WELCOME TO

STAHL MENNONITE CHURCH

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March 24, 2024

MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE – 10:30 A.M.

Theme: Lent 5: Christ Among Us, the Way of a Servant

Worship Leader: Joy Cotchen Music: Stahl Musicians

Preservice Music: "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"

from "The Soil and the Seed" Vol 9

Welcome and Announcements

Lighting the Peace Lamp

Visual

Gathering Songs: "Jesus Is Coming" – VT 312

"Hosanna, Loud Hosanna" – VT 313

Call to Worship:

All: Hosanna! Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord!

One: Christ among us, humble and riding on a donkey.

Many: Hosanna! Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord!

One: Christ among us, God's light shining on us!

Many: Hosanna! Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord!

One: Christ among us, showing the way of a servant.

Prayer

Singing: "Jesus Shall Reign" – VT 414

Story Time: "The Quilt Makers Gift" by Jeff Brumbeau

and Gail de Marcken

Scripture: Mark 11:1-11

Message: "The Giant *," – Jayne

Prayer of Confession and Response:

One: When we get caught up in embracing the world's power,

Many: forgive us.

One: When we lose sight of the humble donkey and put our

trust in horses of war,

Many: remind us of this Palm Sunday.

One: When we begin to get sucked into the darkness of the

"now,"

Many: bring us once again the peace of looking toward the "not vet."

Sending Song: "My Soul Cries Out" – VT 412

Sending Words: Philippians 2:5–11

Bulletin Editor for March: Norma Alwine – 814-288-1914 **St. Francis Sharing & Caring Item for March:** Toilet Paper

Offering: 03/17/2024 – \$1,948.70 – General Fund

5.00 – Lahash \$1,953.70 – Total March Mission Offering: Lahash Rice and Beans

Fri., Mar 29, 7:00: Good Friday Service

Sun., Mar 31, 6:45am: Easter Sunrise Service and Breakfast at

Hunsberger Farm

Wed., Apr 3, 6:30: Church Council Apr 4 & 5: Jayne called to Jury Duty Fri., Apr. 26, 8:30am: Lay Leaders May-July: Jayne's Sabbatical

Happy Birthday: Wish the following a Happy Birthday today or by sending them a card this week: Wed., Mar 27 – Floyd Lehman; Fri., Mar 29 – Debra Gates

Jayne hopes to be in the office on Wed and Thurs. She can be contacted at any time by calling or texting 330-224-3944 or emailing stahlmennonite@gmail.com.

Hearing assistance headphones are available at the back of the sanctuary.

During the Sundays of Lent, we will be using a new way to share prayer requests. Prayer cards are available with the bulletins. Please write your prayer request and get it to the worship leader before the end of the gathering song. It will be added to the opening prayer.

We will be having an Easter Sunrise Service at Hunsberger Farm on Mar 31 at 6:45 (the sun will rise at 7:00). This will be followed by a breakfast. If you would like to contribute to the breakfast, see the sign up sheet on the table in the foyer. We will have our regular Sunday morning Easter Worship at the church at 10:30.

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Mission Offering for March is Lahash Rice and Beans. Lahash partners with local ministries across East Africa and the Rice and Beans project provides meals to hundreds of the most vulnerable children.

Don't forget about the **Activity Table located in the back of the sanctuary, just under the nursery windows.** There are supplies there for children as well as other creative folks to use to help engage the morning worship with paper, color, or other art supplies. Anyone of any age is welcome to see what is there to enhance your worship. Please return any unused supplies to the table after worship ends.

Thank you for the generous giving. Your continued giving is what will keep the ministry of Stahl Mennonite Church active for the year ahead. As always, you can give in the offering plate in the back or mail in your offering to the church address. Electronic giving has proven to be a helpful way to continue regular offerings, even if you are unable to be here in person. This gives you the opportunity to make your gift recurring. See our website, Stahlmennonite.org, to get started if you haven't used this yet. (Remember that you can cover the cost of processing the donation as well.)

As Covid and other respiratory virus increase over the winter, if you feel more comfortable masking to avoid possible exposure, please feel free to do so. We can all support one another in our efforts to remain healthy.

****** PRAYER REOUESTS***********

Kathy Holsopple	Dan Gates' Mother	Pat Cotchen
Shawn Smith	Lydia Lehman	Riley Allen
Gerry Fix	Todd Euen Family (Death)	Hunter