

# AssemblyLine

July 7, 2019

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**Lectionary Texts:** 2 Kings 5:1-14; Psalm 30; Isaiah 66:10-14; Psalm 66:19; Galatians 6: (1-6), 7-16; Luke 10:1-11, 16-20

## Welcome to Assembly Mennonite Church

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

## WORSHIP

July 7	July 14
Worship leader: <i>Glenn Gilbert</i> Storyteller: <i>Martin Hofkamp</i> Welcoming & tear-down: <i>Cashew &amp; Almond Joy</i>	Worship leader: <i>Kathy Meyer Reimer</i> Storyteller: <i>Jon Zirkle</i> Welcoming & tear-down: <i>Hug</i>
Scripture: <i>Psalm 30</i>	Scripture: <i>Psalm 82</i>

## CALENDAR

Tue-Sat July 2-6 Mennonite Church USA Convention (Kansas City)  
TODAY July 7 10am Worship at Oxbow, picnic lunch

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### assembly life and people

**TODAY, July 7**, we will gather at Ox Bow County Park for worship at 10 am followed by a picnic. Please bring a blanket or chair and picnic foods to share, plus any needed serving utensils and your own table service. We will meet at the Stable shelter, in the northwest corner of the park.

**The spillway is closed, and so we cannot use the main park entrance.** We will need to enter at the Service Center (near Ox Bow Elementary School). See Legend G on this [map](#) for the service center, and Legend 7 for the Stable shelter. Due to the inconvenience there will be no entrance fee. The shelter is reserved until 8pm for those who wish to linger after lunch, and the park is open until 9pm.

**Your pastors are travelling.** Anna is with family and then attending MennoCon19 in Kansas City and will return July 6. Karl is also in Kansas City, returning July 6. Lora is on vacation July 4-8<sup>th</sup>. While all three are away, July 4-6<sup>th</sup>, Mary Lehman Yoder will be available for pastoral emergencies.

**Pray this week** for people of all ages attending MennoCon19, the July 2-6 MC USA convention in Kansas City, Missouri, Assembly's delegates are Wilma Harder, Karl Shelly and Anna Yoder Schlabach.

**New address and phone number for Merritt and Ruth Ann Gardner:** 1801 Greencroft Blvd, Apt 343, Goshen, IN 46526. 537-4790.

**Jeremiah Chico and Sharayah Miller** are in the cast at Wagon Wheel, Warsaw, performing Les Miserables, school edition. This is Wagon Wheel's summer high school musical. There is only one performance, Saturday, July 13,

at 1:00. Tickets are \$12.00. Call 574-267-8041 for tickets. For more information talk to Jeremiah, Sharayah, or Naomi Chapman.

(repeat)**Miriam and Hugo Miller Avelar** are visiting family in Mexico City and have just learned that Hugo's brother and partner are pregnant with their third child. Surprise!! They are feeling overwhelmed financially and trying to find ways to cut costs with this new little one due in October. If anyone has cloth diapers they are finished with, get them to Dana or Linda Schlabach Miller. Linda is traveling down to visit Hugo's family on July 14 and could take an extra suitcase saving shipping costs. Miriam, Hugo, Israel and Paola thank you.

(repeat)**Deb and Steve Johns** have new email addresses. Deb: [deb@catlover.com](mailto:deb@catlover.com); Steve: [stevenrayjohns@gmail.com](mailto:stevenrayjohns@gmail.com)

### community connections

**Lights for Liberty:** A Vigil to End Human Detention Camps will be held Friday, July 12th, at the Elkhart County Courthouse, in Goshen, from 8pm-9:15pm. You are invited to join us and stand in solidarity and allyship with communities most impacted by the abuse of our immigration system. At the event, we will hear from people directly affected by the immigration system, those who work with them, about our country's history of family separation, and ways we can help those affected.

**MCC Great Lakes** is excited to offer a unique training opportunity for individuals to explore and engage with the legacy of colonialism and understand the intersecting history between Native people and European settlers. This training will use the framework of the Doctrine of Discovery to explore the taking of land from Indigenous

people, which led to the justification of the global slave trade. Participants will be equipped with a number of educational tools which they can utilize to further educate others on the Doctrine of Discovery. Led by Michelle Armster, Erica Littlewolf, and Karin Kaufman Wall from MCC Central States, the training is open to all who are interested in the ongoing work of education and awareness-raising on these issues. It will be held August 25-27 with the Sunday evening public event, Loss of Turtle Island, at Waterford Mennonite and the following two days of training at Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary. The registration fee is \$50. For more information and registration, visit [mcc.org/gl-dod](http://mcc.org/gl-dod) or contact Kelly Shenk Koontz at [kellyshenkkoontz@mcc.org](mailto:kellyshenkkoontz@mcc.org).

**Find news, highlights and photos from MennoCon19** in The KC Sauce, where we've compiled all our coverage from the week: <http://mennoniteusa.org/kcsauce>.

**Joining an ecumenical and interfaith coalition effort**, Glen Guyton, executive director of MC USA, signed on to the Religious Leaders Statement on Child Deaths in Detention. You can read the letter here: [mennoniteusa.org/news/religious-leaders-statement-on-child-deaths-in-detention](http://mennoniteusa.org/news/religious-leaders-statement-on-child-deaths-in-detention).

**AMBS Spiritual Direction: Foundations.** Cultivate your ministry of spiritual direction through *Spiritual Direction: Foundations*, the first level of our supervised program. This hybrid course (with classwork online and on campus at AMBS) will help you grow in confidence and competence as a spiritual director. Early registration deadline: July 12. [ambs.edu/seminars](http://ambs.edu/seminars)

**Volunteer with SWAP:** Sharing With Appalachian People (SWAP) is a program of MCC Great Lakes, addressing multiple challenges of low-income families in Appalachia, including home repair and personal need. Groups of all ages are an essential component of SWAP's ministry. Fall is a great time for adult volunteer groups and homeschooled families. Please consider forming a group, large or small, to come and experience a week at one of the locations in West Virginia or Kentucky. For more information go to <https://mcc.org/get-involved/serve/volunteer/swap> or call Angela Maggard at

606-633-5065. You can also check out the latest newsletter at <https://mcc.org/media/resources/8302>

**The Center for Healing & Hope** seeks a half-time communication director to manage print and email communication and to collaborate on digital and social media communication. Requirements include strong writing, editing and design skills along with experience in working with Creative Cloud software, managing websites and marketing. The emphasis is on communication in English; understanding of Spanish is helpful. To apply, send a letter of application and résumé to Bryan Mierau, executive director, at [bmierau@CHHclinics.org](mailto:bmierau@CHHclinics.org).

(repeat)**First Friday meal at The Window** 4:30-7pm July 5. This month's meal will be hosted by Executive Director Ed Swartley. Come enjoy Ed's famous chicken enchiladas, green beans w/ bacon, and cottage cheese pie. Suggested donation of \$9.

(repeat)**The 2019 Central District Conference annual meeting** hosted by the CDC West congregations at Milwaukee Mennonite Church, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, June 20-22, 2019 is now history. Our theme was 'Come, walk with us. . . to God knows where!' A summary of actions that were taken can be found at <https://mcusacdc.org/annual-meeting-2019/>

(repeat)**Mennonite Central Committee Central States is now collecting Immigration detainee care kits.** When people who have been placed in immigration detention centers are released, they often have nothing more than the clothes on their backs. Kits containing clothing and hygiene products can help to rebuild their dignity as they are taken to bus stations and airports to reconnect with their families in the U.S. Please visit [mcc.org/immigrationkit](http://mcc.org/immigrationkit) for all the details of what goes into the kit and how the kits will be distributed. It is one small way we can share Christ's love with our neighbors. All kit supplies and financial donations should be sent directly to MCC Central States 121 E. 30<sup>th</sup>, PO Box 235, North Newton, KS 67117. To help MCC purchase immigration detainee care kit supplies and cover transportation costs for the kits, checks should be made out to MCC with "CS Kits" in the memo line. Questions? Please contact MCC Central States at 316.283.2720.

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(repeat)**Help make a difference in our community** by volunteering with the Center for Healing & Hope. The Center continues to care for those who otherwise have no access to health services. We need a few more volunteer physicians and nurses to assist us in our urgent and chronic care services. Please call Sandra at 574-534-4744 or enroll as a volunteer online at [chhclinics.org/volunteer](http://chhclinics.org/volunteer)

(repeat)**MCC Appalachia seeking program coordinator (deadline extended):** MCC Great Lakes is looking for an Appalachia Program Coordinator to provide overall direction and supervision of MCC's work in the Appalachian region in eastern Kentucky and southern West Virginia. Specifically, this Program Coordinator will help with the primary program Sharing With Appalachian People (SWAP), a home repair ministry that provides service and learning opportunities at three locations. The Program Coordinator reports to the Executive Director for MCC Great Lakes in Goshen. Apply online for this opening by July 15 at [mcc.org/get-involved/serve/openings/appalachia-program-coordinator](http://mcc.org/get-involved/serve/openings/appalachia-program-coordinator). For more information contact Amber Falcón at 574-534-4133 or [AmberFalcon@mcc.org](mailto:AmberFalcon@mcc.org).

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