



New Holland Mennonite Church

October 22, 2023 • Volume 68, No. 43

Fellowship: 8:30 am • Sunday School: 9 am • Worship: 10:00 am

Gathering & Praising God

You Are Exalted (VT 86)

Call to Worship / Prayer

Waterfall (VT 763)

Jenn Esbenshade

Ruth Douglas Miller

Hearing God's Voice

Sharing our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Music

Scripture: Psalm 150

Conversation with Children

Sermon: "Praise in the Midst of Chaos"

Scripture: 2 Samuel 5:1-5, 6:1-15

Kelsey Means

Jenn Esbenshade

Pastor Dawn

Ranck-Hower

Responding

Praise with Joy the World's Creator (VT 428)

Sharing & Announcements

Congregational Prayer

Bryan Hower

Sending

As You Go Out From Here (VT 841)

Benediction

Coffee: Sue Martin

Greeters: Sue & Tim Martin

Close: Tim Martin

Sound: Wade Esbenshade

Gather & Count Offering: Mike Good & Keith Miller

NEXT SUNDAY: October 29

Coffee: Evelyn Bailey; **Greeters:** Jim Bailey

Close: Jim Bailey

Worship Leader: Bryan Hower

Praise Team: Jenn Esbenshade, Dawn Kaczor, Steven Lantz

Offertory: Kelsey Means

Sermon: Dwight Rohrer

Children's Time: Jenn Esbenshade

Prayer: Ray Hurst, **Sound:** Kai Esbenshade

Count Offering: Wanda Gonzelez Bortzel & Brenda Martin Hurst

UPCOMING EVENTS

All events are at New Holland Mennonite Church unless otherwise indicated

November 3: Book Club, 7 p.m. Dawn & Bryan's home

November 5: Adult Sunday School Focus: 2014-2023

Fellowship Meal following church

November 11: Men's Prayer Breakfast, 7 a.m. Eli's Restaurant

November 11: Walking Tour: Stories of Southeast Lancaster

City: The Heritage of the Polite Family, 2 p.m.

November 15: Women's Dinner: 6 p.m. Garden Spot Village

November 19: Annual Covenant Sunday &

Centennial Celebration! 10 a.m.

December 1: ELC Christmas Program, 6 p.m.

OCTOBER 15

Attendance: 46 (5 on zoom) • **Offering:** \$1,721.60

Total Early Learning Center October Fundraiser: \$1,271.83

(**Total given so far:** \$2,806.60 toward \$3,000 goal)

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

Vacation: Pastor Dawn is on vacation with her sister from October 26-29. Please contact Steven Lantz with pastoral care concerns.

Directory Update: A directory update for Jon Sommer is in your church folder in the library.

Save the Date! Friday, December 1, 6 p.m. ELC Christmas Program. Volunteers needed to make cookies and host. More details to follow.

October Fundraiser: for ELC educational supplies. **The first \$3,000 will be matched.** Mark your offering: "ELC Fundraiser."

Book Club: *Braiding Sweetgrass*. Friday, November 3, 7 p.m., at Bryan and Dawn's house. Keith Miller will lead discussion. Beverage and sweet snack provided. Bring a snack to share if you wish. RSVP: forms.gle/zZ7eReS84DGG9qXr9

Centennial Sunday School We continue our monthly focus on the 100-year history of New Holland Mennonite Church.

November 5: Focus: NHMC Relationship with Spanish Mennonite Church. Wanda Gonzalez Bortzel will tell the story.

November 12: Focus: 2014-2023 Pastor Dawn Ranck-Hower will lead us in reflecting together on the most recent 10 years.

Centennial Celebration and Annual Covenant Sunday: Our Centennial History events will conclude with a worship celebration at our Annual Covenant Sunday on **November 19!**

Stories of Southeast Lancaster City: The Heritage of the Polite Family: November 11, 2 p.m. This hour and a half tour departs from the Crispus Attucks Community Center, 407 Howard Ave, Lancaster. Please arrive 15-30 minutes before departure times. Prices: Adults \$15 / Seniors (62 & older) \$10 / Students (6-18) \$5 / Children under 6 free. www.aahsscpa.org. Contact Pastor Dawn if price is prohibitive. **Note:** We will meet for an early dinner at Lancaster Southern Market to chat about what we observed and learned. (southernmarketlancaster.com.)

Community News

Book presentation: *Liberating the Politics of Jesus: Renewing Peace Theology Through the Wisdom of Women*: October 22, 3 p.m., James Street Mennonite Church. Hosted by: Lancaster Interchurch Peace Witness. Presenters: Rev. Dr. Elizabeth Soto Albrecht, Dr. Linda Gehman Peachey and the Rev. Dr. Darryl Stephens. Each will talk about the political implications of Jesus's teachings and discuss the transformative perspective that women bring to this conversation. A question and answer time will follow. The program is free and open to the public. A freewill offering will be received. lancasterinterchurchpeacewitness.org/

Screening & Discussion: *Across documentary, part one*: Wednesday October 25, 6:00 p.m. James Street Mennonite Church. Filmed in Honduras, Texas, and Illinois, this four-part docuseries follows three women and their children who escaped abuse and violence in Honduras and Guatemala, and a Midwestern church that experienced a complete transformation in their hearts. This episode screening will be followed by an introduction to the new Home Study and Post Release Services program (HSPRS) at CWS Lancaster and the current efforts to support unaccompanied children.

Alive with 55 & Up: Ridgeview Mennonite Church, **Tuesday, November 14,** 10 a.m. Canine Partners for Life from Cochranville will present information about their mission of preparing and placing service dogs. Prepare to be charmed by some dogs in training, and learn inspiring stories of how dogs can enrich lives of people with differing needs. Lunch served after each meeting.

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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