

AssemblyLine

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Lectionary Texts: Isaiah 6:1-8; Psalm 138; 1 Corinthians 15:1-11;
Luke 5:1-11

Welcome to Assembly Mennonite Church

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

WORSHIP

February 10	February 17
Worship leader: <i>Small Group Ad Lib</i> Sermon: <i>Wilma Harder "Attention to Perspective: looking past the surface"</i> Welcome & tear-down: <i>Derailed Fellowship Meal</i> Scripture: <i>Luke 5:1-11</i>	Worship leader: <i>Anna Yoder Schlabach</i> Presentation: <i>Goshen College's Parables</i> Welcome & tear-down: <i>Cantaloupe</i> Scripture: <i>Psalm 130 and 139</i>

CALENDAR

Sat	Feb 9	Memorial Service for Carolyn Schrock-Shenk 1pm at the Meetinghouse
TODAY	Feb 10	12pm Fellowship Meal 12-3pm JYF Movie at Ebright Zehr house
Wed	Feb 13	6-8pm Small Group Childcare at Meetinghouse
Sun	Feb 17	Goshen College's Parables during 1 st hour 7pm Congregational Meeting
Sat	Feb 23	3-5pm All ages board game event at Meetinghouse

ANNOUNCEMENTS

assembly life and people

Kiki Smuts (1st Chandler) turned 7 on Feb. 8th! Kiki's wishes to someday have a dachshund puppy. Kiki likes to read "all the books" and especially Jack and Annie. She likes playing with her brothers and watching movies with her whole family. She is working on her handstand!

Zakai Dengler Kaufman (6th GMS) turns 12 on Feb 11! Zakai likes snow and winter a lot! He hopes to be able to sled at his birthday party next weekend. He enjoys all kinds of technology, chess, reading science fiction and playing board games. Zakai plays piano and percussion.

August (Auggie) Nafziger-Rhodes turns 3 on Feb 13! Auggie loves all kinds of music, especially Jazz and Music together. He enjoys playing with his "big boys", digging in the snow or mud and listening to stories read by Grandma Jan. He enjoys greeting people with a hello or handshake.

It is with deep sadness that share the loss of our sister in Christ, Carolyn Schrock-Shenk, who died surrounded by family and friends early Wed morning. Cards can be sent to Carolyn's sons Caleb and John at 517 South 3rd St Goshen IN 46526. The visitation and Memorial service are to be held this weekend: Visitation on Fri, Feb 8 from 2-4pm and 6-8pm, and Memorial Service on Sat, Feb 9 at 1pm, both to be held at Assembly's meetinghouse and will be live streamed, link to be found [on our website](#) by Sat morning.

TODAY we continue our Stewardship Series of Attention. During 2nd hour we will participate in lectio divina singing with Jeannie Brunk and Mary Lehman Yoder. Following 2nd hour, we will share in a fellowship meal. Please bring plenty of food to share along with plates and utensils for your household.

Update your contact information with Assembly by checking in at the round white table in the gathering space TODAY. Please correct or add info on the clipboard. Also, Paul Reimer will be taking pictures for [the photo directory](#) TODAY. Find him if you'd like your picture updated. You can also email a digital photo of your household to office@assemblymennonite.org to have your picture added.

If there are children who are interested in a musical transition between first hour and Sunday school, they are welcome to join Marna Mateer for singing in the classroom right across from the worship space (3A). They will be dismissed following the sermon. Children will sing together and those who wish will sing in worship in spring.

Small group reps met on Feb 4 and received instructions from Lois Kaufmann for this year's Leader Selection process as well as information about the important issues discussed at the last congregational meeting. If you want to know more, ask your small group rep.

Newish attenders: Did you introduce yourself several months ago but still feel new? Have you been attending between two months and two years*? Are you in that awkward stage between “just checking us out” and “maybe ready to commit to a mailbox?” Anna, Karl or Lora (the pastoral team) would love to meet with you and learn to know you and answer any questions that you might have. Please e-mail any one of us to set up a time for low stakes, no commitment conversation. (Our e-mails are at the bottom of the Assemblyline) *This time frame is arbitrary, if you fall outside of it and want to meet with one of us, you are most welcome to do so.

Hi Assemblyites, I'm attending Pastor's Week at AMBS at the end of Feb and need a place to stay. The easiest for me would be near the bus line (along Main Street and then College Ave). Dates are Feb. 24-28 (4 nights). No meals necessary. If this is something you could offer, please contact me at kristine.regehr@gmail.com or 574-349-7053. Thanks! Kristine Regehr

The Everence Sharing Funds provided \$1,999.61 in matching funds to our church last year. Everence Matching Funds support special needs in our church and local community. Examples include LaCasa Help A House, medical emergencies, temporary loss of income and housing issues. Eric Yordy serves as the Everence advocate for our congregation. Please contact him for more info.

Bible school 2019 has a new date: please note it is not the first week of June, as in past years. Bible school will take place June 10-14. Please mark your calendar and join us!

(repeat) **The Goshen Community Chorale** will begin rehearsing for its upcoming spring season on Tue, Feb 12, at College Mennonite Church, beginning at 7pm. Featured works will be Haydn’s “Lord Nelson Mass” and the Handel Coronation Anthem “The King Shall Rejoice.” Brian Mast and Bill Mateer will be providing leadership for this event and a number of Assemblyites will be involved. The Chorale welcomes new members and interested persons can contact Bill, at (574) 533-2562 or mateers@aol.com.

(repeat) **Goshen Schools** are looking for reading camp volunteers. Volunteers meet for 8 weeks with 1-2 2nd grade students for 1 hour on Tue and/or Thur afternoons from 3-

4pm. If you are interested feel free to check with a local public school or ask Penny Yarman for more details.

(repeat) **Mindful Movement & Contemplative Prayer** is a class that pairs simple yoga sequences with different forms of contemplative prayer and Gestalt awareness experiments, facilitated by Sara Klassen. No previous yoga experience is needed. Tuesdays, Feb 5 - Mar 5, 5-6pm in the Retreat House at Pathways Retreat (309 1/2 Hackett Rd, Goshen). Please register at www.pathwaysretreat.org.

community connections

On Sat, Feb 16, Goshen College student winners of the 58th annual Concerto-Aria competition will perform with the GC Symphony Orchestra, conducted by José Rocha. The concert begins at 7:30 p.m. in the Music Center's Sauder Concert Hall. Tickets are \$12 adults, \$8 seniors/students, and are available online at goshen.edu/tickets or at the GC Box Office.

Upcoming Goshen College Performing Arts Series concerts include Seraphic Fire with American Brass Quintet (\$40/\$35/\$25) on Tue, Feb.19 at 7:30pm, and Academy of St. Martin in the Fields (\$50/\$45/\$35) on Wed, Feb 27 at 7:30pm. More info and tickets are available at goshen.edu/tickets or at the GC Box Office.

Registration is now open for the 18th Annual Goshen College Conference on Religion and Science, Mar 29-31, 2019, featuring Dr. Katharine Hayhoe, an evangelical Christian, atmospheric scientist and climate change expert. Dr. Hayhoe will offer two free public lectures on Fri, Mar 29, 7:30pm and on Sat, Mar 30, 10:30am. A third lecture for registered conference attendees will take place on Sun, Mar 31. These lectures will take place in Goshen College’s Church-Chapel. Learn more and register at goshen.edu/religionscience/

MCC's Sharing With Appalachia People (SWAP) program is seeking volunteer groups, individuals and summer staff. Make your summer plans now to join SWAP in Kentucky or West Virginia. SWAP is also looking for summer staff to serve as job site coordinators and meals coordinators/cooks for three-month assignments. For more information about bringing a group to SWAP or serving as summer staff, visit swap.mcc.org.

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(repeat) **Pathways Retreat** (309 1/2 Hackett Rd, Goshen) invites you to Praying with Creation, a prayer time to listen and meditate in and with nature, with others. Facilitated by Deron Bergstresser, this prayer practice arises from a deep desire for connection and care of the environment. Friday mornings, 8:30-9:15am. There is no cost or registration; meet at the welcome gate. www.pathwaysretreat.org

(repeat) **The Goshen College choirs** will give their Winter Choral Concert on Sat, Feb 9, at 7:30pm in the Music Center's Sauder Concert Hall. Performing are the Chamber Choir, Men's Chorus and the Women's World Music Choir, each will perform individually and as a large joint chorus. Tickets are \$8 adults, \$6 seniors/students, and can be purchased at goshen.edu/tickets or at the GC box office.

(repeat) **Join David L. Clough, Ph.D.**, on this stop of his North American speaking tour in support of his groundbreaking two-volume work *On Animals*, on the place of animals in Christian theology and ethics. Chapel: "Finding Our Place in God's World" Tue, Feb 12, 11:45am-12:15pm. AMBS Chapel of the Sermon on the Mount. Event is free, open to the public. [More info here.](#)

(repeat) **On Tue, Feb 12**, five Goshen College students will compete in the annual C. Henry Smith Peace Oratorical Contest at 7pm in the college's Umble Center. The students will each deliver a 10-minute speech on their chosen topic relating to peace, with a reception and an announcement of the winners to follow. This event is free, open to the public.

(repeat) **Bethany Visit Opportunities** are a great way for prospective students and families to see Bethany Christian Schools in action! [Grades 4-5 on Feb 13](#): Parents may bring children K-4 to visit the grade 4-5 classrooms from 9:30-11am. [Grades 6-10 on Feb 18](#): Students in grades 5-10 interested in exploring Bethany can shadow a Bethany student, 8:40am-3:30pm. Parents are invited to an 8:45-9:15am coffee and conversation followed by an optional tour at 9:15am. For more info, to register, or to schedule a visit on another date see bethanycs.net/visit.

(repeat) **All are welcome** to Iona Healing Prayer on Thur, Feb 21 at 7pm in the Retreat House at Pathways Retreat (309 1/2 Hackett Rd, Goshen). Using the same service outline that happens at Iona Abby, this is an opportunity to

pray for loved ones, our hurting world, and also receive prayer for yourself if you wish. www.pathwaysretreat.org

(repeat) **Camp Friedenswald** Spring Creativity Weekend: March 8-10. [Art Retreat](#): Judith Wenig-Horswell, print-making: Develop your skills no matter what level. We'll be learning print making using the gelatin print process which results in monotypes (single image prints), and exploring the beauty of the woods around us. [Crafting Retreat](#): Whether you scrapbook, sew, quilt or craft, we invite you to join us for a relaxing weekend filled with good food and fellowship. Come alone or bring friends or family. The beautiful surroundings of the peaceful woods and the creativity of others at this retreat will inspire you! Cost: \$160 Register Today at friedenswald.org/retreats

(repeat) **New resources are available** for [exploring and engaging with MC USA's structure](#). Read MC USA Executive Director Glen Guyton's three-part series on "The Little Green Dove" at <http://mennoniteusa.org/littlegreendove> and watch the new video series at mennoniteusa.org/polityvideoseries.

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