



# New Holland Mennonite Church

April 14, 2019 • Volume 64, No. 15  
Sunday School: 9:00 a.m. • Worship: 10:00 a.m.



## Gathering

*Blessed be your name* Praise Team  
Call to Worship & Prayer Pastor Dawn Ranck-Hower

## Praising

*Shout to the Lord*  
Sharing our Tithes and Offerings  
Offertory: *Hosanna, loud hosanna* (WB 238)

## Proclaiming

### SUNDAY

Conversation with Children Ray Hurst  
Scripture: Luke 19:28-40  
*Sing Joyfully* Eastern Mennonite High School Choir\*  
It was Sunday ... \*\* Pastor Dawn Ranck-Hower  
Silence

### MONDAY

Scripture: Luke 19:45-48 Davin Esbenshade  
It was Monday ...  
*Jesus Christ is waiting* (SJ 30) verses 2, 3, 5  
Silence

### TUESDAY

Scripture: Luke 20:19-40 Bryan Hower  
It was Tuesday ...  
*First born of Mary* (SS 37)  
Silence

### WEDNESDAY

Scripture: Matthew 26:6-13 Wanda Gonzalez-Bortzel  
It was Wednesday ...  
*Wondrous love* EMHS Choir  
Silence

### THURSDAY

Scripture: Luke 22:1-6 Mekdes Anshebo  
It was Thursday ...  
*Jesus walked this lonesome valley* (SS 80)  
Silence

### FRIDAY

Scripture: Luke 23:1-7, 9-11, 13-25, 33-38, 44-49 Brenda Martin Hurst  
It was Friday ...  
*Ndikhokhele Bawo* EMHS Choir  
*He paid for me (by dying on the cross), my Father,  
He paid for me by representing me. Father I thank you  
because you will always keep me (safe). I implore you to  
lead me (so that I may follow) during times of sorrow/  
strife. You are always standing nearby.*  
Silence

### SATURDAY

Scripture: Luke 23:50-56 Charles Longenecker  
It was Saturday ...  
*So much wrong* (SS 84)  
Silence

## Responding

Prayer Pastor Dawn Ranck-Hower

Leader: Lord Jesus Christ,  
in this sacred and solemn week  
when we see again the depth and mystery  
of your redeeming love,

**All:** *help us to follow where you go,  
to stop where you stumble,  
to listen when you cry,  
to hurt as you suffer,  
to bow our heads in sorrow when you die,  
so that when you are raised to life again  
we may share your endless joy. Amen.*

Sharing and Announcements

Congregational Prayer Wade Esbenshade

## Sending

Benediction EMHS Choir

Benediction

\* The **Eastern Mennonite High School Touring Choir** is an auditioned ensemble of approximately 40 students in 11th and 12th grades. Their faith in Christ is central to their identity as a choir. Eastern Mennonite School was founded over a century ago with vocal music in worship as one of its foundational values. The choir is glad for the gift of this musical heritage. They are in Lancaster this weekend to participate in the Mennonite Schools Council at Lancaster Mennonite High School. The mass choir concert is Sunday at 3 pm. All are welcome to attend.

*"It was..."* readings based on *Stages of the Way*, 1997 Wild Goose Resource Group, Iona Community

**Coffee:** Judy Nguyen; **Sound:** Bryan Hower; **Usher:** Riley Snader  
**Greeters:** Riley & Tammy Snader; **Praise Team:** Jenn Esbenshade,  
Dawn Kaczor, Seth Lantz, Steven Lantz, Dawn Ranck-Hower  
**Nursery:** Karina Morales & Jen Morales; **Close:** Judy Nguyen

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY

**April 17:** Davin Esbenshade

### HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

**April 21:** Bob & Sarah Martin

## Upcoming Events

*(All events held at church unless otherwise indicated)*

**Apr 21** Sermon: Pastor Dawn Ranck-Hower, No Sunday School

**Apr 28** Sermon: Nancy Hooper  
Youth Group Movie Night at Meadville, 7 p.m.

**May 5** Sermon: Hunter Hess

**May 11** Men's Prayer Breakfast, 7 a.m. Squireside Cafe

**May 12** Sermon: Wanda Gonzalez-Bortzel & Jen Morales

## Holy Week Reminders

**Maundy Thursday Meal & Service: April 18**, 6:30 p.m. at Ridgeview Mennonite Church. **Sign up TODAY in lobby.**

**Good Friday Service: April 19**, 7:00 p.m. Enter and exit this service in silence. Ridgeview Mennonite Church will join us for this somber service on the saddest day of the church year

**Easter Service: April 21**, 10 a.m. There is no Sunday School or coffee. **Please bring your Easter flowers to church and place on the platform for everyone to enjoy.**

### ATTENDANCE AND OFFERING

**April 7:** 41 • **Offering:** \$1,956

### GARDEN DONATIONS TO DATE

Total needed: \$6,000 • Everence Grant: \$1,500

Total amount raised: \$3,900 • **Still needs to be raised: \$520**

### NEXT SUNDAY: April 21

**Coffee/Close:** Evelyn & Jim Bailey; **Sound:** Judy Nguyen

**Usher:** Anna Mae Weaver; **Greeters:** Laurence King & Sarah Sauder;

**Worship Leader:** Brenda Martin Hurst; **Pianist:** Glenda Gingrich;

**Praise Team:** Bryan Hower, Brenda Martin Hurst,

Dawn Ranck-Hower; **Children's Time:** Steven Lantz

**Prayer:** Dawn Kaczor; **Nursery:** Evelyn Bailey & Ruth Carrasco

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**Pastor:** Dawn Ranck Hower; dawn.ranck@verizon.net; 1/215/237-1485

**Leadership Team Chair:** Wade Esbenshade

**Leadership Team:** Ruth Carrasco, Steven Lantz

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*A nursery is available for children ages 4 and younger.*

## Church News

**7 p.m. SUNDAY EVENING: Gap Male Chorus** The chorus, which has been performing since 1922, will sing classic hymn arrangements, southern Gospel, spirituals, and modern styles. **Jim Bailey and Bob Weaver are members of the chorus.** Admission is free, but a love offering will be received to benefit the New Holland Early Learning Center.

**My Coins Count:** Thanks to everyone who gave coins and dollars to My Coins Count for Mennonite Central Committee. We raised \$549.77! (Last year \$298.44).

**An Expanded Fellowship Meal:** Sunday, **May 5**, noon. Instead of our typical monthly fellowship meal at church, you are invited to sign up to go to one of our local retirement homes to eat with folks who can no longer attend regularly. We'll take our fellowship to them! Sign up in the lobby by **Sunday, April 28.**

### Donations Needed:

**1) 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 envelop. \$100 donated so far.

**2) Garden Tools Needed:** Wheelbarrows, shovels, rakes, hoes, hose, sprinkling cans, etc. Place items in garden shed.

**What are you reading?** Sign up (on the table in the lobby) to share a short (5-10 minutes) report during a June or July worship service about a book (any genre) that you are reading or have read in the past year. What did you enjoy about the book? What did you learn? Would you recommend this book to others?

## Community News

**Mennonite Children's Choir Spring Concerts: Featuring our very own Seth Lantz.** Sunday, **April 14**, 6 p.m., Chiques Church of the Brethren, Manheim; Sunday, **May 5**, 6:30 p.m. Westminster Presbyterian Church, Lancaster; Sunday, **June 9**, 7 p.m. Mountville Lawn Concert Series, Mountville Church of the Brethren.

**Stories from the Peaceable Kingdom:** What does it mean to live out peace in the way of Jesus today? Come hear Gerry Keen-

er, Nancy Heisey, Ed Martin, and Tala Bautista share how their identities as disciples of Christ have shaped their responses in times of conflict or crisis at 7 p.m. on Monday, **April 15**, at Akron Mennonite Church.

**Shrek Jr. at Cavod Academy of the Arts: Featuring our very own Danika Snader!** **May 3**, 7 p.m.; **May 4**, 2 p.m. and 6 p.m.; **May 5**, 2 p.m. and 6 p.m. This nontraditional fairytale, through many twists and turns, sends a powerful message for the whole family. Tickets: cavodacademy.com or 717/354-3355.

**Messiah Sing-a-long:** Friday, **April 26**, 7 p.m. Westminster Presbyterian Church, 2151 Oregon Pike, Lancaster, PA.

**ACC Spring Assembly Celebration:** For delegates, youth delegates, and general attendees. Saturday, **April 27**, 9 a.m.—1:30 p.m., Landisville Mennonite Church, 3320 Bowman Road, Landisville. The day will include sharing from many of ACC's congregations, discussion on how various age groups contribute to our ministries, and times of reporting for delegates. **Register by April 24.** [www.atlanticcoastconference.net](http://www.atlanticcoastconference.net)

**An Evening with Brian McLaren: Saturday, April 27;**

7:00-8:15 p.m.; Highland Presbyterian Church, Lancaster, PA.

A former college English teacher and pastor, Brian is a passionate advocate for what he calls "a new kind of Christianity" – just, generous, and working with people of all faiths for the common good. Tickets: [parishresourcecenter.org](http://parishresourcecenter.org); 717/299-1113.

**Gospel Echoes Team Banquet: Thursday, May 2**, 6:30 p.m.

Yoder's Restaurant. A time of music & inspiration along with a delicious meal. Music provided by the Gospel Echoes Harvest & Mercy Road Teams. [www.gospelechoes.com](http://www.gospelechoes.com), 574/533-0221.

**Boots, Buckets, and Barrows: MDS Fund Raiser for La Plata MC, Puerto Rico:** In partnership with Mennonite Disaster Service, Ted & Co presents the original play, "The Jesus Stories: Faith, Forks, & Fettuccine," in conjunction with a unique auction of buckets (filled with breads and other homey items) and the tools MDS needs. All proceeds from the auction benefit the continued work of MDS rebuilding hope and homes for families in need. **Friday, May 3**, 7 p.m., Neffsville Mennonite Church. Free Admission, a freewill offering will be taken to support the cost of the show.

**Chatter, Chow, and Cheerful Service:** Women & children are encouraged to join together in fellowship, MCC work, & a light lunch. Saturday, **May 4, 2019**, 9 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. MCC Material Resource Center, Trout Run Road, Ephrata. Bring a pint of chicken corn noodle soup and your own bowl, spoon, and mug. A vegetarian soup option will be provided.

**Yellow Bellies: A Production of Theatre of the Beat: May 5,** Lancaster Mennonite School Fine Arts Center, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Yellow Bellies is a historical drama that highlights the experiences and public response to Mennonite Conscientious Objectors during WWII. This episodic tale takes audiences across Canada, featuring verbatim interviews, fictionalized scenes, and live music from an often overlooked chapter in Canadian history. A talk-back will include a local historian to draw parallels between the experiences of Canadian and U.S. Conscientious Objectors.

**Tuesday Alive with 55 & Up: May 14,** 10 a.m. Ridgeview Mennonite Church. Caleb Wilde, a sixth generation funeral director, will tell stories of growing up in a funeral home and how that shaped his view of death. He will tell of funny and poignant experiences in his career at the Wilde Funeral Home in Parkesburg, PA. Caleb has written a book, "Confessions of a Funeral Director: How the Business of Death Saved My Life," which has garnered national attention, resulting in a review in *Time* magazine.

**Plain Meetinghouses Learning Tour:** Visit meetinghouses belonging to Weaverland, Groffdale, and Lancaster Conference Mennonites on Saturday, **May 18**, from 8 a.m to 4 p.m. Trip led by Beth Oberholtzer and Lloyd Weiler. Tickets cost \$80 for members, \$95 for nonmembers. Register by April 18 at [lmhs.org](http://lmhs.org) or call (717) 393-9745.

**Peace Witness, the Military, and Selective Service – Exploring the Anabaptist Peace Stance in the 21st Century: June 9,** Forest Hills Mennonite Church, 6:30–8:00 p.m. This event will equip youth, parents, youth leaders, and educators with information on the current realities of U.S. military enlistment practices and trends and the selective service system, and will help the community articulate what it means to follow Jesus' lead as a