

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 envelope. Contact Pastor Dawn if you would like to have access to a camp scholarship in 2021.

Community News

Virtual Easter Choir: Forest Hills Mennonite Church is inviting all ACC churches to join in the virtual singing of "Christ the Lord is Risen Today." The recording will use the version from Hymnal: A Worship Book, verses 1, 2, and 4. Those from other ACC congregations are invited to sing and record themselves singing their part in their own home. Video submissions should be received by **Friday March 12**. If interested, email choir@foresthillschurch.org to receive instructions.

Prayer request for congregations in Western District Conference: Please pray for congregations in MC USA that have been hard hit by the recent snowstorm in Texas, exacerbating the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. In the face of these needs, Western District Conference's (WDC) Hope Fund — a mutual aid fund established to respond to COVID-19 — continues to support WDC congregations that demonstrate need in meeting immediate financial commitments, such as church rent and utilities, support for pastors, and assistance for congregation members and neighbors. Donations can be given at: <https://mennowdc.org> (Click on "Donate to WDC") or by sending a check to PO Box 306, North Newton, KS 67117.

Mennonite Church USA Executive Board met in late January and discussed a resolution to retire the denomination's Membership Guidelines. The resolution was forwarded to the Constituency Leaders Council for feedback. Read more about the meeting here: <https://www.mennoniteusa.org/retire-mg>.

Mennonite Historical Society Mini Bookworm Frolic: April 15 & 16, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. & **April 17**, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. \$3 hardbacks, \$1.50 paperbacks, half-price Saturday or fill a box for \$12. Indoor and outdoor shopping available. Must wear a mask & observe social distancing.

New Holland Mennonite Church

March 7, 2021 • Volume 66, No. 12
Sunday School: 9:00 a.m. • Worship: 10:00 a.m.



Theme: According to John, Jesus begins his ministry by showing more than telling. In the temple, Jesus disrupts and overturns the systems of corruption and profiteering taking place, but ultimately points us to the promise of restoration. Paul reminds the Corinthians (and us) that God's wisdom is more expansive than we can imagine. We are shown the way, even if God's "way" feels foolish, counter-cultural, disruptive, or uncomfortable.

Gathering & Praising God

Again and Again

The Many

Music by Hannah Rand. Lyrics by Lenora Rand. Commissioned by "A Sanctified Art" for Lent 2021. ©2021 Plural Guild Music.

Call to Worship

Pastor Dawn Ranck-Hower

Prayer for Illumination

God of Grace (WB 366)

*Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church
Virtual Choir with Ryan Jackson, Organ*

Hearing God's Voice

Conversation with Children Bryan Hower
Artwork: Overturn, by Rev. Lisle Gwynn Garrity
Scripture: John 2:13-22, 1 Corinthians 1:26-28
Sermon: "Again & Again We Are Shown the Way" *Lana Miller
Confession & Words of Assurance

Responding

Jesus Christ is Waiting (SJ 30)
"This is Us" Wanda Gonzalez-Bortzel & Mike Bortzel
Sharing and Announcements
Congregational Prayer Pastor Dawn Ranck-Hower
Prayer for Tithes and Offerings

Sending

God of the Bible (SJ 27)
Benediction

* **Lana Miller** is married to Andy. They have two children 9 and 6 years old. Lana works at Everence Financial as a Stewardship Consultant. In this role she provides educational resources and tools to faith-based non-profit organizations, to individual church attenders as well as pastors and church leaders as it relates to integrating money and finances into faith values and practices. She is an ordained minister in MC USA and has served in congregational, denominational, and overseas ministry. She most recently was a campus pastor at EMU before working at Everence. Lana enjoys being outside, taking walks and hikes, playing all kinds of games with her children and times of silence!

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

March 10: Bryan Hower & Dawn Ranck-Hower

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

March 8: Terra May

March 9: Anna Zurlo

March 11: Sarah Martin;

arch 12: Barbara Longenecker

March 14: Everardo Morales

Upcoming Events

All activities are on zoom unless otherwise stated.

Wednesday, March 10: 7:00 p.m. "Shine Bright Club"

Sunday, March 14

Sunday School: 9:00 am.

Worship: 10:00 a.m.

Worship Leader: Jen Morales

Sermon: Dawn Ranck-Hower

Congregational Prayer: Sue Martin

Children's Time: Lois Zimmerman

April 2, Good Friday worship, 7:00 p.m.

April 4, Easter Sunrise Service, Outdoors at 6:00 a.m.

Breakfast to follow.

February 14 (Zoom)

Attendance: 37 • **Church Offering:** \$750.00

As you are able, please mail your offerings to the church office.

Church News

Thank you for your prayers. I continue to regain strength. Tom Miller

When do we go back to church in the sanctuary? The Leadership Team is planning for the congregation to worship mostly through Zoom through the end of August, perhaps longer, depending on the numbers of infections in our area and the availability of vaccines. Outdoor services are planned once a month.

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. Drop off donations during March at the ELC (main door at the carport) from 6:15 a.m.-9 a.m. or 3:30-5:30 p.m. or contact Pastor Dawn to arrange a time between those hours. The coin bucket is in Pastor Dawn's office.

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