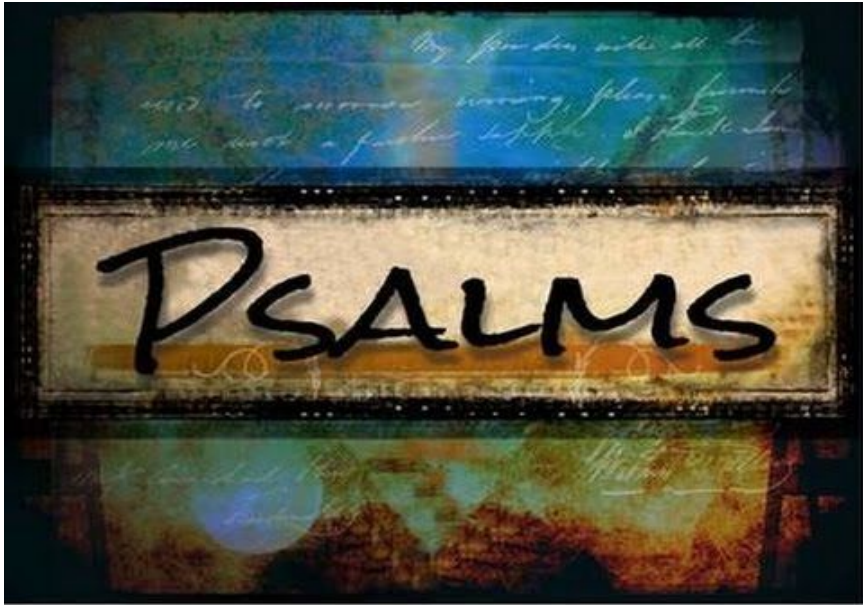


New Holland Mennonite Church

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Sunday School: 9:00 a.m. • Worship: 10:00 a.m.



Scripture Summary: In this instructional psalm the Lord makes a clear distinction between the righteous and the unrighteous. Those who do not follow in God's ways do not find happiness, while those who meditate on God's law day and night find peace and contentment.

Gathering & Praising God

Christ the Lord is risen today (WB 280) ACC members
Call to Worship/Prayer Karina Morales
Be thou my vision (WB 545)

Hearing God's Voice

Conversation with Children Ray Hurst
Scripture: Psalm 1 Karina Morales
Sermon: "Blessed are the Righteous!" Richard Weaver

Responding

Confession and Forgiveness Richard Weaver
Follow the path of Jesus (Life Songs 244)
This is Us Jim & Evelyn Bailey
Sharing and Announcements
Congregational Prayer Pastor Dawn Ranck-Hower

Sending

O God in heaven (SJ 53)
Benediction

Richard Weaver is married to Ruth (60 yrs. in June) and they have three children, three in-laws and eight grandchildren. After a life in medicine/surgery (in U.S. and Tanzania) he finished a seminary degree and was ordained in 1999 for ministry at NHMC where he served for about five years until his retirement.

April 4 Sunrise Service

Attendance: 40 • Church Offering: \$1,800
Camp Scholarship (given to date): \$250

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

April 17: Davin Esbenshade

Upcoming Events

All activities are on zoom unless otherwise stated.

Wednesday, April 14: Shine Bright Club, 7:00 p.m.

Sunday, April 18

Sunday School: 9:00 am.

Worship: 10:00 a.m.

Worship Leader: Dawn Kaczor
Sermon: Pastor Dawn Ranck-Hower
Congregational Prayer: Brenda Martin Hurst
Children's Time: Elsa Lantz

Church News

Refugee Resettlement Welcome Team: Jenn Esbenshade is giving leadership to team of people who will resettle a refugee family through Church World Services. Contact Jenn if you would like more information or to sign up to be on the welcome team. *"I was hungry and you gave me food to eat. I was thirsty and you gave me a drink. I was a stranger and you welcomed me."* (Matthew 25:35)

"This is Us:" Contact Pastor Dawn if you are willing to share about your family on **April 25, or May 9, 16, 23, or 30.**

Camp Scholarships: Consider giving a donation to make it possible for children in our congregation to enjoy a week at camp this summer. Mark "Church Camp" on offering envelope. Contact Pastor Dawn if you would like to have access to a camp scholarship in 2021.

Sunday School: April 11-May 30. Each Sunday we will be listening to and discussing a Chapter of *"I Am Not Your Enemy: Stories to Transform a Divided World"* by Michael T. McRay. The author visits divided regions of the world and interviews activists, peacebuilders, former combatants, and clergy members about their personal stories of conflict, justice, and reconciliation. In a time of heightened alienation and fear, McRay offers true, sacred stories of reconciliation and justice, asking what they can teach us about our own divided states. We need stories that cultivate empathy and tell the truth. We need stories to save us from our fear. (There will be no Sunday School on May 2 or June-August)

Community News

Interested in short-term service opportunities?

Ask Mennonite Mission Network about SOOP!
Contact: LaurenEH@MennoniteMission.net.

How to Plan for Aging in Place: Educational Webinar.

This educational online seminar is available for persons aged 40+ who are asking questions around aging. Topics covered include: If you want to stay in your home for the rest of your life, what options are available? How do Medicare, Medicaid, and your current healthcare insurance fit in? Available to anyone living in Lancaster and Lebanon Counties. For more information and to register for the webinar that is set for **Thursday, April 29, 2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.** friendslifecare.org

Book Unveiling: Lancaster Mennonite Historical Society hosts author Beth Oberholtzer and photographer John Herr in an exclusive complimentary online event to unveil their new book, *Working Horses of Lancaster County*, and the companion children's book, *Mares & Foals*, on Tuesday, **April 27** at 7 pm. Zoom information at bit.ly/ZoomWHLC.

Caring for God's Earth: A Hopeful Response to the Climate Crisis, **Friday-Saturday, May 7-8.** This two-day event with both virtual and in-person components will equip and give hope to current and developing church leaders and others concerned about climate change. The day includes online plenary sessions and workshops as well as inspiring in-person field trips to explore climate action work being done in the Lancaster, Pennsylvania area. This event is offered by the Center for Sustainable Climate Solutions, Mennonite Central Committee East Coast, and the Peace & Justice Committee of Atlantic Coast Conference. Info and registration at atlanticcoastconference.net/gods-earth. Registration required.

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