

AssemblyLine

July 29, 2018

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Lectionary Texts: 2 Samuel 11:1-15; Psalm 14; Ephesians 3:14-21;
John 6:1-21

Welcome to Assembly Mennonite Church

1201 S 11th St, Goshen, Indiana 46526

574-534-4190 / office@assemblymennonite.org

Worship at 9:30am

WORSHIP

July 29	August 5
Worship leader: <i>Marlette Gomez</i> Storytelling: <i>MYF</i> Welcome & tear-down: <i>Nameless & Cardinal</i> Playground supervisors: _____ & _____	Worship leader: <i>Deanna Risser</i> Storytelling: <i>Katie Schramm, Donna Sensenig</i> Welcome & tear-down: <i>Here & There</i> Playground supers: <i>Mary Beechy-King & Lisa Rose Martin</i>
Scripture: <i>Ephesians 2:11-22</i>	Scripture: <i>Jeremiah 29:4-7; Psalm 85</i>

CALENDAR

Thur Aug 2 5:30 & 6:30pm Children in Worship Parent/Child Orientation
Sun Aug 5 11:15am Sunday school teacher/assistant orientation (following 1st hour)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

assembly life and people

Norah Osborne (rising 4th, Parkside) turned 9 on July 28! she loves sports (soccer and basketball), horses, and all things Harry Potter. She eats brussel sprouts with abandon and loves doing projects at home and with friends. She can also do a backflip into the water from the dock!

TODAY we continue our summer worship series, *Growing and Tending*. A reminder that there is no separate second hour or Sunday school. This summer will focus on nurturing the spiritual gifts and fruits of faith; this week's theme is "Kindness".

Construction Update! What to expect to see today: The start of steel structures. What is planned for the next week: Steel structures will continue to go up. Volunteer needs: We have another painting party led by Penny Yarman on Mon, Aug 13 starting at 8am. Please join if you are able!

There are no playground supervisors this Sunday. Please be sure that your children are not out on the playground unsupervised, especially during 1st hour.

Teacher/Assistant orientation: All 2018-19 Sunday School teachers and assistants, join us for a brief orientation after 1st hour on Aug 5. We will go over details about teaching at Assembly as well as information about roles in the classroom and new systems for our renovated space. Looking forward to seeing you there. The Christian Ed Committee

The 2018 Fall series starts Sun, Aug 12. The topic is sexuality, and the introduction can be found attached at the top of this email. Hard copies are on the lit table.

Assembly meetinghouse classrooms have a new numbering system! A map of this numbering system is attached at the top of this email (to help orient you, the numbers start South and move counterclockwise around the building so that the offices are the highest numbers). The doors have all been labeled, feel free to look around!

Assembly's Children in Worship (K & 1st) classrooms are looking for two lamps, ideally for a shelf, but one floor lamp would also be welcome. Email pebersole.zwier@gmail.com if you have one to donate.

Eunice Brenneman's address has changed: 1725 Juniper Place #208 Goshen. Email and phone remain the same.

Please join us in honoring Lacasa's retiring president/CEO Larry Gautsche, who has served as CEO for 17 years, at a public open house. The open house will be held on Fri, Aug 3 from 4:30-7 pm at Gaining Grounds Coffee House, [114 E Lincoln Ave, Goshen, IN 46528](http://114ELincolnAveGoshenIN46528). At 5:30pm, Senator Blake Doriot and Mayor of Goshen Jeremy Stutsman will each present Gautsche with a state and local award. You can RSVP and read more on our [Facebook event page](#).

Small Group Derailed will be hosting a Baby Shower for Daniel and Ally Mast, Sun Aug 19 from 3-4:30pm at their home. ([1726 Berkey Ave, Goshen IN 46526](http://1726BerkeyAveGoshenIN46526)) Please carpool or bike as there is very little parking. (Parents of small children, be aware that there is a pool in their backyard so extra supervision is needed.) They plan to purchase cloth diapers and would be grateful for gifts of money to offset the cost. If you prefer tangible gifts, they are registered at Target and Amazon. Just use one of their names to search. They request that gifts not be wrapped or use recycled materials to wrap.

Greta Lapp Klassen will spend a gap year volunteering with MCC SALT (Serving and Learning Together) in Santa Cruz, Bolivia. She will be working as a tutor and general assistant with one of MCC's partner organizations. Greta begins orientation in Akron, PA on Aug 15 and will return to the US in early July 2019. Assembly's prayers are greatly appreciated. If interested in supporting Greta's MCC term financially, see this page:

<https://donate.mcc.org/registry/greta-lapp-klassen-bolivia>

A letter to Assembly from Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary is attached at the top of this email with updates on AMBS's previous year and current updates.

Central District Conference's June issue of their newsletter, Reporter, can be viewed [here](#). Hard copies can be found on the lit table.

(repeat) **MCC Needs:** Due to the needs of refugees we will be switching to making more hygiene kits this year. Johanna Sutter is willing to do the shopping again. With her experience she can find good savings – the cost of a hygiene kit comes to about \$5. We will also make some school kits which cost about \$3. If you write a check to cover expenses for either kit make it out to Assembly Mennonite Church with "MCC Kits" on the memo line. Cash can be put in an envelope and go in the offering or be given directly to Johanna.

community connections

First Presbyterian Church (215 E Lincoln Ave, Goshen) is hosting a free organ concert by Yukari Kobayashi of Japan TODAY, July 29 at 2:30pm. This concert will be of particular interest to those who love J.S. Bach. More info can be found attached at the top of this email.

Please make plans to join The Window and LifePoint Church for a hearty First Friday dinner, Aug 3 from 4:30-7pm, unless the food runs out. LifePoint Church will be serving grilled BBQ chicken, cheesy hash brown bake, green beans, rolls, along with brownies, cookies and more for dessert. Coffee and water will also be provided. The cost for this meal is a suggested donation of \$9, and as always, all proceeds benefit The Window's programs.

For those interested in the Indiana prison system, there will be very informative presentation on Sun, Aug 5 at 6pm

at College Mennonite Church. Details about the presentation and two presenters can be found attached at the top of this email.

Evergreen Singers to present benefit concert: The Evergreen Singers will present a concert to benefit the Center for Healing & Hope on Sun, Aug 12, at 3pm, at the Plymouth United Church of Christ, 902 S. Main Street in Goshen. The concert is open to all at no charge; a free-will offering will be taken to support the Center's urgent medical care for people who are uninsured and advocacy programs for our immigrant neighbors.

Join us at the MCC Great Lakes Open House on Tue, Aug 21. You are invited to stop by our office in The Depot building in Goshen for an informal time of conversation and fellowship with MCC Great Lakes staff. At 4pm, there will be MCC updates from J. Ron Byler, MCC U.S. Executive Director, as well as stories from Great Lakes programs around the region. For more information and to register, visit mcc.org/gl-open-house or RSVP to 574-534-4133 or GreatLakes@mcc.org and indicate whether you would like a tour of the Material Resources Center warehouse.

Sustainability Assistant at Camp Friedenswald, Voluntary Service Position: Camp Friedenswald is seeking a candidate to serve as Sustainability Assistant for Sept 2018 – Aug 2019 (exact dates are flexible). The Sustainability Assistant will aid in implementing organizational goals related to increasing education for sustainability, reducing energy use, reducing waste, increasing sustainable food sources, and increasing biodiversity. Specific duties will include teaching outdoor education classes, helping with ecological restoration projects at Camp, and tracking metrics related to goals mentioned above. Benefits include free housing in a beautiful setting and utilities, monthly stipend, flexible work schedule, and the opportunity to be a part of a fabulous team working to create resilient and sustainable change. For more information contact Amy@Friedenswald.org or call 269-476-9744.

The Mennonite Church USA Archives office is seeking applications for an Archives Assistant, currently a half-time and temporary position from Aug 2018 to July 2019. The Archives Assistant will help facilitate the daily operations

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of the denominational archives and records management center. He/she is responsible for providing reference assistance, assisting with the arrangement and description of historical records, performing general clerical work, and managing statistical information about archival operations. B.A. degree, preferably in History, Religion, Spanish or German. We are committed to diversity among staff and welcome people of diverse backgrounds and abilities to apply. To request a copy of the job description and an application form, contact HR@MennoniteUSA.org or call [316-281-4257](tel:316-281-4257).

(repeat) **All are invited** to the installation service for Glen Guyton, which will take place Sat, Aug 18 at College Mennonite Church in Goshen. More information: <http://mennoniteusa.org/news/glen-guytons-installation-as-mc-usa-executive-director-to-take-place-in-august/>

(repeat) **Would you be interested** in learning from and sharing a cultural experience with a young person from another part of the world? Mennonite Central Committee has International Volunteer Exchange Program participants, Deus from Tanzania and Abhinav from India, who will be working at Merry Lea Environmental Center and Veada Industries respectively from August 2018 through July 2019. A host family is needed to provide a private bedroom within their home, and serve as a bridge to church, community, activities and places of interest. A monthly stipend of \$350 is available for the host family to assist with the basics of food, toiletries and household expenses. If you are interested and would like more information about being a host for Deus or Abhinav contact Brooke Strayer at brookestrayer@mcc.org or 534-4133.

(repeat) **SEMILLA** is looking for extra funds this year. Normally the anabaptist seminary in Guatemala is fairly self-sustaining, but two university groups scheduled for this year failed to recruit sufficient students and cancelled. This will create a shortfall of \$85,000 between July and Dec. There is a DVD in the AMC library that tells SEMILLA's story. Feel free to view it if you'd like to learn more.

(repeat) **This summer** as you are going through your quilting/craft materials, remember that The Sewing Box at the MCC Michiana Relief Sale is a great place to donate fabric lengths, extra skeins of yarn, quilt blocks, quilt or

craft books and magazines, quilt patterns, stencils & frames, unfinished projects, quilt tops or blocks, embroidery floss, sewing notions. Contact Anita Snyder at 574-642-4422, for more info or to arrange pickup, or bring your items directly to the Sewing Box building on the sale grounds on Fri morning, Sept 21.

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