

WORSHIP

Join us on Sundays at 9:30 AM in Person, or [on Zoom](#)

<p>June 11 9:30AM Worship No Sunday school</p> <p>Worship Leader: Steve Wolma Storyteller: Jerry Lapp Scripture: Romans 13:9-10</p>	<p>June 18 9:30AM Worship No Sunday school</p> <p>Worship Leader: Susan Nelson Storyteller: Adam Graber Roth Scripture: TBD</p>
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SUNDAY JUNE 11

9:30am Worship. [Click here for Order of Worship.](#) This is the second Sunday of Summer Worship. Our theme 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 this Sunday for a summertime neighbor blessing and [click this link](#) for more information.

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 [here](#). **So far this week we do not have enough adults signed up- please consider doing so in order to allow the playground to be available to squirmy children.**

Sharing Prayer Requests. Prayer requests are sent out to the congregation via the Assembly listserv on Wednesdays. If you have something to share with the congregation and are not able to share it on Sunday morning during sharing time, [please fill out this Google Form](#). If you wish a pastor to follow up with you, please contact a pastor directly via email or phone.

CHILDREN'S BIRTHDAYS



Levi Miller (rising 1st Waterford) turned 6 on June 7th! Levi enjoys playing baseball (especially hitting though he is working at catching). He also enjoys playing soccer, swimming and riding his bike. He likes to play tricks on his sister and his favorite foods are pizza and ice cream. His favorite colors are red, gold, yellow, black and white!

Leo Herber (rising 8th GJHS) turned 13 on June 8th! Leo enjoyed school this past year, especially math and STEM. He likes playing tennis and basketball and played on the JV team this year. He plays piano and percussion in band at school and enjoys reading mysteries and eating ice cream. Someday he would like to travel to Europe and speak Spanish.



Alano Kingsley (rising 8th Homeschool) turned 13 on June 8th! Alano enjoys biking and playing tennis. His favorite sport is soccer and he enjoys playing as much as he can. In addition to soccer, this summer he is looking forward to swimming, theatre camp in Bristol, going to Montana (he hopes) and moving back into his house! Some day he hopes to visit Argentina and Paraguay.



COMING UP

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

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
June 11 ● 9:30am Worship	June 12 ● 4:30 Yoga ● 6pm Dance group	June 13 ● 6:30pm Labyrinth walk ● 7pm Gardening group				
June 18 ● 9:30am Worship		June 20 ● 7pm Gardening group		June 22 ● Central District Conference Annual Meeting	June 23 ● 3pm Creative Movement Class ● Central District Meeting	June 24 ● Central District Conference Annual Meeting

COMMUNITY LIFE AT ASSEMBLY

The Two Percent Committee met June 4 and agreed to make the following disbursements. If you have concerns, please contact a member of the committee: Barb Swartley, Glenn Gilbert, Joel Zwier and Marshall King. Center for Community Justice VORP \$1,000, CAPS (Child and Parent Services) \$500, Cora Dale House (Elkhart County Clubhouse) \$1,000, Mosaic Health and Healing Arts \$1,000, Safety Networks \$1,000, Bushelcraft Farm \$1,500, Association for a More Just Society \$500, Community Peacemaker Teams \$1,000, Jubilee Partners \$1,000, Mennonite Central Committee \$1,500, Tanzania Education Aid \$1,000, SEMILLA \$1,000. Maria Wenger (Parkside) was awarded a grant of \$170.75 from the public school funds for a mobile dry erase board. **Almost \$900 remains in this fund to be used before school starts.** Public school teachers are invited to [submit funding requests here](#). The Two Percent Committee places a priority on giving to agencies doing work of relief and reparations that have a direct link to people who are part of our congregation. We take specific requests and recommendations seriously.

Final yoga class: The last yoga class for the season will be Mon, June 12 at 4:30pm only (no 6:30pm class).

Weeding and mulching help needed! This Tuesday at 7pm Julia Gautsche will be leading the weekly gardening gathering in weeding the liriopie grasses outside the main entrance and memorial garden. Bring your favorite weeding and mulching tools along with your gardening gloves and help Assembly keep our green spaces beautiful!

Labyrinth Walk: Join Meribeth Shank, certified labyrinth facilitator, on Tuesday, June 13 at 6:30pm on the labyrinth in Assembly's memorial garden. We'll walk together after a brief introduction to the labyrinth as a meditation tool and conclude with a chance to reflect together after the walk. If it rains, we'll walk indoors using a small canvas labyrinth, in Assembly's multipurpose space. Contact Meribeth Shank with any questions.

Kids ages 4-8 are invited to join us for our FREE June Creative Movement Class on Fri, June 23, from 3:30-4:30pm. This month's theme is Wild Water, and we will be outside for some water play. Come prepared to have fun and get wet! Please [register](#) before 6/16 to reserve a spot. Contact Sara Morris with any questions.

Suko's Farewell – June 25 from 2-4 pm at Assembly. Ten Thousand Villages Goshen invites all who want to wish Suko Ncube well to a reception at Assembly. Suko has been volunteering at Ten Thousand Villages this year with IVEP (Mennonite Central Committee's International Volunteer Exchange Program). There will be light refreshments and drinks as well as a space for you to provide notes or small, non-monetary gifts for Suko.

Vacation Bible School! Join Assembly and other area churches Jul 31-Aug 3 from 5:30-8pm at Silverwood Mennonite Church as we learn to bring about change in our world today! Changemakers Lab an interactive VBS where children learn that everyone can make a difference in the world! The Bible stories in this curriculum explore examples of people who experienced and brought about change in the world around them. These people provide a model for asking hard questions, working together to solve problems, reaching across differences, and imagining a new world! Ages: Rising K - Rising 6th Graders [Register here by July 9th](#)

Sign up to read the full version of the Assemblyline each week: <https://tinyurl.com/Aline-subscribe>

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:

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

WIDER CHURCH

2023 Central District Conference Annual Meeting will be held June 22-24, at Goshen College, College Mennonite Church. (Assembly is a member of the Central District Conference of Mennonite Church USA). Read a preview of the annual meeting in [the May issue of the conference Connector newsletter](#). Find out more and register [here](#). After June 10, the registration fee increases.

Climate Summit. Mennonite Church USA is hosting a collaborative Youth & Young Adult Climate Summit, July 7, 2023, at the Kansas City (Missouri) Convention Center. The event will bring together experts in climate change, spiritual activism and social justice to explore the ways that young people ages 14 to 25 can put their faith to work to address the spiritual and human crisis caused by climate change. Register here: mennoniteusa.org/news/climate-summit

MennoCon23! Mennonite Church USA's leading faith formation event, in Kansas City (Missouri) Convention Center, July 3-6, 2023, will host a variety of engaging exhibitors throughout the week-long convention. The 26 exhibitors will include Anabaptist organizations, colleges and missions. Read more here: mennoniteusa.org/news/mennocon23-exhibitors-opportunity

At the MC USA Delegate Assembly July 7-8, 2023 in Kansas City, delegates will vote on resolutions re: (1) changing the MC USA Delegate Assembly to a 3-year cycle, (2) changing the status of Everence and Mennonite Health Services Association from "program agencies" to "ministry partners". More information can be found [here](#). Leon Bauman, Scott Coulter, and Lora Nafziger will be attending as delegates from Assembly.

The Anabaptist Community Bible Project has received study notes from 593 Bible study groups, including three groups from Assembly. 64% of these groups represent MC USA & MC Canada. As work on the project continues, please pray for the artists providing illustrations (Lisa Oberik, Dona Park, Randy Horst, Matthew Regier), and for John Roth, Mollee Moua, and the rest of the editorial team and all those preparing content for the Anabaptist Community Bible. [Learn more here.](#)

Learning with the Anti-Racism Team at Raleigh Mennonite Church – "You are invited to join members of Raleigh Mennonite's anti-racism team as we review our year exploring anti-racist worship practices and share what we learned along the way." Join Monday June 12 at 7pm Eastern on Zoom for a 75-minute report. You will have time to ask questions and add your own observations. Join on Zoom [via this link](#).

Mennonite Mission Network praises God for the ministries of Elena, Freddy and Mathías Satalaya in Bolivia and Peru. They are jointly supported by Virginia Mennonite Missions. Pray for the Satalayas as they begin several years of study in the United States.

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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>.

EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

LaCasa is offering FREE classes in person and on Zoom, on Mastering Your Money, Mastering Home Ownership, Mastering Credit, and Mastering Debt. Visit www.Lacasainc.net/classes for more information and to register.

Learn about Mennonite Central Committee's work in India: Join us for an MCC Alumni & Friends Gathering on June 19 to hear from Manjula Patnaik, MCC India sector coordinator for justice and peace. Patnaik has worked with MCC in India for more than 30 years and will share stories about MCC's program with people on the journey amidst trauma and healing. Join MCC staff and host Ron Byler, former MCC U.S. executive director, for this free event on Monday, June 19 at 11 a.m. EDT at the Jennings Auditorium at Greencroft Retirement Community (1820 Greencroft Blvd. in Goshen).

Just Peace Pilgrimages: Join Mennonite Mission Network on a pilgrimage. There are three types of tours: Racial Justice Pilgrimage, Christ at the Border Pilgrimage and Solidarity with Indigenous Peoples Pilgrimage. For more information, click [here](#).

Community Peacemaker Teams Delegation to Colombia – June 24 to July 3. "Human Rights, dignity and land: A call from the mining and farming communities of Northeast Antioquia." In this delegation, you will share with communities and grassroots organizations that resist violence and oppression, building peace day by day. You will hear directly about their commitment to a dignified life based on respect for Human Rights, and you will be able to discover how you can be part of the change. (You will also learn to sleep in a hammock and scare away mosquitoes). It will be a transformative learning experience. More information can be found [here](#).

AMBS Church Leadership Center lifelong learning offerings can be viewed [here](#).

Anabaptist Short Course Bundle. Deepen your understanding of Anabaptist history, thought and witness through discussion-based online short courses from Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary! Learn about topics such as Anabaptist approaches to Scripture, peace and justice in the Bible, and transforming congregational conflict. Take four noncredit online courses in 2023–24 for only \$995 total and save more than \$400. (The regular price is \$350/course.) No grades, no papers! Each course lasts six weeks. CEUs available. ambs.edu/bundle

WIDER COMMUNITY

Hesston College alumni and friends are invited to join several college representatives at Maple Indian Cuisine in Goshen for complimentary food and quality fellowship on Fri, June 16 from 5-6:30pm. This event will include a brief college update and comments from Hesston College President Dr. Joseph A. Manickam and VP of Advancement Dr. Rachel Swartzendruber Miller. For more details and registration information please visit the Hesston College alumni and friends webpage at www.hesston.edu/alumni or call the alumni office at 620-327-8147. RSVP today so we can see you soon!

Pathways Retreat is offering three new retreats in August & September: Living that Matters for Men, Shake off Stress, and Renewing Your Spirit in Nature. Find more information at pathwaysretreat.org or in their most recent [newsletter](#).

Call for Volunteers! 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@tenthousandvillages.com.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Seeking an Admissions Counselor. Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary in Elkhart, Indiana, is accepting applications for this 0.5 FTE position. The person in this role will serve as a member of the AMBS Admissions Team, recruiting and working with prospective students from the U.S., Canada and across the world and connecting with church leaders and alumni about AMBS programs and offerings. See the full job description: ambs.edu/jobs

Bethany Christian School job openings can be found [here](#). **Goshen College** job openings can be found [here](#). **AMBS** job openings can be found [here](#). **Other Mennonite Education** job postings can be found [here](#). **Mennonite Church USA's** job postings are [here](#).

Current COVID-19 Information (June 9, 2023)

In Elkhart County, Indiana, the [COVID-19 Community Risk Level](#) is **Low**.

Masks are optional. Please join on Zoom if you are feeling sick.

We encourage everyone to stay up to date on vaccinations and boosters.

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