

AssemblyLine

June 17, 2018

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Lectionary Texts: 1 Samuel 15:34-16:13; Psalm 20; 2 Corinthians 5:6-10, 14-17; Mark 4:26-34

Welcome to Assembly Mennonite Church

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Worship at 9:30am

WORSHIP

| June 17 | June 24 |
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| Worship leader: <i>Karen Graber Roth</i> Storytelling: <i>Anne Birky, Becky Snider</i> Welcome & tear-down: <i>Maple</i> Playground supervisors: <i>Eric R. Kurtz & Heather Bridger-Ulloa</i> | Worship leader: <i>Wilma Harder and Barb Swartley</i> Storytelling: <i>Oscar Quintana, Craig Glick-Miller</i> Welcome & tear-down: <i>Hug & Food Group</i> Playground supervisors: <i>Tristan Beechy-King & Brian Yoder Schlabach</i> |
| Scripture: <i>Matthew 15:29-39</i> | Scripture: <i>Psalm 98:4-9</i> |

CALENDAR

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| TODAY | June 17 | Blessing of the Bicycles following 1 st hour, North parking lot |
| Thur-Sat | June 21-23 | Central District Conference annual meeting at College Mennonite Church in Goshen |
| Fri | June 29 | 8:30am-1pm Worship Committee retreat |

ANNOUNCEMENTS

assembly life and people

Nayli Kurtz (rising 1st Waterford) turned 7 on June 3! enjoys her Mexican dance class at St John's, gymnastics and piano. She enjoyed learning about math and butterflies at school. She likes to play outside, swim, and pet her cat, and she's looking forward to whale watching this summer!

Toby Mast (Rising 5th, Bethany) turned 10 on June 4! Toby enjoys swimming, riding his bike and rip stick. He likes to read and listen to stories (especially Harry Potter). He enjoys making things and experimenting. With his family he likes to travel, watch movies and visit museums.

Alano Kinglsey (rising 3rd, Rock run) turned 8 on June 8! Alano enjoys learning and performing new magic tricks, swimming, playing tag and soccer. He is a fast runner and is learning to play the guitar and ukulele. He likes to try new skills, listen to stories and mow the lawn with sister.

Luisa Kingsley (rising K, Rock Run) turned 5 on July 12! Luisa enjoys riding her toddle bike, running races and climbing anything! Luisa surprises people by working on her writing and being very brave (especially in the dark!) She likes to dance, sing and mow the lawn with brother.

Tristan Mast (Rising 7th, Bethany) turns 8 TODAY, June 17! Tristan loves to swim and to bike, alone and with his family. He really enjoys working with his hands and building. He recently made his own lathe! He plays viola and enjoys piano lessons as well as going on vacation!

Elisa Kurtz (rising 4th Bethany) turns 10 on June 18! She enjoyed a recent family vacation along the coast of Maine,

has mastered the double back handspring on the gymnastic floor, and is learning to play "The Irish Washerwoman" on the violin. She also likes family bike rides and math.

TODAY is the second Sunday of our summer worship series, *Growing and Tending*. A reminder that there is no separate second hour or Sunday school though children will have special activities during the service. This summer will focus on nurturing the spiritual gifts and fruits of faith. The introduction to this new series can be found attached at the top of this email and paper copies are on the lit table.

The 7th annual Blessing of the Bicycles will happen TODAY, June 17 (weather permitting). If you're able, bike to worship and then join us for a blessing in the north parking lot 15 minutes after worship!

Construction Update! What to expect to see today: New flooring in the North and middle classrooms. Volunteer needs: We have several jobs that need to be done in June and July including painting, cleaning bricks, and sprucing up some of the classrooms. Please email office@assemblymennonite.org if you are able to help!

Kara Shields is looking for volunteers to be interviewed about the congregation for her dissertation project. The interviews take 30-90min and is an open-ended discussion of the congregation. She'd like to hear your view, whether this is your first month at Assembly or your second (or third) decade. (Due to University requirements, only those 18 and up can be interviewed.) There are introductions to the project, copies of consent forms, and sample questions in Kara's mailbox for the curious to take and think about.

Talk to Kara in person at church or email her at jshield5@nd.edu if you have questions. If you are ready to sign up to be interviewed, go to this online calendar to claim a time: <https://jonkarashields.youcanbook.me>.

The congregational meetings for June, July and Sept have been canceled. Congregational meetings are usually held on the 3rd Sun of each month.

Anti-racism resource from Mennonite Mission Network. MMN has produced a video titled "Jesus Wasn't White," along with discussion questions that you may want to use in your small group or elsewhere. <https://www.mennonitemission.net/video/Jesus-wasn't-White>

(repeat) **During summer worship**, children will have the opportunity to use worship response materials during the service following children's time. These items will be located on two shelving units within the worship space and are meant to be used quietly as children sit with their families, and not in clusters of children. One exception is the coloring table, where several people, including adults, may sit together. At the conclusion of response time, please help your child gather any materials they brought to their seat. Check the floor for stray scraps, pencils and pieces of playdough, and return baskets to their proper location.

(repeat) **Assembly Mennonite Church** is seeking two half-time pastoral candidates (each .56 FTE) to join two existing part-time pastors. Details of both positions can be found in the job posting attached at the top of this email and on Assembly's website here. Assembly encourages applications from under-represented groups. Candidates may apply by filling out the Ministerial Leadership Information (MLI) form available at the denominational office of Mennonite Church USA or [online here](#). Completion of this form will include an interview with Central District Conference Minister. If you already have an updated MLI on record with Mennonite Church USA and wish to apply please contact Doug Luginbill at confmin@mcusacdc.org to express interest.

(repeat) **We at Assembly**, along with other area congregations will be hosting the annual meeting of Central District Conference, June 21-23. All are welcome to join for worship times. Nina Lanctot, John Powell, and

Jonathan Larson will be speaking. More info at <https://www.mcusacdc.org/worship/> Assembly is also hosting the Saturday morning snack break. If you are interested in helping with that, please contact James Stuckey Weber at jamesnw@gmail.com.

(repeat) **Hilary Bertsche** and family would like to thank everyone who helped to make Gladys's last days meaningful, and to help make the service celebrating her life such a good experience. Those who shared with food, visits, phone calls and especially your prayers. We thank all who came to the service to sing, pray, and hear stories from her life and faith.

community connections

Join us at Pathways Retreat for a community evening of Solstice reflection and Soul Tending. Wed, Jun 20, 7-8:30pm. Meet Anita Amstutz, author of Soul Tending: Journey into the Heart of Sabbath. There will be opportunities to purchase the book and have your copy signed. Visit www.pathwaysretreat.org for more info.

(repeat) **All are invited to attend** the CDC annual meeting at College Mennonite Church, Goshen, Indiana, June 21-23. Anyone wishing to attend the delegate sessions on Friday, 8:30a-5:15p or Saturday, 10:30a-12p may register [here](#). Registration for the delegate sessions is not required for the following events and the public is welcome to attend. Worship services are on Thur at 7:30p, Fri at 7:30p and Sat at 8:30a. The bike/walk/run event is on Thur at 1p. Registration fee is \$20/person. Register [here](#). The golf outing on Thursday at 10:30a. Registration fee is \$80/person; \$160 for a two-person team. Register at <https://www.mcusacdc.org/golf-outing/>. Mennonite Women's and Mennonite Men's dinners are on Fri at 5:30p. Tickets are \$19/person. Please RSVP: Emma Hartman at office@mcusacdc.org or call 534-1485

(repeat) **Calling all walkers!** Save the date: Sat, Sept 15 for the 10th annual Maple City Walk. Choose from a 10K, half marathon, and full marathon. The course will feature the Pumpkinvine Nature Trail. All participants will receive a medal and be entered into a drawing for a free pair of walking shoes. For more info about the event go to www.cityonthego.org/maple-city-walk/home/ Also, "like" Maple City Walk on Facebook.

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(repeat) **Maple City Health Care Center** is looking for a bookkeeper, 30-40 hr/wk to join our non-profit organization. For more details, please see the job description on our website: mchcc.org. Interested persons should email letter of interest, resume and references to Karen Miller Rush, Director of Finance, karenmr@mchcc.org

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