

# New Holland Mennonite Church

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Sunday School: 9:00 a.m. • Worship: 10:00 a.m.



Even in the desert, Jesus expands our definitions of a full life. It's not the life the Tempter presents: a life defined by excess power, control, or reign. Excess is not abundance, but there is more. There is a fuller life we are called to live. Even in the midst of struggle, oppressive forces, hardship, and grief—God's promises spill over, like the bounty of the first fruits from the ground. Even in the desert, you are called to the riverside to be washed by grace.

## Gathering & Praising God

*Full to the Brim\**

Call to Worship

Elsa Lantz

Prayer for Illumination

*Blessed Be Your Name (VT 637)*

Jenn Esbenshade

## Hearing God's Voice

Scripture: Deuteronomy 26:1-11; Luke 4:1-13

Conversation with Children

Dawn Kaczor

Sermon: "Remember..."

Pastor Dawn Ranck-Hower

(Artwork on Screen: "Redemption Song" by T. Denish Anderson)

## Responding

Prayer of Confession

Words of Forgiveness

Affirmation of Faith

*A Place at the Table*

Communion

Sharing and Announcements

Pastor Dawn Ranck-Hower

Prayer of the People & Prayer for Tithes and Offerings

## Sending

*Go My Friends in Grace (VT 810)*

Benediction

*\* Song written & produced by Paul Demer | Video by Lisle Gwynn Garrity, featuring visual art by Lisle Gwynn Garrity, Lauren Wright Pittman, Hannah Garrity, Carmelle Beaugelin, & Denise Anderson | A Sanctified Art LLC | sanctifiedart.org*

*Artwork on Screen: "Temptations" by Hannah Garrity*

*Banner on Left: "First Fruits" by Lauren Wright Pittman*

*Banner on Right: "Posca" by Carmelle Beaugelin*

**Greeters:** Francy Bailey & Bryan Hower

**Sound:** Davin & Myla Esbenshade

**Song Leader:** Jenn Esbenshade; **Close:** Tim Martin

**Count Offering:** Wanda Gonzalez-Bortzel & Sue Martin

## February 27

**Attendance Total:** 38 on Zoom • **Church Offering:** \$1,000.00

## NEXT SUNDAY: March 13

**Greeters:** Michele, Mike, Ellie, Maggie Good

**Worship Leader:** Sue Martin; **Children:** Dawn Kaczor

**Sermon:** Jon Heinly; **Prayer:** Lois Zimmerman

**Sound:** Davin & Myla Esbenshade

**Song Leader:** Jenn Esbenshade; **Praise Team:** Francy Bailey,

Wanda Gonzalez-Bortzel; **Close:** Jim Bailey

**Count Offering:** Wade Esbenshade & Lois Zimmerman

### **HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

**March 8:** Terra May; **March 11:** Sarah Martin

**March 12:** Barbara Longenecker

### **HAPPY ANNIVERSARY**

**March 10:** Bryan Hower & Dawn Ranck-Hower

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Wednesday, March 16: Discussion in preparation for MC**

**USA Special Delegate Assembly, 7 p.m.**

**Good Friday Worship, April 15, 7 p.m.**

**Easter Sunrise Service** (outdoors), 6 a.m., **April 17** (followed by an outdoor breakfast)

## **Church News**

**My Coins Count!!!** Each year, spare change collected by churches, children and families add up to more than \$600,000 for Mennonite Central Committee's work around the world! This year your spare change benefits MCC's food initiatives. Bring your coins (or paper money or checks made out to MCC) to church **during the month of March**. The coin bucket will be in the back of the worship space.

**College Care Packages:** As a way to remind our college students (Karina, Nyvani, Kylah) that they are not forgotten, consider writing a note and/or giving a small gift (snack food, cereal, pen, Post-It Notes, etc.) to each college student. A box for each of them will be in the lobby during the month of March.

**Easter, April 17:** Our morning worship service begins in the dark parking lot. Gather at 5:45 a.m. Hot beverages (bring a mug) provided from 5:45-5:55 a.m. Preservice begins at 5:55 a.m. Bring chairs, blankets (whatever you need to stay warm until the sunrises). There will be a basket for the offering. **Sign up in lobby by Sunday, April 10.** (Note: This service will not be available on Zoom. There will be no 10 a.m. worship service).

**Campership Donations:** Consider giving a donation to make it possible for children (Grades 3-12) in our congregation to enjoy time at a Christian camp this summer. Give donations by **Sunday, April 24.** Mark "Campership" on offering envelope.

**Campership Applications:** Contact Pastor Dawn if you would like to apply for a camp scholarship for Summer 2022. Deadline to apply: **Sunday, March 28.** Camperships will be awarded by the end of May. Each child who receives a campership is asked to do 5 hours of community service with the church.

## **Community News**

**Alive with 55 & Up:** Ridgeview Mennonite Church, **March 8**, 10 a.m. Sharing Space...the Ridgeview/Branch story. Audrey Kanagy (Ridgeview Mennonite) and Dave Smucker (Branch Community) will share how God brought together a congregation who had space to share with those who needed space, and the fruitful relationship that has grown since 2018. A meal follows the program.

**Mennonite Disaster Service Lancaster Unit Annual Meeting:** **March 14**, 7:00 p.m. at Manor Church, 530 Central Manor Rd, Lancaster, PA. The meeting will feature inspiring stories of MDS volunteers working on projects including Church flood cleanup in Downingtown, PA, MDS Storm Aid work in Louisiana, the Darby, PA house fire repair, and remarks from Jerry Grosh, MDS Field Operations Manager. This event will be held in person with masks and social distancing. For more information, please email John Bomberger at [jllkbom@verizon.net](mailto:jllkbom@verizon.net).

**Hesston's Bel Canto to perform at Ridgeview Mennonite Church:** Tuesday, **March 15, 7 p.m.** (Not March 14).

**Alive with 55 & Up:** Ridgeview Mennonite Church, **April 12**, 10 a.m. Pequea Valley High School Chamber Singers. Under Mr. Bankert's direction, the 42 member auditioned Chamber Singers from PVHS have received superior ratings and "Most Outstanding Choir" award in adjudicated festivals throughout Toronto Canada, New Jersey, Virginia, and Boston. A meal follows the program.