

Gathering together

Prelude
Welcome
Call to worship

Praising God

HWB 124 (blue) *O worship the Lord*
Scripture reading *Psalm 29*
HWB 407 (blue) *We are people of God's peace*
Offering & offertory
Men's Choir *Angels watchin' over me*

Hearing God's Word

Children's time: STS 47 (purple) *Let the children come to me*
Scripture reading *Isaiah 42:1-9; Matthew 3:13-17*
STS 89 (purple) *Christ is alive*
Sermon *Baptism, Birth & Blessing*

Responding to God's Word

HWB 299 (blue) *New earth, heavens new*
Receiving into membership—Rose and Dennis Ernest
Prayers of the people
Introduction of guests & Announcement
HWB 433 (blue) *Go, my children*
Benediction
Blessing each other

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Children ages 2-4 are dismissed following Children's time for preschool church in the nursery with Marilyn Langeman and Donna Shenk.

Diane Gehman (pianist); Herman Bontrager & Matt Carlson (worship leaders); Ron Guenther (song leader); Sandra Richard Woods (children's time leader); Don & Linda Good, John Weber (scripture readers); Rachel Nolt (sermon)

Next week: Is 49:1-7; Ps 40:1-11; 1 Co 1:1-9; Jn 1:29-42; Melody Rupley, sermon; Next Sunday we will celebrate communion as part of Anabaptist World Fellowship Sunday.

AMONG THOSE SERVING TODAY

Greeters: Doug & Joanne Dirks, Ann Zimmerman
Nursery: Worship: Marilyn Langeman & Donna Shenk
Coffee Servers: Linda & Don Good
Ushers: Don Good (Head usher), Tim Langeman, Dave Frey, Linda Good
Sound/AV Operator: Bryan Beyer
Mug Washers: 2nd Hour: Jim Shenk & Helena Dueck

PLEASE JOIN US (10:10 – 10:35 am)

Everyone is welcome to participate in coffee/tea fellowship after the worship service. Guests, please sign the guest book in the foyer.

SECOND HOUR FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES (10:35 – 11:20 am)

Adults

Human nature, human rights, and Anabaptists: Mark Kelley is leading a six part discussion on human nature and human rights, using his new book: *This Mere Existence: Motivation and Strategies for Restoring Human Rights*. This book is available for purchase in the church office for \$10. This class meets in the sanctuary.

Continuing the Journey, led by Jerry and Marlene Kaufman, meets in Rm. 11 (DSECC wing) to extend the experience of the morning worship service, as well as provide a setting where participants can learn from each other and be a support in times of challenge and joy.

Koinonia: This ongoing class is watching and discussing a DVD series titled Embracing an Alternative Orthodoxy: Richard Rohr on the Legacy of St. Francis. Facilitated by Lenoir Wible. Class meets in Room 222.

Faith and Family: Facilitated by Karen King and Rachel Nolt. Class meets in the Sabbath Room.

Children and Youth

Taught by members of the church who graciously volunteer their time. See below for locations.

Nursery age -----Nursery
Ages 2-4 ----- Rooms 16/18
Kindergarten—4th grade ----- Rooms 131, 132, 133 (lower level)
Jr. MYF (5th—8th grade youth) - -Jr. MYF Room
MYF (High School youth) -----MYF Room

UPCOMING EVENTS

Jan. 12 **Today** Sunday Soup at AMC following second hour
16 Garden Spot Village residents' gathering at 11:30 in the Concord Room
16 AMC Council meets at 7 pm
17 Informal visitation for Ruth Detweiler from 6-8 pm at Westview Community Room of Landis Homes
18 Memorial Service for Ruth Detweiler at 11:00 am; lunch following
19 2020 Budget Discernment Sunday during 2nd hour
19 ADNet lunch and documentary following 2nd hour

PRAYERS

We hold each other and these situations in the light of Christ:

- The people in Puerto Rico who are suffering following the recent earthquakes. The people in Australia who continue to live with massive fires in their country. Those in Indonesia who are affected by flooding from excessive rainfall.
- As we see escalating conflict between Iran and the United States following the killing of Iranian general Qassem Soleimani, let us pray that both governments exercise restraint and focus on a peaceful resolution.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please join us for Sunday Soup following second hour. All are welcome!

A memorial service for Ruth Detweiler will be held Saturday, January 18 at AMC at 11:00 am. All are invited to lunch following the service. Informal visitation will occur during the meal. Informal visitation will also be held from 6:00-8:00pm on Friday, January 17 at the Landis Homes Westview Community Room. If you need transportation to the service, please contact the church office.

ADNet lunch: Next Sunday, January 19, at 12:00 noon in the assembly room. You are invited to stay for lunch and view a video produced by the Contended Dementia Trust. Please sign up for pizza or bring your own lunch to the Assembly Room. The video, produced in Britain, shows people's experience as they saw early signs and came to terms with someone's dementia. There's an explanation of how we store facts and feelings in our memories and what the difference is between normal aging and dementia. The total length of the six segments is 85 minutes.

Join a conversation about medical debt forgiveness for many in Lancaster County on Wednesday, January 15 at 1:00pm at the Parish Resource Center (PRC). Please register online at the PRC website if you plan to attend.

Share-a-Life will volunteer at the MRC on Saturday, February 8 at 9 am. This event is open to all ages. A sign-up sheet is posted on the AMC bulletin board.

Praying for AMC: In a letter to AMC from New Holland Mennonite Church, Pastor Dawn Ranck Hower writes, "As we gather for worship on Sunday, January 12, we will be praying for you and your congregation. This year we are committing to pray for a specific Atlantic Coast Conference church each week. We are grateful for the witness that your congregation is to your local community and the world."

*Eternal Spirit,
Earth-maker, Pain-bearer, Life-giver,
Source of all that is and that shall be,
Father and Mother of us all,
Loving God, in whom is heaven:*

The hallowing of your name echo through the universe!

*The way of your justice be followed by the peoples
of the world!*

Your heavenly will be done by all created beings!

*Your commonwealth of peace and freedom
sustain our hope and come on earth.*

With the bread we need for today, feed us.

In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us.

In times of temptation and test, strengthen us.

From trials too great to endure, spare us.

From the grip of all that is evil, free us.

*For you reign in the glory of the power that is love,
now and for ever. Amen.*

- - from *A New Zealand Prayer Book*, p. 181