

AssemblyLine

July 14, 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 14	July 21
Worship leader: <i>Kathy Meyer Reimer</i> Storyteller: <i>Jon Zirkle</i> Welcoming & tear-down: <i>Hug</i>	Worship leader: <i>Barb Swartley</i> Storyteller: <i>Mitch Rhodes</i> Welcoming & tear-down: <i>Shine</i>
Scripture: <i>Psalm 82</i>	Scripture: <i>Psalm 15</i>

CALENDAR

TODAY July 14 9:30am Worship

ANNOUNCEMENTS

assembly life and people

Elias Magatti (rising 3rd, Parkside) turned 9 on June 29th! Elias enjoys swimming, spending time with his parents, brothers and cousins and social studies at school. He is learning how to play tennis and is excellent at sleeping and laughing! Elias enjoyed attending Friedenswald for camp!

Emery Beachy-King (rising 1st, Parkside) turned 7 on July 6th! Emery enjoys soccer, her friends and arts and crafts. She made her own DJ set out of cardboard including CDs! She has a wild imagination, loves reading and puzzles with her parents and playing "I'm gonna get ya" with Atticus!

Ira Siemens-Rhodes (rising 4th, Bethany) turned 9 on July 9! Ira is reading "A Series of Unfortunate Events" and looking forward to watching the movie when he's done. He's enjoying the Xbox and the foosball tables at the Boys & Girls Club. He anticipates playing percussion.

Ben Smuts turned 2 on July 9! Ben enjoys playing with trucks and cars, blocks, balls, and his siblings and parents. He enjoys eating and trying new foods. Ben also enjoys reading books, taking trips, and loving on his parents and siblings.

Congratulations to Michelle and Nick Miller-Good and great grandparents Glenn and Marilyn Miller on the birth of Theodore David Miller- Good on July 3! He was 19 inches and 6 lbs 11 oz. All are doing well and enjoying baby snuggles. There will be an opportunity to welcome the family by providing meals. Look for details in the assemblyline next week.

TODAY we continue with summer worship. We will gather at 9:30am as usual, and worship until 11am. There is no separate second hour or Sunday school though children

will have special activities during the service. This summer will focus on the transitions we are experiencing and how they transform us. The introduction to this new series can be found attached at the top of this email and paper copies are on the lit table. Our summer series will end on Sun., Aug 4.

It is with joy that the Pastoral Search Committee and Leadership Group share the news that we have a candidate of choice, Scott Coulter, for the Pastor of Congregation Life and Hospitality. His candidating weekend will be August 2-4 and more details will be shared as those plans are finalized. You can read more about Scott in the attachment above.

Wanted – host home from August to February for an International Visitor Exchange Program (IVEP) trainee from Egypt. Ereny Botros is a 25 year-old woman who will be working at Elkhart County Clubhouse. IVEP is a program of Mennonite Central Committee. Ideally, we'd like a home in Goshen within walking, biking or public transportation distance of down town. The hosts should be able to serve as a bridge for the IVEPer to church and community activities, helping the IVEPer to develop social contacts and integrate into life in Goshen. Hosts should treat the IVEPer as a member of the family, encouraging them to join in cooking, cleaning, activities and events. Hosts receive \$350/month to help cover expenses. Contact Brooke Strayer from MCC at 534-4133 or Rich Meyer from Elkhart County Clubhouse at 202-3920 if interested.

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

(repeat)**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.

community connections

Please join the Fellowship for Protestant Ethics for a public lecture by Dr. Willie James Jennings author of *The Christian Imagination: Theology and the Origins of Race*. Jennings' talk "After Whiteness: Embracing the Virtue of Refusal" will explore the prospects and limits of Christian ethics in the face of anti-black ideological deformation. The event will be held on Saturday, July 27th from 4:30 pm to 6:00 pm at The Episcopal Cathedral of Saint James ([117 N Lafayette Blvd., South Bend, IN 46601](http://www.episcopal-cathedral.org)).

Several spots still available to join MCC Great Lakes for a week-long Pipeline to Prison learning tour on August 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.

Want another chance at summer camp? Camp Friedenswald has a Summer Camp for Grown-Ups from August 16-18! Anyone post-high school is welcome to join for a relaxed weekend with friends, food, swimming, Capture the Flag, popcorn campfire, and more. We offer tiered pricing so cost won't keep anyone from enjoying the peaceful woods. See [here](http://www.friedenswald.org) for more information or to register.

Since announcing David W. Boshart, Ph.D., as the candidate of choice, we have heard both affirmations and concerns. We are now entering a time of extended discernment. We seek your ongoing prayers for the

process. To send input to the search committee, write to AMBSPresSearch@mennoniteeducation.org. To see more information about the search process, including the presidential profile, visit: ams.edu/presidentsearch

The Mennonite, Inc. invites your original submissions for our September 2019 print magazine issue and corresponding online content focusing on Faith-filled responses to health-care costs. Read more at <https://themennonite.org/september-2019-call-submissions-faith-filled-responses-health-care-costs/>

Spanish-English Interpreters Needed: The Center for Healing & Hope is in need of additional volunteers to interpret between some patients and medical professionals at its clinics. This is an essential role in helping provide medical care to those who may not otherwise have access. Learn more about this volunteering opportunity by calling the Center at 574-534-4744 or by visiting chhclinics.org/volunteer

AMBS Church Leadership Center job opening. Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary in Elkhart, Indiana, is accepting applications for a half-time program assistant to assist the Dean of Lifelong Learning and other CLC staff in the administration of educational programs funded by a multi-year "Thriving in Ministry" grant from the Lilly Endowment. ams.edu/jobs.

Seeking a kitchen assistant. Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary in Elkhart, Indiana, is accepting applications for a kitchen assistant to prepare and serve food under the direction of the Caterer in Residence as needed for AMBS catered events. For a list of responsibilities and physical requirements and information about applying, see ams.edu/jobs.

(repeat)**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.

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(repeat)**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 or contact Kelly Shenk Koontz at kellyshenckoontz@mcc.org.

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>

(repeat)**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>.

(repeat)**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.

(repeat)**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

(repeat)**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

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