

August 9, 2020 • Volume 65, No. 32 Worship: 10:00 a.m. (Zoom)



Passion:

A strong, barely controllable emotion; an intense desire or enthusiasm for something.

This summer a different person will share a "Passionate Speech" each Sunday, exploring how an area in their life that they are passionate about intersects with their faith.

Gathering and Praising God

Praise His Holy Name

MCCL Virtual Choir
(Look for Seth Lantz)

Call to Worship/Prayer Jenn Esbenshade
Oceans Plains Mennonite Church Worship Team

Hearing God's Word

Conversation with Children Ray Hurst

Scripture: Luke 4:16-44

Passionate Speech: "It's Up to Us: Jesus Organizing

from the Margins" Bryan Hower

Responding

How can we be silent (SJ 61) Sharing and Announcements

Congregational Prayer Pastor Dawn Ranck-Hower

A Prayer for the Tithes and Offerings

Sending

Lord, Jesus, You Shall Be My Song Cumberland Valley

Chorus

Benediction Jenn Esbenshade

August 2 (7 p.m. Vesper Services)

Zoom Attendance: 42 • **Church Offering:** \$1,980.00 As you are able, please mail your offerings to the church office.

Next Sunday: August 16 (10 a.m. worship by Zoom)

"Passionate Speech:" Karina Morales
Worship Lead: Dawn Ranck Hower
Children's Time: Bryan Hower
Congregational Prayer: Dawn Ranck-Hower

Happy Birthday

August 10: Wade Esbenshade; August 11: Charles Longenecker

Upcoming Events

Work in Garden/Bonfire chat: Tuesday evenings, 6 p.m.

Church News

New Holland Mennonite Church Bylaws: 34 Members responded to adopting the new bylaws: 31 voted yes; 0 voted no; 3 abstained. The new bylaws passed with 100% approval.

Fundraiser for the ELC Kitchen: The Early Learning Center is in full swing raising money to upgrade the kitchen. The total cost of the project is \$145,000. Please consider giving toward this project through the church offerings in September. A \$3,500 matching grant is available from Everence. Can we raise \$10,000, or more?! (Update: Clark Foundation has given \$50,000 to the ELC in a matching grant. So, the money we raise as a congregation will be matched again! That means that each dollar that is given becomes three dollars!!!)

When do we go back to church in the sanctuary? The Leadership Team is using the following to guide us in the future: We believe that we are the body of Christ together, therefore: 1) we will not meet together before the end of August (perhaps longer); 2) We will take our cues from retirement homes; 3) we will explore ways to be outside together in small groups over the summer. (The Tuesday evening working in the garden and gathering around the bonfire is one example. People who can't work in the garden are encouraged to bring lawn chairs and join the group for the 7:30 p.m. bonfire.) Outdoor, 7 p.m. Vesper Services are being planned for September 6 and October 4 instead of morning worship on those Sundays.

Community News

Annual Storytelling Night (Live Stream): **September 7**, 7 p.m. Featuring Dr. Pamela Tieszen, Superintendent of Lancaster Mennonite Schools and Nelson Okanya, Global Missions President at the Center for Serving Leadership. Broadcast exclusively on Facebook Live at facebook.com/lmhs.org. Donations are welcome.

Lancaster Historic Society Mini Bookworm Frolic: Stock up on your reading favorites at our Mini Bookworm Frolic held **Sept. 17 & 18**, 9 am to 7 pm, and **September 19**, 9 am to 4 pm, at the Historical Society. We will require customers to observe the health and safety recommendations in place at that time.

Celebration 2020: Mennonite Central Committee at 100: October 17. Save the date for this full day event.

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