Lent: Everything Belongs Assembly Mennonite Church April 6, 2025

**Gathering** 

VT 22 What is This Place

Welcome

Call to Worship

VT 137 Holy, Holy,

**Opening Ourselves** 

Peace Lamp Susan Mark Landis

Leader: Let justice roll down like a river

People: And goodness like an ever flowing stream.

Offering - VT 747 We Plow the Fields and Scatter Covenanting: Alton and Lois Longenecker

Prayer of Confession and Words of Assurance

VT 673 Our God In Heaven

**Telling God's Story** 

Children's time Tristan Beechy-King
Those 3 and under are dismissed for Little Children's time, after which child care is

available.

Scripture: Luke 8:1-15

L: The stories of God for the people of God

P: Thanks be to God

Sermon Wilma Harder

**Sharing our Stories** 

VT 297 You Are Salt For the Earth Sermon response/Sharing from our lives

Pastoral Prayer Scott Coulter

Sending

Introduction of Visitors Announcements VT 549 Be Thou My Vision Benediction **Thanks to:** *Musicians*: Leon Bauman, Jim Kaufmann, Wilma Harder; *Scripture Reader*: Kathy Meyer Reimer; *Tech Crew*: Eric Kaufmann and Jep Hostetler; *Artwork*: Prints by Michelle Burkholder

## **Second hour**

<u>Body-Focused Prayer and Meditation</u> - Multipurpose space North (enter from office hallway): Experience body-based prayer/meditation with the theme of "everybody belongs."

<u>Some Assembly Required</u> - 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 "Participatory Worship at Assembly."

<u>Supporting Local Immigrants and Noncitizens</u> – 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? Instead of one speaker, this week we'll hear from a panel to share their experiences housing immigrant families and individuals.

<u>Practices for Families</u> - 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 Show and Tell led by Abby Nafziger-Peterson.



**New to Assembly?** Complete the Assembly Survival Kit questionnaire by scanning the QR code.

Please consider providing some feedback on the electives you've attended by scanning the QR code and filling out the Elective Feedback Form.

