

AssemblyLine

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Welcome to Assembly Mennonite Church

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

WORSHIP

March 17	March 24
Worship leader: <i>Karl Shelly</i> Sermon: <i>Marshall King</i> Welcoming & tear-down: <i>Hygge</i>	Worship leader: <i>Lora Nafziger</i> Sermon: <i>Michael Miller</i> Welcoming & tear-down: <i>Hug</i> Fellowship Meal following 2nd hour
Scripture: <i>Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18; Psalm 27; Phillip 3:17-4:1; Luke 13:31-35</i>	Scripture: <i>Isaiah 55:1-9; Psalm 63:1-8; 1 Corinthians 10:1-13; Luke 13:1-9</i>

CALENDAR

TODAY	Mar 17	7:30pm	Congregational meeting
Wed	Mar 20	6:30pm	Intergenerational Lenten retreat (RSVP to loracn@assemblymennonite.org)
Sun	Mar 24	12pm	Fellowship meal following 2 nd hour
Tue	Mar 26	7:15pm	Small Group Repts meeting
Wed	Mar 27	6-8:30pm	Childcare at meetinghouse for Lenten groups
Wed	Apr 3	11:30am	Women's Lunch Bunch

ANNOUNCEMENTS

assembly life and people

Adam Siemens Rhodes (7th Bethany) turned 13 on March 12! He is busy with music (piano, choir, band), and was glad for the box drum birthday present because percussion is his favorite. He's also an avid reader (working through the H. Potter series again), and savored his favorite meal on his birthday – haystacks!

TODAY is the 2nd Sunday of Lent. This year's Lent theme is *Holy Longing, Holy Feast*. See the intro attached at the top of this email or on the lit table for more info. If your household would like to mark Lent in a tangible way, consider picking up a purple and ivory colored chain packet, or a "no-plastic" calendar on the round white table in the gathering space to count down to Easter. Next week we will share a fellowship meal together.

A reminder that children will be dismissed for singing after the sermon during sharing time. All children ages 5-5th grade are invited to participate.

Anna Yoder Schlabach is travelling with family March 16-23 please contact Karl or Lora for pastoral needs.

Congregational meeting TODAY, Mar 17, at 7:30pm. Come hear a proposal for audio & video use at Assembly. We will continue the conversation about finances, theology, and values which was raised at the Feb meeting.

Bill Mateer was involved in a bike accident on Mon. He had (successful!) surgery on his knee Tue and was released on Thur. A meal schedule has been arranged for Bill and Marna, and [you can access it here](#).

The Shreiner Landes family meal schedule has been extended to help them out while Wendel travels next week and the rest of the family continues to adjust to Cora's new type 1 diabetes diagnosis. Sign up to take them [a meal here](#).

This coming Wednesday, March 20th at 6:30 pm take time to observe Lent with others in the Assembly community at an intergenerational Lenten. The event will be one hour with multi-sensory prayer stations that include pretzel making and painting. All ages welcome! To ensure there are enough materials, RSVP loracn@assemblymennonite.org

Former Assembly-ite David Cortright was a party to an important U.S. Appellate court case, Cortright v. Resor, in 1970, when he and members of the Army Band sued the army over their First Amendment right to protest the Vietnam War. A re-enactment script was created by the Hon. Denny Chin of the U.S. Court of Appeals, and will be presented Monday, March 25, in Notre Dame's Patrick F. McCartan Courtroom. This event is free and open to the public, and a complimentary lunch will be served following the event. More info at <https://tinyurl.com/yyfcmftj>

All women are invited to attend Lunch Bunch at 11:30 Wed, Ap 3 at the Greencroft Community Center. Helen Glick will be showing pictures and sharing about her recent trip to the southwest: Snow or No! We will have a salad for lunch. To sign up and request a lunch, contact Halen at helenliechtyglick@yahoo.com or 330-763-4980 before Friday, March 29.

Tina Schlabach, pastor at Shalom Mennonite in Arizona, and friend of Assembly, is inviting people to learn more about the immigration work they are doing in their congregation: <https://shalommennonite.org/> She invites you to follow [this link](#) to the Go-Fund-Me site to get more information and possibly support an effort to raise bond for an immigrant currently detained. The money raised will go for her release, and when returned by the court will be applied to future bond needs for others. Thanks for your consideration!

(repeat) **Thanks to all** who joined us for our pancake dinner on Shrove Tuesday. 87 people were there and after expenses we donated \$71 for the building fund!

(repeat) **Please come to support** the benefit fundraiser for Goshen Interfaith Hospitality Network: Empty Bowls Soup Project at the Farmer's Market March 23 5-8pm. \$15 includes a meal and a handmade bowl. 12 different kinds of soup, vegetarian and gluten free options available.

community connections

High school seniors: Apply and get admitted to Goshen College on Instant Admit Day, March 30, to receive up to \$16,000 right away. Plus, find out what other scholarships and grants you are eligible for (our average financial aid package is almost \$26,000!). Why else apply on Instant Admit Day? Your application fee will be waived, you'll get an admission decision on the spot, and you'll be entered to win one of three \$500 GC Bookstore vouchers. Plus, receive a GC T-shirt! It's easy: Just bring along your unofficial transcript (including test scores) to campus between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. at the Welcome Center. Learn more at goshen.edu/instant.

Please join Michiana Mennonite Economic Development Associates (MMEDA) for our March Business Tour of New Horizons Aviation at the Goshen Municipal Airport

-- Sat, Mar 30, at 8:30am. Our morning will begin with a hearty buffet breakfast at Dandino's in Goshen. Then we will travel just a few miles south to the airport on CR 42 where Roger Yoder and Dave Hawkins will share some of the history and changes they've had at New Horizons Aviation. Several airplanes and the flight simulator will be on display. Please RSVP by noon on Tue, Mar 26, to info@michianameda.org or call/text 574-355-3607. Cost is \$5 for students, \$15 for Michiana MEDA members, and \$20 for others, payable at the door.

Join MCC Great Lakes for a week-long Pipeline to Prison learning tour on Aug 4-9. Based in Goshen, Ind., the tour will focus on the challenges and complexities of the U.S. criminal justice system and include day trips to South Bend, Elkhart, and Bunker Hill, Ind. Participants will journey from the local community level through the criminal justice system, learning about law enforcement, sentencing, incarceration and re-entry. All who are interested in learning about disparities in the justice system, including those working in or seeking to develop a prison/re-entry ministry, are welcome. For more information and registration visit mcc.org/gl-pipeline-to-prison or contact Juan Sebastian Pacheco Lozano at JuanPacheco@mcc.org or 574-534-4133.

(repeat) **Goshen High School Musical** GHS is performing *Annie* on March 16 at 7:30 p.m. and 16 & 17 at 2:30 p.m. Reserve tickets at musictickets@goshenschools.org.

(repeat) **Berkey Avenue Mennonite Fellowship** welcomes you to a special Lenten Jazz Vespers service "To This You Have Been Called". Sun, Mar 17 4-5pm. 2509 Berkey Ave.

(repeat) **Beating Guns:** Join MCC in welcoming Shane Claiborne and Mike Martin, authors of the new book *Beating Guns: Hope for a people who are weary of violence*, on Wed, Apr 10 at 6pm at Maple City Chapel for an evening of lament and education around violence involving guns. Inspired by the biblical call to "beat swords into plowshares," the 90-minute event will feature a live transformation of a gun into a garden tool, speakers, music and stories. Tickets are free and open to the public, but registration is required. Register at beatingguns.com/tour by clicking on the Eventbrite link for the Goshen location. Direct any questions to Jes

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Stoltzfus Buller, MCC Peace Education Coordinator,
at JessicaBuller@mcc.org.

(repeat) **Well-being for all.** Mennonite Healthcare Fellowship Annual Gathering June 21-23 at Laurelville Mennonite Church Center in Mount Pleasant, PA. More info at mennohealth.org/gathering or email info@mennohealth.org to join the update email list.

(repeat) **Do you know high-school aged youth** with gifts for leadership and ministry? The !Explore program at AMBS provides students in grades 10-12 with a summer experience designed to expose them to the world of theological ideas, encourage growth in spiritual practices and biblical engagement and foster in them a call to vocation in the church. The program includes a 100-hour congregational internship and a Group Experience (July 9-25). !Explore is open to youth from all backgrounds, so we encourage you to think of those both inside and outside of traditional Mennonite circles. We would love to be in touch with anyone who wants to know more about the program! Application forms are available at ambs.edu/explore.

(repeat) **Peace Camp:** Mennonite Central Committee Great Lakes is offering a week-long Peace Camp July 21-26 for young adults ages 18-22 who are interested in learning about a Biblical approach to peace and justice. During Peace Camp, young adults will explore the theme of "Responding to Violence" through hands-on learning. The week includes a trip to Chicago with MCC partners working with gun violence prevention. Other focus topics include conflict transformation, anti-racism, bystander training and restorative justice. The base participant fee is \$300, and scholarships are available on a case-by-case basis. For more information and registration, see mcc.org/gl_peace_camp or contact either Jes Stoltzfus Buller (MCC Peace Education Coordinator) at jessicabuller@mcc.org or Juan Pacheco (MCC Great Lakes Peace and Justice Coordinator) at juanpacheco@mcc.org.

(repeat) **Merry Lea Environmental Learning Center of Goshen College** is seeking an executive director. This position is related to the work of Mennonite Creation Care Network because Merry Lea is one of MCCN's two sponsoring organizations. The executive director of Merry

Lea serves as a sponsor representative on the MCCN Creation Care Council. The position is located in Wolf Lake, Ind., and is available beginning July 1 2019. [See job description.](#)

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