

Welcome to Assembly Mennonite Church

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

WORSHIP

<p style="text-align: center;">October 6 World Communion Sunday Potluck following 2nd hour</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Worship leader: <i>Gretchen Krause</i> Preacher: <i>Anna Yoder Schlabach</i> Welcome & tear-down: <i>Hug</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Scripture: Ephesians 1:3-14</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">October 13 Annual Retreat at Camp Friedenswald Service starts at 10:30am</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Worship leader: <i>Leon Bauman</i> Preacher: <i>Carmen Horst</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Scripture: Ephesians 4:4-16</p>
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CALENDAR

Sat	Oct 5	6:30pm Barn Dance at Ebrigh-Zehr home
Sun	Oct 6	1 st Hour: Ephesians Worship Series begins 2 nd Hour: Electives begin Fellowship meal following 2 nd hour 2-4pm Solar Open House at Assembly
Fri-Sun	Oct 11-13	Church Retreat at Camp Friedenswald
Fri	Oct 18	11:30am Women's lunch bunch at meetinghouse

ANNOUNCEMENTS

assembly life and people

TODAY we start our Ephesians Bible Study worship series. Ephesians is interested in addressing "How does a follower of Christ act?". [Read the introduction to the worship series here](#); hard copies are on the lit table.

Fall Electives start TODAY during 2nd hour. [Ephesians](#) discussion, [Departing Consumer Culture](#) based on the book *An Other Culture* (referenced in [Lora's Sept 15 sermon](#)), [Asking the Big Questions](#) led by our pastors and [Contemplative time](#) are the four options. You can [click here](#) for more information about the electives, and half sheets are available on the lit table.

TODAY following 2nd hour we will share in a fellowship meal! We have one finicky oven at our disposal. Please bring warm food in crock pots or cold dishes to share. Desserts are also welcome! Please also bring plates and utensils for your household.

Through the Wabash Pastoral Leadership Program, Lora is spending a week Oct 4-11 in San Antonio and McAllen Texas on a borderlands learning tour. She is eager for the education and conversations that they will have with border patrol, undocumented immigrants, congregations working on hospitality and city officials. She is also anxious about the emotional impact of this time. Please hold her in your

prayers. She will be eager to talk with you about it at retreat, and then following retreat, she will be spending a week with her family on vacation, returning Oct 21. Please contact any pastor or Naomi with needs.

Time to sign up for Participant Tasks in 2020! We are asking everyone to sign up for 2 Sunday morning tasks. These include both hospitality tasks and caring for our children. You can sign up for these tasks by [clicking here](#), and paper copies of the form can be found on the rolling cart in the gathering space. Also, Welcome and Take Down has turned into Open and Welcome, and one or two small groups will be in charge of this job each Sunday morning to encourage the continuation of Small Groups being the "face" of the church.

Interested in sharing your gifts in worship? Fill out the worship gifts form on the website <https://assemblymennonite.org/assembly-101/get-involved/>

Retreat at Friedenswald is NEXT WEEKEND! We've made some changes to the schedule, and you will find new, ORANGE paper copies in your mailboxes. Because of the EEE threat, we are moving the campfire into the dining hall. Also please be sure to bring long sleeves and DEET mosquito repellent. Is it too late to register? No, but the sooner the better. See you all there!

A reminder that worship at Camp Friedenswald next week (Sun, Oct 6) will start at 10:30am. Carmen Horst will preach and we will celebrate the baptism of Hannah Friesen! Hannah will share her faith story during worship and worship will conclude with her immersion in the lake.

At Leadership Group's (LG) most recent meeting, they discussed congregational meetings, on-line giving platforms and appointed an ad-hoc group to rewrite Assembly's short-term building use/rental agreement. A reminder that approved minutes from all LG and Congregational meetings can be read [on our website](#).

An office (rooms 11-14) has been assigned to each pastor and everyone has a mailbox outside of their office. A reminder that Naomi (administrator) and John (treasurer) share Office 10. Mail for either of them can be placed in the "Office Mail" box outside of Office 10. Anything sensitive can be slipped under the Office 10 door.

Important dates from Interfaith Hospitality Network: Oct 15, 6:30pm Volunteer Training. (*This is a change from a previously advertised date; please update your calendar!*) Reservations to SusanMarkLandis@gmail.com by Oct 13. Oct 24, 6-7:30pm Dessert Fundraiser with Jeremy Stutsman guest speaker. Reservations to SusanMarkLandis@gmail.com by Oct 20. Nov 16: 9:00-4 Mental Health First Aid class taught by Oaklawn. \$30 limited participants. Talk to Susan

Enjoy an African feast at the annual Tanzania Education Aid (TEA) Dinner on Oct 26, 5:30-7pm. This year the dinner will be held at the Waterford Mennonite Church. Tickets can be purchased from Lenora Magatti, Carrie Hartzler Bhandari, Esther Muhagatchi, Tobias Magatti, Eric Yordy, Shawn Stutaman, and Richard Hirschler (574-238-2938). Ticket price: \$15 for adults, \$10 for students and children 5-12, free for 0-4 year olds. Tickets cost \$18.00 at the door (we appreciate tickets purchased in advance so we know how much food to cook). Come and enjoy good food and learn more about TEA!

Karl Shelly wrote an opinion column for the Goshen News that came out today. You can [read it here](#), and paper copies are on the lit table.

Missing since the last potluck: aluminum 13" x 9" pan with lid. Yours might be in lost and found. - Dennis Landis.

Thank you to all the children and adults at Assembly for your generosity and enthusiasm in supporting My Coins Count this year at the Michiana Mennonite Relief Sale (MMRS) with your contribution of \$1010.06. Congregations, along with matches from local businesses, raised over \$121,000 for MyCC - helping families gain access to life-giving water. The MMRS total this year will be over \$445,000. Thank you for your work and support of the sale, and for sharing your resources in the name of Christ, so other families can have their basic necessities met through Mennonite Central Committee and our partners around the world. - John Martens, MyCC Coordinator, MMRS

(repeat) **Fall Work Days** will be Oct 23, 30 and Nov 6, and assignments will be given out this upcoming week. A reminder that small groups will be assigned as they stood before the shuffle. Email office@assemblymennonite.org if this causes problems for your group, or if you were not in a small group before the shuffle and would like to help!

(repeat) **Women's Lunch Bunch:** Julia King and Julia Gautsche will attend the next meeting on Oct 18 from 11:30 to 1pm at Assembly. Bring your own lunch and be prepared to engage in conversation with Julia and Julia about the electoral process and the issues facing the city of Goshen. This is not a campaign event. It is a way to be better informed about our local community.

(repeat) **Enchanted Forest** at Merry Lea, a program for all ages, 7-8:30pm Oct 25 & 26. Come for a guided night hike by lantern light and meet native Indiana animals! For more info [click here](#) or ask Dave Ostergren, Carol Good-Elliott or Jonathon Schramm.

(repeat) **Racial Justice in Elkhart County** is a priority of the local NAACP. We are honored that the president of the national NAACP has agreed to speak at this year's Freedom Fund Banquet, Friday, Nov. 1 at the Matterhorn in Elkhart. Gayle Gerber Koontz has tickets (\$50). If you can't attend, consider purchasing a ticket for someone else. African students at AMBS are especially interested in this event and Gayle will be glad to find someone for you.

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(repeat) **Assembly Memory Book** Many years ago a memory book was started to honor and remember Assembly-ites who have died. It seems like a good time start that project again. If you are interested in making a page for the memory book, please stop by Anna's office and pick up a page. You do not need to be a master scrapbooker. We are less concerned with making a cohesive book and more concerned with having a tangible way to remember the people we love. E-mail Anna with questions.

community connections

Fall Concert: Bethany Christian Middle School instrumental groups will present a fall concert on Tuesday, Oct 8, at 7pm. The concert is free and open to the public.

Michiana Voices for Middle East Peace is honored to welcome Lesley Williams to our fall lecture series on Christian Zionism. Her talk, "Progressive Except Palestine: Rescuing Judaism from Israelism," will take place at 7pm Thur Oct 10 at College Park Mennonite Church Room 300. The event is free and open to the public.

Guatemala Learning Tour - Central District Conference is planning a learning tour to SEMILLA, an Anabaptist seminary in Guatemala, for January 16-26, 2020. There are 2-3 open spots for a total of 12 participants on this trip. Women in their 20's or 30's are especially encouraged to join. Participants are asked to pay their own airfare to and from Guatemala City, plus \$400 toward the trip costs. [Click here for more.](#) If you're interested, please let Emma Hartman (office@mcusacdc.org) know **before Oct 18.**

Immediate part-time position open for a Medical Assistant at the Center for Healing and Hope, a faith-based urgent and chronic care clinic in Goshen. This 20-hour a week position involves working with patients and office clinical duties. Must have excellent clinical and communication skills, and be able to work two evenings per week. Applicants who are bilingual in Spanish and English are preferred. If interested, submit resume to Janelle Martin, HR manager, at jmartin@chhclinics.org.

(repeat) **Daring Disciple Retreat.** This retreat is for young adults, ages 20-30. All are welcome to this three-day interactive experience led by the Rev. Callie Swanlund,

Episcopal priest and Certified Daring Way Facilitator. Oct 10 in Morgantown, IN. [Click here](#) for more info.

(repeat) **The Ripple Effect** presents the 5th annual "If You Knew Me, You'd Love Me" concert - an evening of music and words designed to build understanding. Oct 10 at the South Bend Civic Theater. [Click here](#) for more info.

(repeat) **Bring the whole family,** and join the Maple City Community Orchestra for an afternoon with some of your creepy favorites! Featuring Funeral March of a Marionette, Night on Bald Mountain, Danse Macabre, Peer Gynt (Mountain King), and a Phantom of the Opera Medley. The concert is presented at Goshen College Sauder Music Hall on Sun, Oct 13 at 3pm. All MCCO concerts are free and open to the public. Donations are accepted.

(repeat) **Employment Opportunity** – Food Services Assistant, Fall 2019 Bethany Christian Schools is seeking persons to assist in our Farm to School cafeteria. Our school aspires to incorporate food services into the educational program by producing meals with healthy, fresh local foods. Students engage in hands-on learning through gardening and participate in educational activities related to agriculture, health and nutrition. For more info go to <https://www.bethanycs.net/employment-opportunities>. To apply, contact Tim Lehman at tclehman@bethanycs.net.

(repeat) **MHS (Mennonite Health Services)** is looking for a new Public Relations Manager to join our team! To request more information about this position or to express interest, candidates should please send letter of interest and resume to Clare Krabill, MHS COO at clare@mhsonline.org by October 7th.

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