

August 20, 2023 • Volume 68, No. 34 Coffee & Fellowship: 9:30 a.m. • Worship: 10:00 a.m.

Gathering & Praising God

All Good Gifts Praise Team
Call to Worship / Prayer Pastor Dawn Ranck-Hower
Sing to the God of Harvest (VT 122)

Hearing God's Voice

Sharing our Tithes and Offerings

Conversation with Children Pastor Dawn Ranck-Hower

Scripture: Leviticus 23:33-43, Deuteronomy 16:13-16

Francy Bailey & Jim Bailey

Sermon: "Food, Rituals and Worship, Oh My!" Dawn Kaczor

Responding

Children of the Heavenly Father (VT 517)

Back to School Blessing Pastor Dawn Ranck-Hower Sharing & Announcements Paster Dawn Ranck-Hower

Congregational Prayer

Sending

Dona Nobis Pachem (VT 707)
Benediction (adapted from John 7:38)

Coffee: Evelyn Bailey; Greeters: Francy Bailey & Jim Bailey

Close: Jim Bailey;

Praise Team: Dawn Kaczor, Steven Lantz, Ruth Douglas Miller, Keith Miller Sound: Bryan Hower & Seth Lantz

Gather & Count Offering: Francy Bailey & Keith Miller

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

August 26: Sue Martin

HAPPY Anniversary

August 25: Barbara & Charles Longenecker **August 26:** Sue & Tim Martin

August 13

Attendance: 42 (4 on zoom) • **Offering: \$**3,168.00 \$50 for 1719 Herr House (\$200 of \$350 given so far)

FRIDAY, AUGUST 25 (Garden Church)

Garden Coordinator: Ray Hurst

Worship Service: Michele Good, Jen Morales, Dawn Ranck-Hower **Food:** Pat Thomas, Adina Bills, Francy Bailey & Evelyn Bailey

Sound/Greeter: Bryan Hower

Close Building: Jim Bailey; Bonfire: Steven Lantz Count Offering: Brenda Martin Hurst & Ruth Douglas Miller

UPCOMING EVENTS

All events are at New Holland Mennonite Church unless otherwise indicated

August 25 (Friday): Garden Church

September 3: NO Fellowship Meal following worship

September 9 (Saturday): Men's Breakfast: 7 a.m. Eli's Restau-

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September 9: ELC International Celebration: 11 a.m. –2 p.m.

September 17: 1719 Herr House

September 20 (Wednesday): Women's Dinner: 6 p.m.

Garden Spot Village

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)

Church News

Fellowship Meal: There will not be a Fellowship Meal on September 3 since we will be eating together at the 1719 Herr House on September 17.

ELC International Celebration 2023: Experience the World! September 9, 11 a.m. –2 p.m. Join us in an explosion of cultural celebration as we embrace various unforgotten traditions. Enjoy: Dance and musical performances, taste diverse food, admire displays, learn about the world. An experience you do not want to miss! Party of Two: \$60.00 / Party of One: \$35.00 / Child under age of 18: \$15.00 / Under age of 3: Free. Location: New Holland Mennonite Church. Event proceeds benefit the Early Learning Center. Tickets can be purchased online at: http://weblink.donorperfect.com/Internationalcelebration2023

Sunday School for all ages begins on **September 10**. There will be no Sunday School on September 3.

A Unique Worship Experience: Sunday, September 17. The 1719 Herr House is the oldest building in Lancaster County and the oldest Mennonite meetinghouse in the Americas. There is also a full-sized reproduction of a Native Longhouse.

9 a.m. Native American Longhouse

Learn about the Native American experience in Lancaster County. Please arrive early since it takes time to walk to the Long House.

10 a.m. 1719 Herr House Worship

Learn about the Mennonite experience in Lancaster County and worship together in the room where Mennonites worshipped in the past.

11 a.m. Eat a **picnic lunch** together in the museum lawn. **Please sign up to attend and bring food items to share.** www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0B48AAAE23A6F49-1719

Community News

Empowered Hearts: Teachers and Students Unite in Worship: August 26, 7 p.m., at New Holland Mennonite Church. You're invited to join us for a heartfelt Worship Night open to all. We will gather to pray and worship, uniting in anticipation of the

upcoming school year. This special evening is dedicated to both teachers and students, yet it extends to all who wish to attend. Whether you're an educator shaping young minds, a student embarking on a new chapter, or a community member with a heart inclined towards prayer, we warmly welcome you to accompany us. Together, let us follow the guidance of the Holy Spirit as we ready ourselves for the enriching journey of the 2023-2024 school year.

An Evening of African American Sacred Music: Sunday, September 10, 7:30pm, James Street Mennonite Church. Join Rashard Allen and accompanist Maria Thompson Corley for an evening of African American sacred music, while also learning about Rashard's upcoming trip to Tanzania to train worship leaders in the Mennonite Churches of Dar es Salaam, Tanzania's largest city. An offiering will be taken during the program towards funding the trip. Information: rashard@neffmc.org.

The Provident Giving Sessions with MennoMedia (webinar): MennoMedia and Everence are partnering to provide sessions

on generosity and stewardship. This fall, MennoMedia is offering sessions focused on stewardship and generosity featuring input from consultants at Everence.

Strategic Generosity: Maximizing your charitable impact: September 21, 2 p.m.

Strategic generosity at year end, October 19, 2 p.m. Learn more and register online at mennomedia.org/registernow or by emailing Mitch Stutzman, Director of Development and Partner Engagement at MennoMedia, at MitchS@MennoMedia.org.

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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