

November 5, 2023 • Volume 68, No. 45 Fellowship: 8:30 am • Sunday School: 9 am • Worship: 10:00 am

## Gathering & Praising God

How Great Is Our God (VT 116) Call to Worship / Prayer Revelation Song (VT 415)

Jenn Esbenshade Wanda Gonzalez-Bortzel

### **Hearing God's Voice**

Sharing our Tithes and Offerings Offertory Music Kelsey Means Scripture: 1 Kings 18:17-39 Marilynn Miller Conversation with Children Ray Hurst Sermon: *"How long will you hobble?"* Pastor Dawn Ranck-Hower

## Responding

I Will Follow (VT 775) Communion Sharing & Announcements Congregational Prayer

**Ruth Douglas Miller** 

## Sending

*Love the Lord Your God (VT 288)* Benediction

> **Coffee:** Ray Hurst; **Greeters:** Brenda & Ray Hurst **Close:** Jim Bailey; **Sound**: Mike Good **Count Offering:** Francy Bailey & Keith Miller

#### HAPPY BIRTHDAY

November 8: Kylah Morales & Ray Hurst November 9: Tom Miller

#### **NEXT SUNDAY: November 12**

**Coffee:** Evelyn Bailey; **Greeters:** Jim Bailey; **Close:** Jim Bailey **Worship Leader:** Dawn Ranck-Hower; **Prayer:** Dawn Ranck-Hower **Praise Team:** Jenn Esbenshade, Francy Bailey, Wanda Gonzalez-Bortzel; Bryan Hower; **Children's Time:** Bryan Hower; **Sermon:** Carl Edwards **Sound:** Kai Esbenshade; **Offering:** Ruth Douglas Miller & Mike Good

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

All events are at New Holland Mennonite Church unless otherwise indicated 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 12: Sunday School Focus: 2014-2023, Dawn Ranck-Hower November 15: Women's Dinner, 5:30/6 p.m. Garden Spot Village November 19: 9:00 Sunday School: Congregational Meeting about New Holland Mennonite Church Guidelines 10:00 Annual Covenant Sunday & Centennial Celebration! Following Worship: Fellowship Meal December 21: Longest Night Service, 6:30 p.m. December 24: Christmas Brunch (9 a.m.) and Worship

#### OCTOBER 29

Attendance: 38 (2 on zoom) • Offering: \$2,521.60 Total Early Learning Center October Fundraiser: \$200.00 TOTAL GIVEN: \$3,006.60 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**

**Early Learning Center Fundraiser:** Thank you to everyone who donated to this October Fundraiser! We reached our goal! \$3,006.60 was raised, which when matched by \$3,000 is a grant total of \$6,006.60!!!

**Upcoming Fellowship Meals: November 19** (Annual Covenant Sunday), **December 24** (Christmas Brunch.) There will be no Fellowship Meals on **December 3** and **January 7**.

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.)

## **Centennial Celebration and Annual Covenant Sunday:**

Our Centennial History events will conclude with a worship celebration at our Annual Covenant Sunday on **November 19! Everyone is encouraged to attend.** 

## **Community News**

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.

**The Come Together Concert to benefit Chestnut Housing, Lancaster: Sunday, November 26,** Landisville Mennonite Church, 3320 Bowman Road, Landisville. Four groups, two sets each, afternoon and evening 3-5:00 p.m. and 7-9 p.m. Gospel, Folk, Folk-Rock, Blue/New Grass, and more. Different songs for each set. Original music by Jessica Smucker, Sopa Sol (Frances Miller and Daryl Snider) Lancaster, PA, the Clymer/Kurtz spousal duo, Harrisonburg, VA and song covers by The Dean and Dale Band Landisville, PA. Come, bring your family, bring your friends. No admission. Freewill offering to benefit Chestnut Housing.

An evening for peace: Transforming the world's response to conflict: Saturday, December 2, 5:30-7 p.m. Frazer Mennonite Church, 57 Maple Linden Lane, Frazer, PA. Every day we hear stories of violence in communities around the world, including our own. But there is another way to solve conflict, and it works. Learn about how nonviolence is being used globally—from Sunset Park in New York to South Sudan—to keep people safe when they are at risk of harm. This interactive gathering by Nonviolent Peaceforce will help each of us explore how we can be a part of growing the use of nonviolence in our world. Nonviolent Peaceforce is an international organization that envisions a worldwide culture of peace in which conflicts within and between communities and countries are managed through nonviolent means.

Alive with 55 & Up: Ridgeview Mennonite Church, Tuesday, December 12. TBD. 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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