

AssemblyLine

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Lectionary Texts: Ruth 3:1-5; 4:13-17; Psalm 127; Hebrews 9:24-28; Mark 12:38-44

Welcome to Assembly Mennonite Church

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Worship at 9:30am, Sunday school at 10:45am

WORSHIP

November 11

Worship leader: *Gretchen Krause*
Preaching: *Sarah Turner*
Welcome & tear-down: *Auklet & 8th St+*

Scripture: *1 Corinthians 11:17*

November 18

Worship leader: *Susan Nelson*
Preaching: *Kay Bontrager-Singer*
Welcome & tear-down: *Ad Lib & Alpha*
Licensing and installation of Anna Yoder Schlabach

Scripture: *2 Kings 4:8-17*

CALENDAR

TODAY	Nov 11	JYF gathering
Wed	Nov 14	6:30-8:30pm Small Group Childcare at meetinghouse
Tue	Nov 27	7:15pm Small Group Reps meeting

ANNOUNCEMENTS

assembly life and people

Layton Rothshank (Bethany 4th) turned 10 on Nov 7! Layton enjoys playing soccer, outdoor games and camping. Highlights from his 9th year of life: visiting the boundary waters over the summer, going to Disney Epcot Center, and visiting Sleeping Bear Dunes with his dad for his birthday.

TODAY is the 3rd Sunday of the 2018 Fall Bible study themed Hospitality. This week we focus is "What does open communion look like?" An intro to this worship series and the current 2nd hour electives is attached at the top of this email.

Construction Update! What to expect to see today: A full array of solar panels on the roof. A painted house and garage at 1202 S 11th. A south entrance that you are allowed to enter and exit. It's not pretty (yet), but it's safe as long as you keep your hands to yourself.

Pledge forms were due last week, Nov 4th. If you forgot, you will have another chance to turn them in during the offering time TODAY. We create a spending plan for 2019 using these pledge forms, so each one is important.

The 2019 calendars of Hospitality and Childcare Tasks are nearly complete! We still need people to sign up for worship space set up, 1st hour childcare, and kitchen clean up. If you can help with one or two of these tasks, email office@assemblymennonite.org.

While we usually have a Congregational Meeting on the 3rd Sunday of each month, there will be no Congregational Meeting in November.

The Goshen Community Chorale, in collaboration with Goshen College, is sponsoring an Alice Parker Celebration Concert at 7pm on Sun, Nov 18, at College Mennonite Church. The noted composer, conductor and teacher, Alice Parker, is coming to Goshen for this event. The Chorale will be performing Parker's "Melodious Accord" cantata, with harp and brass quartet, and four other local choral groups will also be singing. Bill Mateer is directing the Chorale and a number of other Assemblyites will also be involved. There is no admission charge, all are welcome.

The Row One ensemble, with third year conductor Jeremiah Chico, will have a benefit concert to raise funds for Refugee Relief Kits on Dec 13 at 6pm at Assembly. They will be performing excerpts from the Messiah, Mendelssohn's Elijah, Les Misérables, and more. Come support refugees and enjoy an evening of music and fun!

(repeat) **Anna Yoder Schlabach** was confirmed as the pastor of Pastoral Care and Worship at last week's congregational meeting, and she accepted the offer! Anna started on Nov 1 and you can now reach her at her new email: annays@assemblymennonite.org.

(repeat) **Tom Kauffman's** last day as Assembly's bridge pastor was Oct 31. If you wish to contact Tom in the future, he still has the same cell phone number (419-343-4363) but you can also reach him on his personal email address (tekbentrider@gmail.com). He will no longer be using his Assembly email address and will eventually discontinue it.

(repeat) **It's that time of year** again! You can now get your favorite fruit from Kercher's and support the Goshen

High School music program! Orders are open from now until Nov 12, and fruit will be delivered between Dec 1 and Dec 7. Money will be due on delivery. To order, look on the round table in the common area TODAY. For more information, look for any GHS music student!

(repeat) **The Goshen Farmers' Market** (GFM) is hosting a fundraising dinner in conjunction with Goshen Brewing Company (GBCo) on Thurs, Nov 15, 3-9pm. A portion of the funds raised will provide matching funds for SNAP recipients. (If someone uses \$10 of SNAP benefits at the GFM, they are able to purchase \$20 of produce.) Make a \$30 donation to the GFM before the event and you will receive one free farm-to-table charcuterie board with: Cheese, cured meats, and pickled vegetables sourced from GFM vendors; Baguettes by Anna's Bread; Dessert by Rachel Shenk. Go to goshenfunded.com/farmersmarket to donate. GBCo will sell charcuterie boards for \$35 on the night of the event, so donate in advance and save! Live music by The Dawg Band from 6-8 pm. Talk to board members/AMCers Patrick Coonan, Jeanne Liechty, Matt Lind, or Ally Mast for more info.

(repeat) **Sherlock Holmes and the Case of the Christmas Goose** will be presented Nov 16-18 at Bethany Christian Schools. This is a family friendly holiday show. Join Sherlock and Watson in this caper around the streets of London, and be ready to join in a little caroling! Tickets, \$9 for adults and \$7 for students, may be reserved at bethanycs.net/tickets. Online sales will close at noon on Fri, Nov. 16. AMCers include Jordana Farran, Naomi Klassen, Clara Lind and Xudong Sun

(repeat) **Thanks to the volunteers** who have attended the Goshen Interfaith Hospitality Network (GIHN) trainings! Please let Susan know if you plan to attend the Nov 30 training, which includes info about the program and how to host, along with a presentation about mental health by Kevin Farmwald. **ALL VOLUNTEERS** must have their background check completed by Jan 1. You'll find forms in Susan Mark Landis' mailbox. If you have had a background check before, just tell Susan. Thanks!

(repeat) **NEW ways to help** at GIHN: donating cleaning supplies, garbage bags and TP; picking meals up at Faith Mission in Elkhart and bringing to St. Mark's; providing

transportation and mentoring. And plain old monetary donations continue to be needed. Talk to Susan Mark Landis for more info.

(repeat) **FOR RENT:** 314 E. Purl St., Goshen. 2 Bed, 2 bath with high efficiency furnace and central air. 1 car garage. Close to library, Chandler and High School. Available Dec 1. Contact Larry Gautsche 370-9631 or lgautsche7@gmail.com

community connections

Mennonite Mission Network, an international faith-based service agency, is seeking a full time Director for Marketing and Communication. The position will be based in our Elkhart, IN office outside of South Bend. This position will lead the MarCom team and shape the agency's communications. Responsibilities include developing the agency marketing plan and ensuring a system for efficient internal and external communication flow. A bachelor's in communications, public relations or marketing fields is preferred. Five years' experience related fields recommended. View the position description at www.MennoniteMission.net and send cover letter and resumé to StaffRecruitment@MennoniteMission.net

(repeat) **"May God grant you peace** that you may know no further sorrow." Read the letter to Rabbi Myers, Tree of Life Congregation, Pittsburgh from Glen Guyton, executive director of MC USA at mennoniteusa.org/letter-rabbi.

(repeat) **Join us for a Comforter Bash!** Make plans to join us on Nov 9 and 10 for the Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) Great Lakes Comforter Bash in Goshen. People of all ages are invited to knot comforters at Pleasant View Church (58529 County Road 23). For more info about the event visit mcc.org/comforter-bash or contact Carol Honderich at 536-9062. A handmade comforter provides warmth and a tangible message to people that needs are not forgotten.

(repeat) **Visit Bethany on Nov. 12 or 14:** Students in grades 5-10 are invited to shadow a Bethany middle or high school student on Mon, Nov 12; and on Wed, Nov 14, students K-4 are invited to visit grade 4 and 5 classrooms with a parent for the morning. For more info, to register, or to schedule a visit on another date see www.bethanycs.net.

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(repeat) **Pathways Retreat** (309 1/2 Hackett Rd, Goshen) invites you to join us in noticing and being intentional during the Advent season with our Advent Intentionality series. This prayer includes scripture, silence and optional coloring. Kay Bontrager-Singer, facilitator. Friday mornings, 8-8:30am, Nov 30, Dec 7, 14, 21. www.pathwaysretreat.org

(repeat) **For the 16th year**, Ruth and friends will be hosting a Victorian Christmas Tea with proceeds benefiting our Soup of Success program. Ruth Rockwell, a retired nurse, loves all things Victorian and came up with the idea of hosting a tea as a way to give back to the Elkhart community. "There is so much need right here in Elkhart," Ruth says, "especially for women who are alone. That's why I love supporting Soup of Success because many of the participants are women trying to make it on their own. Women need to help other women." [Read more](#)

(repeat) **The Pathway's Retreat's** November newsletter is now available. [click here](#) for the newsletter.

(repeat) **Anabaptist Disabilities Network (ADN)** has some big shoes to fill. We need your help in the search to find the right fit. ADN is looking for the person God is calling as our new Executive Director, someone to lead ADN into a future where individuals with disabilities fully belong and fully participate in the Body of Christ. ADN is searching for someone who will promote this vision among Anabaptist congregations, personally represent ADN with donors and supporters, solicit gifts, and provide oversight to ADN staff and programs. Are you this person? Do you know someone who might fit this role? You can see the complete job description [here](#).

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