

**TUESDAY, March 10:** 11 a.m. **Potato Cutting:** There are signs the long cold winter of 2026 is ending and warmer days are on the way. Let's celebrate the coming spring by preparing to plant potatoes! Gather at table by the shed by the garden. Dress warm and bring a knife for cutting. Let the fun begin!

**FRIDAY, March 13:** 11 a.m. **Potato Planting**

**FRIDAY, March 13: Book Club at Bryan & Dawn's house.** Conversation led by Pat Thomas: Buckeye, a novel by Patrick Ryan. One town. Two families. A secret that changes everything.

**WEDNESDAY, March 18: Women's Dinner at GSV Concord Room:** Reserved from 5:30-8:00. Food available until 6:30 p.m.

**Land Acknowledgment:** We acknowledge, with humility, that the land where we sit and stand today is land that was home to the Susquehannock, Shawnee, and Lenape people. Let us be aware that we occupy their homeland, and that their presence is imbued in this land.

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# New Holland Mennonite Church

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Fellowship: 8:30 a.m. • Sunday School: 9:00 a.m. • Worship: 10:00 a.m.

## Dwelling in *DISSONANCE*

### Obvious & Hidden

**Focus Statement:** We yearn for simple and obvious explanations without dissonance. This week we are confronted with Jesus' approach to important things like love, holiness and even what we know!

We come to worship  
**with expectations that may or may not be met;  
with questions that might be answered;  
and answers that might be questioned.**

We come seeking God.  
**Seeking a taste of truth;  
seeking a glimpse of divine presence;  
seeking to make sense of the world.**

We come to journey with Jesus,  
**and allow ourselves to be disarmed and inspired,  
moved and confused  
by the Spirit of Christ among us and within us.**

***Let us worship God.***

# Order of Worship

## My Coins Count

Gathered by Children

## Gathering & Praising God

*Let's Walk Together (VT 6)*

Jenn Esbenshade

Call to Worship & Prayer

Dawn Kaczor

*Oceans (VT 456)*

## Hearing God's Voice

Conversation with Children

Steven Lantz

Extinguish Candle

Scripture: John 13:1-17 (*Gospel of John* from Visual Bible International)

Sermon: "Holy and Awkward" Pastor Dawn Ranck-Hower

## Responding

*Will You Let Me Be Your Servant (VT 778)*

Anointing for Healing: Evelyn Bailey

*Special Music*

Love Made Visible

*Recorded Music*

The Towel & the Basin

Receive and offer the washing of feet or hands as a sign of Jesus humble love among us.

*"I choose to serve you, beloved child of God"*

Prayers for Others and the World

Light a candle and let your love become prayer for the people and places Jesus calls us to serve.

Anointing for Healing

Receive oil and prayer as we entrust our wounds and hopes to the healing love of Jesus.

*We Are One in the Spirit (VT 387)*

Prayers of the People

Bryan Hower

Announcements

## Sending

*Heart With Loving Heart United (VT 813)*

Sending Blessing

## Fellowship Meal

**Coffee:** Sue Martin; **Greeters:** Lisa, Joe, & Grace Kehm

**Sound:** Wade Esbenshade; **Nursery:** Ruth Douglas Miller

**Close:** Tim Martin; **Offering:** Franci Bailey & Ruth Douglas Miller

**February 22: Attendance and Offering**  
**Attendance: 39 (2 Zoom) • Offering: \$3,240.00**

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

**March 5:** Tammy Snader

## NEXT SUNDAY: March 8

**Coffee:** Ashly Escalante; **Greeter:** Jen Morales

**Worship Lead:** Wanda Gonzalez Bortzel

**Song Leader:** Jenn Esbenshade; **Prayer:** Brenda Hurst

**Sermon:** Dawn Ranck-Hower; **Children:** Jen Morales

**Sound:** Bryan Hower; **Nursery:** Ray Hurst

**Offering:** Mike Good & Lisa Kehm; **Close:** Mike Good

## What We Value

With Jesus as our center, we commit to

including all people,

strengthening our relationships (and)

practicing peace and justice. (adopted February 2023)

## UPCOMING EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

All events are at New Holland Mennonite Church unless otherwise indicated

**My Coins Count! Before worship each Sunday**, during the month of March the children will collect coins (or dollars) for Mennonite Central Committee's "My Coins Count." Each year, spare change collected by children, families and churches adds up to more than \$600,000 toward MCC's work around the world.

**Snacks for CrossNet Ministries:** Sign up in the weekly update to provide a month of snacks (40-50 individually wrapped) for CrossNet Ministries sometime in the next year. Give snacks to Lois Zimmerman at the beginning of the month.

**TUESDAY, March 3: ICE Preparation Planning Meeting:**  
6:30 p.m.

**THURSDAY, March 5: Men's Dinner at GSV Concord Room:**  
Reserved from 5:30-8:00. Food available until 6:30 p.m.