

WELCOME TO  
**STAHL MENNONITE CHURCH**

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**March 31, 2024**

**MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE – 10:30 A.M.**

**Theme: Easter Sunday: Christ Among Us**

**Worship Leader:** Joy Cotchen

**Music:** Stahl Musicians

**Preservice Music:** “They Have Taken Him”  
from “The Soil and the Seed” Vol 9

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Lighting the Peace Lamp**

**Visual**

**Gathering Songs:** VT 346 “Christ the Lord is Risen Today”  
VT 353 “Now the Green Blade Rises”

**Call to worship:**

One: When it is still dark, we come seeking Jesus.

**Many:** The risen Christ is here among us!

One: The stone has been rolled away, walls torn down.

**Many:** The risen Christ is here among us!

One: The burial cloth removed; his body transformed.

**Many:** The risen Christ is here among us!

One: Mary Magdalene, Simon Peter, and John see and believe.

**All:** *We find the risen Christ among us who has made all things new!  
The tomb is empty, the way of Love has prevailed!*

One: Peace be with you!

**Many: Peace be with you!**

**Prayer**

**Singing:** VT 333 “Low in the Grave He Lay”

**Story Time:** “The Ragman” by Walter Wangerin Jr.

**Special Music:** "He is Among Us" from The Potter’s Gate  
sung by Rachel Allen

**Scripture:** Mark 16:1-8

**Message:** “Don’t Stop Short” - Jayne

**Prayer of Rejoicing:**

One: Risen Jesus, you make all things new.

**Many: You call us by name  
to come to you.**

One: You come preaching peace  
and forgiving sins.

**Many: You prepare a feast for us  
and wipe away all tears.**

**All: You bring life everlasting.  
We rejoice in your salvation,  
Lord of all!**

**Sending Song:** VT 359 “Christ is Alive! Let Christians Sing”

**Sending Words**

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**Bulletin Editor for April:** Ellen Lehman – 814-288-1961

**St. Francis Sharing & Caring Item for April:** Toilet Paper

**Offering:** 03/24/2024 – \$2,228.70 – General Fund

120.00 – Lahash

\$2,348.70 – Total

March Mission Offering: Lahash Rice and Beans

Wed., Apr 3, 6:30: Church Council

Apr 4 & 5: Jayne called to Jury Duty

Apr. 22-25: AMC Pastor’s Spring Bible Study at Laurelville

Fri., Apr. 26, 8:30am: Lay Leaders

May-July: Jayne’s Sabbatical

\*\*\*\*\*NOTES & ANNOUNCEMENTS\*\*\*\*\*

**Happy Birthday:** Wish the following a Happy Birthday today or by sending them a card  
this week: Tue., Apr 2 – Jared Mishler

**Jayne hopes to be in the office on Wed. She will be on jury duty Thursday and Friday.** She can be contacted at any time by calling or texting 330-224-3944 or emailing [stahlmennonite@gmail.com](mailto:stahlmennonite@gmail.com).

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

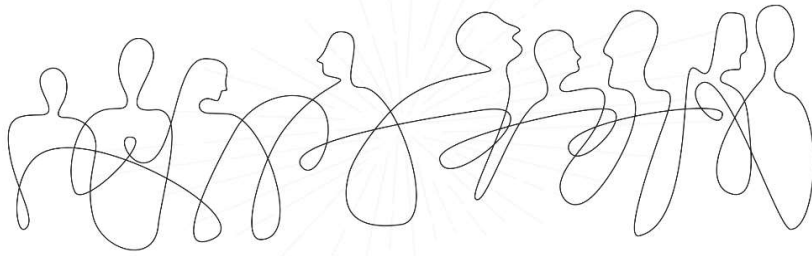
**Thank you to Hunsbergers for hosting our Easter Sunrise Service and Breakfast.**

**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.

**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.

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# CHRIST *among* US

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**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](http://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 REQUESTS**\*\*\*\*\*

Hannah Breidenbaugh

Rhonda Baldwin

Ellen Lehman

Kathy Holsopple

Shaun Smith

Pat Cotchen

Dan Gates' Mother

Lydia Lehman

Gerry Fix