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WORSHIP

Join us on Sundays at 9:30 AM in Person, or on Zoom

May 28

9:30AM Worship & Sunday School

Pentecost and Recovenanting Fellowship Meal

Worship Leaders: Becky Snider, Becky Smuts, Meribeth Shank

Sermon: Lora Nafziger

Scripture: Acts 2:1-21, Psalm 104:24-34, 35b, John 20:19-23

June 4 9:30AM Worship No Sunday school

Beginning of Summer worship 2% Offering Senior "Mugging"

Worship Leader: Steve Wolma **Storyteller:** Maynard Miller Scripture: Luke 10:27-29

SUNDAY MAY 28

9:30am Worship. Click here for Order of Worship. This Sunday is Pentecost and a time of recovenanting! Sunday School classes for children and youth (infants through 12th grade) immediately following first hour.

Noon Fellowship meal The Hospitality Committee requests that households with names beginning with A through L bring a main dish, and M through Z bring a side or salad. Everyone should feel free to bring a dessert in addition. If you prefer to bring something different than requested that's fine; what's important is to have plenty of all types of food. Please label your food with any allergens (including gluten, dairy, nuts), and please deliver your food to the kitchen before worship. Remember to bring table service for your family. The Assembly Green Team will be providing compost buckets for the fellowship meal. There will be 5-gallon buckets near the trash area that are marked for compost. All food products (including meat) and paper napkins may go into the compost. Thank you for helping us reduce waste at our fellowship meals!

Prayer Requests. Please share prayer requests by contacting one of the pastors via email or phone. Prayer requests are sent out to the congregation via the Assembly listsery on Wednesdays.

CHILDREN'S BIRTHDAYS



Kaylee Martin (Rising 5th) turned 10 on May 20! Kaylee likes playing Minecraft, spending time chilling at home, drawing and baking cookies with her mom. She enjoys being on the trampoline. Some of her favorite foods are gum, tootsie rolls, and pepperoni pizza. She likes watching "the owl house." Though she likes talking with her human friends, as an introvert, she likes snuggling with her cats and giving them treats the most!

Heidi Nafziger-Peterson turns 3 on May 26! She is a cuddly, mischievous, strong-willed child. Heidi loves picking out pink and purple outfits, playing with her broth Hans, watching Daniel Tiger, making any kind of art and telling jokes with the word "poop" in them. She also enjoys riding her tricycle, playing with her cousins and listening to music. Her favorite kinds of ice cream are strawberry and chocolate.



COMING UP

https://assemblymennonite.org/about/calendar/

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
May 28	May 29	May 30			June 2	
Pentecost Sunday	Memorial Day	• 7pm Gardening			• 9:30am	
●9:30am Worship	Office closed	group			Greencroft	
•11am Sunday school					meet up	
& Second hour						
●12pm Fellowship						
meal						
June 4	June 5	June 6				
2% Offering	• 4:30 & 6pm: Yoga	• 7pm Gardening				
Senior "mugging"		group				
8am 2% Committee		• 7pm				
• 9:30am Worship		Leadership				
No Sunday School		group				
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SUMMER WORSHIP

Summer Worship begins next Sunday, June 4, and our Sunday morning format changes. During worship, activity shelves are available for children. We hope to have the playground open for the last third of the service for school-age children if we have enough adults sign up for supervision <u>here</u>. There is no Sunday school or 2nd hour during the summer. Also, there will not be hot drinks provided after worship.

Our theme for summer worship is *What is a neighbor?* In a time when our culture has drawn lines, how might we make connections? In an age of loneliness and isolation, how might we give and receive with our neighbors? Can we learn from our many varied experiences with our neighbors? Check your mail boxes next week for a summertime neighbor blessing and click this link for more information.

COMMUNITY LIFE AT ASSEMBLY

Kitchen renovation volunteers needed. Assembly is slowly continuing the renovation of our kitchen. We would like to install new hinges on all the cabinet doors and new runners on all the drawers and are looking for volunteers to come learn from Dana Miller how to do the job, and then do a few doors and/or drawers on their own time. This is a great opportunity to learn how to do a household job from a professional builder! Please email Naomi at naomikr@assemblymennonite.org if you would be willing to help out in this way.

Change in office hours: While school is on summer break, Naomi Roots will be in the office on Friday mornings only. Becky's hours will remain the same – Tues, Thurs, & Fri 9a-12p, 1p-3p.

Sunday morning tasks: Not enough AMCers signed up for tasks last August, so in order to get through to the end of the year we need more volunteers for coffee prep Aug-Dec (<u>sign up here</u>). We also need child care volunteers from Sept-Dec (<u>sign up here</u>), coffee clean up volunteers Aug-Dec (<u>sign up here</u>) and people to lock up the building Oct-Dec (<u>sign up here</u>). There will also be sign up sheets in the Gathering space on Sunday.

Psalm 23 Resources- The children listened to many versions of the 23rd Psalm over the past weeks. Listen to those and more here!

Assembly Mennonite Church Pastoral Team Karl Shelly karlss@assemblymennonite.org 574-621-1037 Anna Yoder Schlabach (on sabbatical) Scott Coulter scottc@assemblymennonite.org 419-535-2918 Lora Nafziger loracn@assemblymennonite.org 574-312-0732 Pastor Emeritae: Lois Johns Kaufmann, Mary Lehman Yoder Elders: Randy Roth (chair), Sandy Fribley, Eric Yordy, Leon Bauman, Sara Morris, Cheryl Shreiner, Ben Good-Elliott Youth Coordinators: Erich Miller, Marlette Gomez Wengerd, Ryan Gomez Wengerd, Gretchen Krause

Administrative Assistant: Becky Overholt (Tues, Thurs, Fri 9am-3pm) office@assemblymennonite.org; 574-534-4190 Church Administrator: Naomi Roots (Mon, Wed, Fri 9am-12pm) naomikr@assemblymennonite.org

Please email announcements to assemblyline@assemblymennonite.org by 11PM local time Thursday for inclusion in the following Sunday's AssemblyLine. To receive the AssemblyLine via email visit https://tinyurl.com/Aline-subscribe.

COMMUNITY LIFE, continued

Weeding and mulching help needed! This Tuesday at 7pm Erich Miller will be leading the weekly gardening gathering in removing invasive species from our native beds around the perimeter of the parking lot, and laying mulch to prevent more unwanted growth. Bring your favorite weeding and mulching tools along with your gardening gloves and help Assembly keep our green spaces beautiful!

Staff out of town: Scott Coulter will be out of town visiting family in Michigan May 26-June 1. Please contact Lora Nafziger or Karl Shelly for any pastoral needs.

Two percent committee will meet June 4 at 8:00 am at the Meeting House. Please contact susanMarkLandis@gmail.com with suggestions or requests, including for public school funds. Remember that we give to established organizations, not individuals. We don't begin programs. Other members on the committee are Barb Swartley, Glenn Gilbert, Barb Hassan, Joel Zwier and Marshall King. (What is the Two Percent Fund?)

GRADUATING SENIORS

Congratulations to our seniors that are graduating this year! Maya Dengler Kaufman, Aidan Ebright Zehr, Alta Good-Elliott, Geoffrey Hochstetler, Chad Kennedy, Teo Kingsley, Yabi Kurtz, and Elena Stutzman.

Open houses:

Geoffrey Hochstetler Wednesday, May 31, 6-9pm at the farm (8794 N Harper Rd, Leesburg)

Teo Kingsley Saturday, June 3 from 4-7 pm at the Reith Interpretive Center, 410 W Plymouth, Goshen Chad Kennedy Sunday, June 4 from 12-5pm at 502 Revere Drive, Goshen

Yabi Kurtz Friday, June 9 from 5-8pm at 201 N 22nd Street, Goshen

Maya Dengler Kaufman Saturday, June 10 from 1-3 pm at 3201 Wakefield Rd, Goshen 46528

Elena Stutzman Sunday, June 11 from 1-3pm at 707 Fair Oaks Drive, Goshen

Alta Good-Elliott Saturday, June 17, 2-5 pm, Goshen College Cabin, 400 Reservoir Place, Goshen

Aidan Ebright Zehr Saturday, June 17, 4-7pm, 63950 Old CR 17, Goshen

IN CASE YOU MISSED IT

Board Members needed: Goshen Montessori Preschool is looking for up to 4 individuals to join their board of directors. You don't need previous board or education experience to apply, but both of those are a plus. You will get a chance to help GMP to continue to deliver a high-quality preschool education to many families in our community! See the job description here. Reach out to Caleb Morris if interested.

Christian Berambaye, who was an IVEPer from Chad working in IT at Goshen College last year and hosted by Lora Nafziger and Mitch Rhodes and family, has been accepted for full-ride tuition scholarship at AMBS for a Master of Arts: Theology and Peace Studies. Christian is expected to cover his living expenses (~\$5,000) and needs half of the money in his account by the end of May. Please watch his video here. Non tax deductible donations can be made directly to Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary designated to Christian Berambaye at this link. If anyone has any difficulties, they can also call AMBS - 574.295.3726 and leave their credit card information with Linsey the receptionist or Teresa in Financial Aid.

EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

Gardening Class Tuesday May 30th from 5:30-6:30pm. Are you a backyard gardener or simply interested in outdoor work, community, and hand tools? Come to Bushelcraft Farm Tuesday evening May 30 from 5:30-6:30 for a hands-on class called: 'Cool Tools! Helpful Hand Tools for Gardening', a partnership class with Seed to Feed and Bushelcraft Farm (directed by Jon Zirkle). Family-friendly tool demonstrations to expand your knowledge of tools you may want to know, borrow, or invest in for gardening. Best for adults and children 10 or older. See bushelcraftfarm.org or Bushelcraft Farm Facebook page to RSVP and learn more. Or contact Jon Zirkle directly. Class is free, donations appreciated.

WIDER CHURCH

Tanzania education aid will be doing another Nelson's chicken fundraiser this coming Saturday, May 27 from 9 AM-2 PM or until we sell out. It will be at Tractor Supply in Goshen. There will be chicken, pork chops, ribs, and potatoes!

Mennonite Disaster Service Family Program Opportunities – June 18-24. Are you looking for a way for the whole family to serve with MDS? We want that too! The MDS Family Program is running in June at the gorgeous Camp Palisades in Idaho! Volunteers will stay in A-Frame cabins, work all together on projects there at the Camp, and have free time to romp around the trails nearby. It's the perfect way to work hard and play hard together, no age restrictions. There is still space for families the week of Jun 18-24! Call or email Alicia Hurst (800-241-8111 or ahurst@mds.org) to get signed up!

2023 Central District Conference Annual Meeting – June 22-24, Goshen College, College Mennonite Church. In person or on Zoom. Find out more and register here. Deadline to register is June 10. After June 10, registration fee increases.

As Assembly begins the process of addressing accessibility in our space & worship, read Waterford Mennonite's insights from their accessibility audit here.

Mennonite Education Agency June prayer requests can be found here.

Mennonite Men's most recent newsletter can be read here.

Mennonite Women USA's most recent newsletter can be read here.

Mennonite Mission Network requests prayer for Odesa Theological Seminary in Ukraine. Pray that courses on trauma healing will equip church leaders to respond with compassion and skill to the millions of people who have lost loved ones and homes due to Russia's invasion.

WIDER COMMUNITY

Jason Potsander Living Celebration of Life Backyard Deck Concert - June 17, 6-9pm

Where: Behind 1013 Wilson Ave, Goshen, IN 46526 (Google Maps does not find me). Potsander House is pumpkin orange, but not visible from Wilson. Only the Potsander's large lowa Hawkeye mailbox is visible from Wilson Ave.

Parking: Please park at Rieth Interpretive Center South Lot. Not Shanklin Lot. Walk 1/4 mile across the historic Red Bridge to my house. Or better yet, bike if you're local. I expect several hundred people, but there is room to spread

Seating: bring a blanket for main audience seating or a chair for peripheral seating

Food: Bring finger food if you can. Plates, water, and lemonade provided.

Festivities: chaperoned trampoline, 5 kayaks and 1 canoe on the Millrace for daring, small wall climbing area, make a 5x8 sharpie colored flag station. Family friendly.

The Band: https://shinyshinyblack.com/

out and come and go as you please.

Playing mostly originals with some requested U2 covers!

If you're really into Shiny Shiny Black also check them out June 4 at GBCO.

Fair Warning: A donation jar will be set out for those who feel led to help offset expenses, but ultimately Jason just wants people to come celebrate this moment with him and his family.

What to expect: Lots of good music and people enjoying life along with a few limited reflections from Jason between a few songs. It will be a good night!

Email questions or if you want to volunteer to help set up. I would not turn down help for last minute details on June 17 and especially helping people park at Reith and walk and find my house from the Millrace. jason.potsander@gmail.com

Summer camps at Goshen College. Check out the broad array for camps for 1st -12th grade children and youth. Each camp lasts one week, and includes meals and transportation. \$50 for each week of camp; scholarships available. See the many options at https://www.goshen.edu/register/summer-camps/ or the poster on the bulletin board.

Volunteer at Ten Thousand Villages! Looking for something to fill a few hours every week? Something that is fun, fulfilling and makes a difference? Ten Thousand Villages, our local fair trade store, is seeking volunteers. At Ten Thousand Villages, your work makes it possible for families to eat, children to go to school and have access to health care. To learn more about this great opportunity to help your neighbors around the world, email goshen@tenthousandvilllages.com. URL: http://bit.ly/ttvg-vol

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

MCC Great Lakes is seeking a Program Director: This role is responsible for the direction and oversight of MCC Great Lakes programs and church engagement. This position is expected to connect with constituent churches, groups, and partner organizations to work together and advance the mission of MCC. The full-time position will preferably be located at one of the main Great Lakes offices, but the location is flexible within the region where MCC is an authorized employer. Bilingual fluency in Spanish and English is preferred. Apply online by June 25 at mcc.org/gl-program-director. For more information, contact Wesley Wilder at Wesley-Wilder@mcc.org.

Bethany Christian School job openings can be found here. **Goshen College** job openings can be found <a href=here. **AMBS** job openings can be found <a href=here. **Other Mennonite Education** job postings can be found <a href=here. **Mennonite Church USA's** job postings are <a href=here.

Current COVID-19 Information (May 23, 2023)

In Elkhart County, Indiana, the <u>COVID-19 Community Risk Level</u> is **Low**. Please join on Zoom if you are feeling sick.

Masks are optional during worship & Sunday school, unless Elkhart County's Community Risk Level becomes "High" – in which case masks will be required indoors for everyone over age 2. We encourage everyone to stay up to date on vaccinations and boosters, and encourage anyone who is not feeling well to join us on Zoom.

Parents should contact Sunday school teachers directly if they are sending kids to Sunday school during days 6 through 10 after a positive COVID test. During this time children are asked to wear a mask during Sunday school and sit apart from the group during snack.

For more information visit https://assemblymennonite.org/covid-19-information/