



New Holland Mennonite Church

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8:30 a.m. Coffee • 9:00 Sunday School • Worship: 10:00 a.m.

Called to Share

As the disciples begin to make sense of their life and calling after Jesus' resurrection, they discover that the gospel message is much larger than any had imagined. Peter learns that this good news is meant for everyone as he encounters a centurion shortly after a surprising vision. Paul and Barnabas are set apart for a specific mission to invite others, especially the Gentiles, to know God. As they travel, they remind those they write to and visit that all belong to Jesus. Paul encourages the believers to be unashamed of the gospel message, as they work together in partnership to share the good news.

Gathering & Praising God

Let's Walk Together (VT 6)

Call to Worship & Prayer

I Will Follow (VT 775)

Jenn Esbenshade

Keith Miller

Hearing God's Voice

Sharing our Tithes and Offerings

Scripture: Acts 13:1-3, 14:8-18 (CEB)

Conversation with Children

Sermon: "Remember Who You Are"

Keith Miller

Michele Good

John Denlinger *

Responding

Take My Life and Let It Be (VT 759)

Moment in the Neighborhood

"Spend a Day with Mr. Bill Hower"

Sharing & Announcements

Congregational Prayer

Feleen Nancarvis

Meals on Wheels

Steven Lantz

Sending

We are One in the Spirit (VT 387)

Benediction

* John Denlinger grew up on a dairy farm as the oldest brother of eight children of Martin Diffenbach Denlinger and Lydia Hershey Hostetter Denlinger. He has been married to Debbie for 47 years. They have 3 married adult children and 6 grandchildren. John is recently retired, a heart transplant survivor, and has served as a teacher, coach, pastor, mentor and administrator. His hobbies are working outside their house, spending time at their cabin in the woods, at the beach and riding motorcycle. John loves the Lord and he loves people.

Coffee: Evelyn Bailey; **Greeters:** Michele, Mike, Ellie, Maggie Good

Close: Jim Bailey; **Sound:** Davin & Kai Esbenshade

Gather & Count Offering: Mike Good & Wade Esbenshade

NEXT SUNDAY: May 7

Coffee: Judy Schweitzer; **Greeters:** Michele, Mike, Ellie, Maggie Good

Close: Mike Bortzel; **Worship Leader:** Wanda Gonzalez-Bortzel

Song Leader: Jenn Esbenshade

Sermon: Sue Martin; **Children's Time:** Jen Morales

Prayer: Keith Miller; **Sound:** Davin & Kai Esbenshade

Gather & Count Offering: Wanda Gonzalez-Bortzel & Francy Bailey

UPCOMING EVENTS

All events are at New Holland Mennonite Church unless otherwise indicated

May 13: Men's Breakfast: 7 a.m. Eli's Restaurant

May 17: Women's Dinner: 6 p.m. Garden Spot Village

May 26: Garden Church

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)

April 23

Attendance: 38 (7 on zoom) • **Church Offering: \$1,600.00**

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

May 2: Nyvani Molina

Church News

Congratulations to Kylah Morales who is graduating from Eastern University on **May 6** with a degree in Bio Chemistry.

Surgery: Pastor Dawn will be having lung surgery on **Wednesday, May 3**. She will be out of the office at least until May 15, possibly longer. Please hold Dawn and Bryan in your prayers. Contact Lois Zimmerman for pastor care concerns.

Fellowship Meal: Bring a hot and/or cold dish to share and your own place settings. Hot dish should be in a slow cooker. We will not be using the oven. The meal will be served in the lobby and begin approximately 15 minutes after service is over. (This will enable everyone to attend the morning service). Let Evelyn Bailey know if you are available to help.

Graduation Comforter: Please sign the cloth in the lobby for Davin. This is the back of a comforter that will be given to him for his high school graduation. Let's wrap Davin in our love and support.

Core Values: On April 23 we looked at how we are already living out our core values and areas where God might be calling us to live out each value. Read what others have written on the board and add your own thoughts. The boards will be in the sanctuary until May 14. Feel free to take magnets with the core value statement on them. Put it on your refrigerator where you can read it often and memorize it.

CrossNet Food Drive: Our congregation will be collecting food for the Food Pantry during the month of May. Needed (please make sure they haven't expired): Juice (Large 32 oz bottles for families), tuna, canned fruit, cereal, pasta, pasta sauce, minute rice, canned vegetables, pancake mix, brownie mix, sugar, crackers, dish detergent, laundry detergent, cleaning supplies.

Upcoming Adult & Youth Sunday School Classes

April 30-May 14 Anabaptism at Five Hundred *

May 21: How NHMC addresses Social and Cultural Changes over the past 100 years.

* **Anabaptism at Five Hundred: The Anabaptist Community Bible Project:** In 2025 Anabaptism will celebrate 500 years! We will participate in helping to create an "Anabaptist Community Bible" featuring notes in the margins from over 500 Anabaptist study groups from around the world.

Garden Church: Feeding BODY (enjoy a meal together), **MIND** (worship together), **and SOUL** (work in the garden). **Friday evening, May 25.** 5-6 p.m. work in garden (weed, water, harvest), 6-6:30 p.m. simple meal of soup and bread, 6:30-7:30 p.m. worship service for all ages, 7:30 p.m. S'mores around bonfire. Come for all OR part of the evening. All ages are encouraged to participate! Bring water bottles or glasses, chairs or blankets for meal and worship, wear old clothes to work in garden, bring gloves & watering can. **Future Dates: Friday, June 23, Friday, July 28, Friday, August 25.** (There will be no worship service on Sunday May 27, June 25, July 30, or August 27). We will move into the sanctuary for the meal and worship if it rains. Planned by Michele Good, Ray Hurst, Jen Morales & Dawn Ranck-Hower

Social Events: The Leadership Team suggests having 3-4 social events each year. These events can be relaxed and simple or more involved such as planning a dinner and entertainment. The events could be at church, at a park, or at your house. **Contact Steve Lantz if you would like to plan a social event for the church** in the fall or winter.

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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