



New Holland Mennonite Church

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

Gathering & Praising God

Oh, for a Thousand Tongues (VT 764) Jenn Esbenshade
Call to Worship & Prayer Pastor Dawn Ranck-Hower
My Lighthouse (VT 597)

Hearing God's Voice

Conversation with Children Dawn Kaczor
Scripture: Luke 7:1-17
Sermon: "Notes of Dissonance" Jonathan Bowman*

Responding

In the Quiet Curve of Evening (VT 587)
Sharing and Announcements
Congregational Prayer Pastor Dawn Ranck-Hower
Announcements

Sending

Healer of Our Every Ill (VT 644)
Benediction

Coffee/Nursery: Ray Hurst; **Greeters:** Brenda & Ray Hurst
Close: Tim Martin; **Sound:** Mike Good
Offering: Brenda Martin Hurst & Sue Martin

* **Jonathan Bowman** has been a teacher, software developer, IT director, and pastor, and lives in Landisville with his wife Beth, where they amuse themselves watching two teenage kids, Caleb and Naomi, grow up. He works at Cargas in downtown Lancaster as a software engineer, which is way more fun than it sounds. He likes reading science fiction, thinking and sharing about technology and faith, and interacting with others in their home congregation, Lancaster Brethren in Christ.

February 2

Attendance: 35 (5 on Zoom) • **Offering:** \$1,050.00

NEXT SUNDAY: February 16

Coffee/Greeter: Judy Schweitzer; **Close:** Jim Bailey

Song Leader: Jenn Esbenshade

Worship Leader: Brenda Martin Hurst

Nursery: Lois Zimmerman; **Sermon:** Dawn Ranck-Hower

Children's Time: Ray Hurst; **Prayer:** Keith Miller

Sound: Bryan Hower; **Offering:** Brenda Hurst & Sue Martin

UPCOMING EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

All events are at New Holland Mennonite Church unless otherwise indicated

Anabaptist Bible Note of Interest: Several years ago our adult Sunday School class studied several passages for the new Anabaptist Bible. Look for notes from the class about these passages in your new Bible! I Chronicles 16:37-43, I Chronicles 17-18, I Corinthians 1:1-17, Proverbs 19:3-12

Tuesday, February 11: Mennonite Action Planning Training Webinar: Open to everyone, including people who aren't joining the February Peace School series. Information presented about planning a "God's Love Knows No Borders" in our local community in February or March. Additional information and registration link provided in weekly email updates.

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.

Tuesday, February 11, 6 p.m. at Garden Spot Fire & Rescue:
Celebrate New Holland at 300 AND

Tuesday, February 18, 1 p.m. at Garden Spot Village Chapel:
Celebrate New Holland at 300

Learn about what is being planned to celebrate the coming of Europeans to this region 300 years ago. Consider how our congregation might be involved in telling the story of this community. Note: both presentations are the same). Link to additional information provided in weekly email updates.

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)

Wednesday, February 12: Mennonite Central Committee: Invitation to Hospitality and Solidarity with Immigrant Communities, 2 p.m. The MCC Immigration Network will host a webinar for individuals and congregations who want to learn how they can support immigrants in their congregations and communities. How can we, in this moment, offer hospitality and love to our immigrant neighbors? Newly elected President Trump and his administration have promised to conduct mass deportations. How should Christians react to increased immigration enforcement, family separation, and racial discrimination? Join us to learn from the expertise of Saulo Padilla, MCC U.S. Migration Education Coordinator, and Rachel Diaz, Immigration Attorney with MCC East Coast. They will highlight what legal rights immigrants have, and what they can do to prepare for the possibility of detention or deportation. The webinar will be centered on the ways all of us can support those at risk of being uprooted. Presenters will share resources and opportunities to become more deeply involved in the work of welcome. Registration link provided in weekly email updates.

Wednesday, February 19: Women's Dinner at Garden Spot Village, 5:30 p.m.

Thursday, February 20: Mennonite Action February Mass Call: Join gather community, get updates about upcoming "God's Love Knows No Border" actions, hear reports from chapters digging in on local organizing, and receive updates about the Trump administration. Additional information and registration link provided in weekly email updates.

Wednesday, March 5: Ash Wednesday: 6:30 p.m. Everything [in] Between: Intention & Action. Jesus sets out for Jerusalem. The "would-be followers" have good intentions. They want to follow Jesus, but Jesus calls them to put their money where their mouths are. Somewhere between good intentions and impulsive actions lies discipleship. On Ash Wednesday, we make a commitment to align our intentions and our actions.

Thursday, March 6: Men's Dinner at Garden Spot Village Concord Room. Room is reserved from 5:30-8:00. Food is available to purchase until 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, March 19: Women's Dinner at Garden Spot Village Concord Room, Room is reserved from 5:30-8:00, Food is available to purchase until 6:30 p.m.

Monday, March 24: CrossNet Meal, 5:30 p.m. Let Pastor Dawn know by Monday noon if you want space reserved at the Early Learning Center Tables.

Friday: April 4: Book Club: RSVP by Wednesday, April 1, 7 p.m. at Bryan & Dawn's house (112 Huyard Ave, New Holland), Led by Francy Bailey, Book: *Midwives*, by Christ Bohjalian

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