

# AssemblyLine

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**Lectionary Texts:** Acts 1:1-11; Psalm 47; Ephesians 1:15-23; Luke 24:44-53

## Welcome to Assembly Mennonite Church

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

## WORSHIP

June 2	June 9 Pentecost
Worship leaders: <i>Small Group Auklets</i> Sermon: <i>Peter and Mary Graber "Compassion, Completeness &amp; Canaries"</i> Welcoming & tear-down: <i>Cantaloupe</i> <b>2% Offering</b>	Worship leaders: <i>Anna Yoder Schlabach</i> Sermon: <i>Lora Nafziger</i> Welcoming & tear-down: <i>Asabado &amp; GFBOL</i>
Scripture: <i>John 17:20-26</i>	Scripture: <i>Acts 2:1-21</i>

## CALENDAR

TODAY	June 2	Blessing of the bicycles following 2 <sup>nd</sup> hour
Tue	June 4	6:30pm Leadership Group meeting
Sun	June 9	Pentecost, 1 <sup>st</sup> service in our new space, Fellowship meal following 2 <sup>nd</sup> hour
Sun	June 16	1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday of Summer worship 7pm Congregational meeting
Fri-Sat	June 20-22	Central District Conference annual meeting in Milwaukee, WI

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### assembly life and people

**Nayli Kurtz (rising 2<sup>nd</sup> Waterford)** turns 8 on June 3! Nayli enjoys practicing and performing with her Mexican folkloric dance group. She also likes piano lessons and playing soccer with her dad. Nayli is really excited about horse camp and swimming this summer.

**Eli Kauffman (rising 3<sup>rd</sup> Waterford)** turned 8 on May 27! Eli likes to read anything at all. He loves to play soccer. He is eager to go to Kansas this summer and to see his cousins. His favorite foods are pizza and sushi. He likes to go out to eat with his family and to go swimming with them.

**TODAY** we continue our Eastertide worship series. The theme is Extending the Table. Introduction to this worship series can be found attached at the top of this email and hard copies are on the lit table. During 1<sup>st</sup> hour we will be hearing from Mary and Peter Graber from Anabaptist Disabilities Network. During 2<sup>nd</sup> hour we will have a chance to hear more from Peter and Mary.

**Building updates:** This week was full of Fire inspection and fire inspection fixes, floor in the current worship space and renovations beginning the in library.

**Small group reps** met last Tuesday and discussed new information regarding the proposal to rent space to Goshen Christian Montessori School. Ask your rep for details, and see the updated handout attached to e-version of the A-line.

**Roxy Gehring** (recent GC grad) will be covering Naomi in the Assembly office from June 3-mid July while Naomi travels. Her schedule will vary a bit though she will likely be in the office every Tue and Wed if you need to catch her in person. She can be contacted the usual ways: [office@assemblymennonite.org](mailto:office@assemblymennonite.org) or 574-534-4190.

**On Pentecost Sunday**, June 9, we will celebrate the annual ritual of recovenanting, as well as communion, during 1<sup>st</sup> hour. The celebration will continue with a fellowship meal after 2<sup>nd</sup> hour. Please bring festive and fiery foods to share, as well as your own table service. You are also invited to wear red or other fiery colors to celebrate.

**Our Pentecost celebration** June 9 will include the dance "Prayer for Peace". We're inviting Assembly kids to make the celebration bigger and more colorful by picking up a scarf and joining the chorus. Many of you will remember this song from Children in Worship (Peace before us, peace behind us, peace under our feet...) but you don't need to know it in order to participate. You won't need to learn any special steps or get up in front of everyone--the plan is to fill the worship space with movement and color. This doesn't require advance practice, but we'd like everyone joining us to be at the meetinghouse by 9am that morning. Please see Linda Schlabach Miller or Michael Miller if you have any questions.

**Help support Roxy's MVS work:** Roxy Gehring will be moving to Alamosa, Colorado at the beginning of August to start a year of Mennonite Voluntary Service. She will serve as the Restorative Justice & Mediation Coordinator at the Center for Restorative Programs. Mennonite Mission Network asks that congregations support volunteers through prayer, communication, and fundraising. To help support Roxy's service financially, you can go to <https://app.mobilecause.com/vf/Gehring> and donate any amount.

**A note from Nadia Shank** to Assembly updating us on her health and requesting employment help and continued prayers is attached at the top of this email.

**The mailboxes are in their place** but slightly out of order. Please be patient! We will shuffle the mailboxes by Fall.

(repeat) **At the congregational meeting** we made a decision to name Lois Kaufman and Mary Lehman Yoder Pastor Emeritus. We also heard and discussed a proposal regarding sharing space with Goshen Christian Monestori School. See the proposal with FAQs that came up at the meeting at the top of the email. An update was given about the ways the first half of our tithe money was distributed through Join Hands (a subgroup of MennoniteMen). Attached at the top of this email is information about the two churches that were supported by this tithe money.

(repeat) **New Assembly Sharing and Prayer listserv.** This summer we are trying out a new way to stay connected, with a weekly e-mail for Assembly Sharing and Prayers. If you would like to receive this weekly e-mail, you will need to [subscribe here](#). Anyone is welcome to send prayer requests to [office@assemblymennonite.org](mailto:office@assemblymennonite.org) and the Sharing and Prayer list will go out Wednesdays. This will NOT include sharing from Sunday. If you are sharing a prayer request on behalf of someone in the congregation, you must have their permission. We see this as a way to pray for each other when summer attendance is lower, and since not everyone is on the Assembly third hour facebook page, this is a way to widen the number of people who know about things. It is also a way for people who may not be comfortable sharing on Sunday mornings to let the congregation know significant things in their life.

(repeat) **The following are proposed** distributions by the 2 Percent Committee for May 2019: Local: Goshen Interfaith Hospitality Network (menstruation kits) - \$690; Goshen Farmers Market (Share the Bounty) - \$690; Goshen Ministerial Association - \$690; The Window - \$690; ADEC - \$690. World: MCC Great Lakes (Infant Care Kits) - \$200; Tanzanian Education Aid - \$800, Christian Peacemaker Teams - \$800; Mennonite Central Committee - \$850; Mennonite Disaster Services (Puerto Rico) - \$800. Committee members are Sandy Fribley, Sarah Horst, Annika Miller, Dave Ostergren, Jose Rocha, Joel Zwier, Phil Good-Elliott (chairperson).

(repeat) **Sign your kids up** (ages 4 years old-6th grade) for Bible School. June 10-14, 9-11:30am. Located at College Mennonite Church <https://forms.gle/xWB5jysFsPC5ytNR9> Talk to Sarah Horst with questions or to volunteer.

(repeat) **Need a summer babysitter?** Contact Sophia Yordy: 574.349.5991.

(repeat) **Central District Conference's** May edition of their monthly newsletter, Reporter, can be read [here](#) and hard copies can be found on the literature table.

## community connections

**Calling all walkers!** It's time to start training for the 11th annual Maple City Walk which will be held Sat, Sept 21. Choose from a 10K, half marathon, or full marathon. The course will feature the Pumpkinvine Nature Trail, including the new section between CR 33 & CR 20 for the marathon course. All participants will receive a medal and be entered into a drawing for a free pair of walking shoes. For more info about the event including registration, course map, and walking tips, go to [www.cityonthego.org/maple-city-walk/home/](http://www.cityonthego.org/maple-city-walk/home/) Also, "like" Maple City Walk on Facebook.

**Mentorship Peace Camp** Sept 6-8 at Camp Friedenswald: Calling all mentor/mentee pairs and others interested in building connections, learning about peacemaking in an immersive setting and having lots of camp fun! Join Mennonite Mission Network's Peace and justice Support Network and Mennonite Central Committee for hands-on learning. Cost \$100. More info at [mcc.org/peace-camps](http://mcc.org/peace-camps)

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(repeat) **First Friday meal at The Window** 4:30-7pm June 7. Suggested donation of \$9. Come enjoy Grilled brats and burgers, potato salad, coleslaw, and cookies.

(repeat) **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](http://mcc.org/gl-pipeline-to-prison) or contact Juan Sebastian Pacheco Lozano at [JuanPacheco@mcc.org](mailto:JuanPacheco@mcc.org) or 574-534-4133.

(repeat) **Fall Retreats** at Camp Friedenswald: there are several retreats to enjoy this fall including Women's Retreat Sept 20-22, Men & Boys Retreat Oct 18-20, and Craft Retreat Nov 1-3. [See our website](#) for more info.

(repeat) **It's planting season** and Church Community Services needs volunteers to help our Seed to Feed program! We need: Help planting transplants and seeds, and putting up trellises for tomatoes, etc. in our garden next to CCS, Help watering in the greenhouse and outside on weekends, Help weeding and doing garden maintenance in June & July. Contact Jen at [volunteer@churchcommunityservices.org](mailto:volunteer@churchcommunityservices.org) or 574-295-3673 x112 if you can help!

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