

Lent: *Everything Belongs*  
Assembly Mennonite Church  
March 9, 2025

### Gathering

VT 422 Called or Not Called, God Is There  
Call to Worship  
Welcome, Birthday Recognition  
VT 432 You, Lord, Are Both Lamb and Shepherd

*Kate Roth*  
*Anna Yoder Schlabach*

### Opening Ourselves

Peace Lamp  
Leader: Let justice roll down like a river  
**People: And goodness like an ever flowing stream.**

*Deb Johnston*

Offering - VT 592 How Firm A Foundation  
Prayer of Confession and Words of Assurance  
VT 673 Our God In Heaven

### Telling God's Story

Children's time  
*Those 3 and under are dismissed for Little Children's time, after which child care is available.*

*Moriah Hurst*

Scripture: Mark 12: 38-44

*Janie Beck Kreider*

L: The stories of God for the people of God

**P: Thanks be to God**

Sermon

*Jodi Beyeler*

### Sharing our Stories

Communion  
Sermon response/Sharing from our lives  
Pastoral Prayer

*Scott Coulter*

### Sending

Introduction of Visitors  
Announcements – *If you have an announcement that pertains to the whole congregation, please get it in writing to the worship leader.*  
VT 636 Spirit, Open My Heart  
Benediction  
VT 1042

**Thanks to:** *Musicians:* Bev Lapp; *Tech Crew:* Phil Good-Elliott and Sean Smuts; *Artwork:* Prints by Michelle Burkholder; *Communion Servers:* Regina Shands Stoltzfus, Brian Roots, Pastoral Team; *Bread Baker:* Cynthia Good Kaufmann

**Second hour:** Don't miss out on the fantastic options for Lent electives! Please take a hot drink to the location of your choice for a prompt start, since electives are only 30-40 minutes in length and end when Sunday school classes dismiss.

Body-Focused Prayer and Meditation - Multipurpose space North (enter from office hallway): Experience body-based prayer/meditation. We will be leading a simple practice each week, with the theme of "everybody belongs."

Some Assembly Required - Multipurpose south near divider wall (NE corner): This classic Assembly elective is for all newish attendees, along with anyone newly curious about how Assembly works and its unique practices and history. This week's topic is Assembly origin stories.

Supporting Local Immigrants and Noncitizens – Want to find out more about how to help undocumented residents and asylum-seekers and the work being done by local organizations to support them? This week's speaker is Zac Bowman Cooke.

Practices for Families - Multipurpose south near exit door (SW corner): What is your language for faith? What kind of prayer can you pray? What rituals do you want to do with your kids? We will explore some of these big questions and give some small steps so this doesn't feel as overwhelming. Come with your stories of what has worked for your family. This week, we will look at seasons (Lent, Advent) and sabbath practices.



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