

New Holland Mennonite Church

May 9, 2021 • Volume 66, No. 19
Sunday School: 9 a.m. Worship: 10:00 a.m.



Scripture Summary: The psalmist is blessed to see God's goodness working in the world. He calls upon God, and God responds in a way that the psalmist is compelled to share. God's faithfulness and love desire a joyful audience.

Gathering & Praising God

For the beauty of the earth (WB 89) Mennonite Congregation
of Boston, Maddie Ruth, Sarah Hiebert and Emma Ruth

Call to Worship/Prayer Dawn Kaczor
My life flows on (WB 580) Emily Rittenhouse

Hearing God's Voice

Conversation with Children Steven Lantz
Scripture: Psalm 40:1-10
Sermon: "Giving Voice to Gratitude" Chet Yoder*

Responding

I sing the mighty power of God (WB 46)

Sharing and Announcements

Congregational Prayer

Pastor Dawn Ranck-Hower

Sending

Go, my friends, in grace (SS 57)

Benediction

* Chet Yoder became Director of Pastoral Services at Garden Spot Village in 2008 after serving in pastoral leadership in a local congregation. A graduate of Evangelical Seminary in 2000 (M.A.R.), he has completed 4 extended units of Clinical Pastoral Education through Eastern Mennonite Seminary and has been involved with post-graduate studies through the Center for Family Process in Potomac, MD and the Bowen Center in Washington, DC. He is married to Sandy and father of three adult sons. His interests apart from chaplaincy include reading, gardening, walking, and traveling to visit his sons (Winnipeg, Michigan, Florida).

Upcoming Events

All activities are on zoom unless otherwise stated.

Sunday, May 16

Sunday School: 9 a.m.

Worship: 10:00 a.m.

Worship Leader: Bryan Hower

Sermon: Dawn Ranck-Hower

Congregational Prayer: Brenda Martin Hurst

Children's Time: Lois Zimmerman

Saturday, May 22: Rest for the Weary Silent Retreat,

9 a.m.-noon

Saturday, May 22: Kid's Club, 3-4 p.m.

Sunday, May 23: Pentecost Worship and breakfast in church
folks backyards, 9:30 a.m.

Sunday, June 6. 10 a.m. Worship by Zoom (Note change)

Sunday, June 13, 10 a.m. OUTDOOR worship (under tent)

May 2

Attendance: 42 • **Church Offering:** \$4,413.44

Church News

“I was glad when they said unto me, let us go into the house of the Lord” (Psalm 122:1) We are planning to worship again in person in the sanctuary beginning on July 4, 2021! Thanks to each of you who filled out the survey and for the many who volunteered to help with the cleaning following the worship service. We are working to upgrade our video capabilities so that we can continue to share the worship services through zoom for those who are unable to attend. Specific details about the in-person worship services will be shared in July based on the CDC guidelines that are available then.

Rest for the Weary: *Silent Retreat*

Saturday, May 22. 9 a.m. -Noon

**Led by Pastor Dawn
outdoors at the church**

“Come to me, all you who are struggling hard
and carrying heavy loads, and I will give you rest.

Put on my yoke, and learn from me.

I’m gentle and humble.

And you will find rest for yourselves.

My yoke is easy to bear, and my burden is light.”

— Jesus

**Space to *BE*,
and to open yourself—
your soul, your eyes, your ears—
to the One who *IS*,
who lives in us, surrounds us,
carried us, calls to us,
calls us by name,
knows us and loves us deeply.**

RSVP to Pastor Dawn by Wednesday, May 19.

Thank you: The Early Learning Center is so blessed to have the support of our family at New Holland Mennonite Church. Thank you for the \$5,000 donation to the classroom stage of our capital campaign. We cannot wait for you to be able to see all of the improvements. We have been truly blessed. Love, Jen Morales, Assistant Director

Pentecost: This year for our Pentecost Worship Service on May 23, the Leadership Team is planning for folks to meet at 9:30 a.m. at different homes of people in the congregation. About 8 people will gather around a fire pit or a circle in the back yard. A simple breakfast will be provided. A worship leader will lead the group through the worship service that is provided by Pastor Dawn. Additional details were sent in an email. Please RSVP by May 16, even if you do not plan to attend.

Updated Contact Information: Rhoda Weaver, 800 Kraybill Ave, G7, 717/351-4773

Community News

MCCL (Mennonite Children’s Choir) Concerts: Saturday, May 15 (rain date May 22), **2:30 p.m. & 4:15 p.m.** Lancaster Mennonite School Turf Field. MCCL with The Walking Roots Band. No tickets needed. **Sunday, May 16** (rain date May 23), **2:30-4:45 p.m.** Experience music from nine groups by the Mill Stream. Guests will receive a sampling of local foods to enjoy. Bring a chair or blanket. Tickets required. Lancaster Mennonite School Grounds. MCCL with local guest artists. **Sunday, June 6, 7 p.m.**, Mt. Gretna Tabernacle. Freewill offering. Details: mennonitechilndrenschoir.org/2021/04/mccl-spring-2021-concerts/ **Let’s support choir member Seth Lantz.**

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Leadership Team: Wade Esbenschade, Steven Lantz, Lois Zimmerman

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