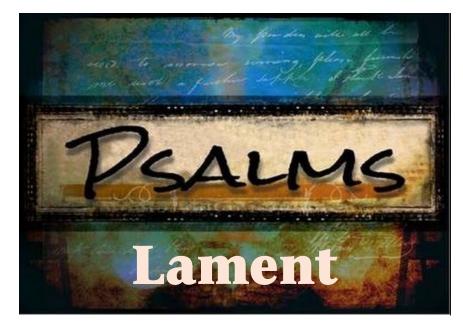


April 25, 2021 • Volume 66, No. 17 Sunday School: 9:00 a.m. • Worship: 10:00 a.m.



Scripture Summary: This psalm of lament calls upon God's faithfulness to deliver the psalmist from suffering that is cause, in great part, by the psalmist's faithfulness to God. The psalmist, though weary from waiting, remains persistent, knowing that God will answer his please and deliver him in God's own time.

Gathering & Praising God

Choir & Orchestra of St. Lillian Here I Am. Lord Call to Worship/Prayer **Bryan Hower** *Rain, come down (Voices Together 634)*

Hearing God's Voice

Conversation with Children Scripture: Psalm 69:1-16 Sermon: "Psalms of Lament"

Jenn Esbenshade Brvan Hower Dawn Ranck-Hower

Responding

Healer of our every ill (WB 377) Atlantic Coast Conference Spring Conference Ruth Carrasco Nickels for Neighbors **Dawn Ranck-Hower** Sharing and Announcements

Congregational Prayer

Lois Zimmerman

Sending

O healing river (WB 372) Benediction

April 18

Attendance: 50 Church Offering: \$1,990 Camp Scholarship (Total to date): \$290

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

April 28: Joan Brubaker & Elsa Lantz May 2: Nyvani Molina

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

April 27: Everardo & Jen Morales April 28: Mike Bortzel & Wanda Gonzalez-Bortzel

Upcoming Events

All activities are on zoom unless otherwise stated. Wednesday, April 28: Shine Bright Club, 7:00 p.m. Sunday, May 2 (Outdoor Worship) Worship: 6:30 p.m. (NOTE CHANGE OF TIME) Worship Leader: Sue Martin Sermon: Pastor Dawn Ranck-Hower **Congregational Prayer: Ray Hurst** Children's Time: Jen Morales Saturday, May 22: Rest for the Weary Silent Retreat, 9 a.m.-noon

Church News

Refugee Resettlement Welcome Team: Jenn Esbenshade is giving leadership to team of people who will resettle a refugee family through Church World Services. Contact Jenn if you would like more information or to sign up to be on the welcome team. *"I was hungry and you gave me food to eat. I was thirsty and you gave me a drink. I was a stranger and you welcomed me."* (Matthew 25:35)

Rest for the Weary: Silent Retreat

Saturday, May 22. 9 a.m. -Noon Led by Pastor Dawn outdoors at the church

"Come to me, all you who are struggling hard and carrying heavy loads, and I will give you rest. Put on my yoke, and learn from me. I'm gentle and humble. And you will find rest for yourselves. My yoke is easy to bear, and my burden is light." — Jesus

Space to *BE*, and to open yourself—your soul, your eyes, your ears to the One who *IS*, who lives in us, surrounds us, carried us, calls to us, calls to us, knows us and loves us deeply.

RSVP to Pastor Dawn by Wednesday, May 19.

Community News

New Congregation: On Saturday, April 18, Atlantic Coast Conference delegates voted overwhelmingly to welcome Grace and Peace Mennonite Church to the ACC family. The congregation is a primarily virtual congregation with most members based in the New York City area.

Free webinar: Refugee & Immigration Updates from Church World Service: Wednesday, April 28, 6:30 -7:30 pm. Learn about recent updates to national refugee and immigration policy and how congregations can partner with Church World Service (CWS) to assist refugee families resettle locally. Registration required at ibit.ly/ITsH

Caring for God's Earth: A Hopeful Response to the Climate Crisis, Friday-Saturday, May 7-8. This two-day event with both virtual and in-person components will equip and give hope to current and developing church leaders and others concerned about climate change. This event is offered by the Center for Sustainable Climate Solutions, Mennonite Central Committee East Coast, and the Peace & Justice Committee of Atlantic Coast Conference. Info and registration at atlanticcoastconference.net/ gods-earth. Registration required.

MCCL (Mennonite Children's Choir) Concerts: Saturday,
May 15 (rain date May 22), 2:30 p.m. & 4:15 p.m. Lancaster
Mennonite School Turf Field. MCCL with The Walking Roots
Band. No tickets needed. Sunday, May 16 (rain date May 23),
2:30-4:45 p.m. Experience music from nine groups by the Mill
Stream. Guests will receive a sampling of local foods to enjoy.
Bring a chair or blanket. Tickets required. Lancaster Mennonite
School Grounds. MCCL with local guest artists. Sunday, June 6,
7 p.m., Mt. Gretna Tabernacle. Freewill offering. Details:
mennonitechildrenschoir.org/2021/04/mccl-spring-2021concerts/ Let's support choir member Seth Lantz.

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