

WELCOME TO
STAHL MENNONITE CHURCH

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April 18, 2021

MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE – 10:30 A.M.

Theme: Encountering Jesus

Worship Leader: Bill Hunsberger

Music: Bill & Jeanette Hunsberger and Olivia Schlosser

Welcome and announcements

Lighting the Peace Lamp

Gathering music

Psalm 4 from “Psalms for Praying”

Call to worship

L: We gather in the name of the living Christ to worship God.

P: Surely, God is in this place and calls us to worship in spirit and in truth.

L: God’s love is for you and for all people everywhere.

P: That we may share God’s love and life, may we be renewed in the refreshing Spirit of the living Christ.

L: The living Christ is with us.

P: Praise the Lord!

Prayer

Sharing Our Joys and Concerns: *“God of Love, Hear our Prayer”*

Music

Scripture: Luke 24:36b-48 (The Voice)

Message: “Jesus Among Them” – Jayne

I believe

I awaken to

Jesus Christ

**the one who walked our earth
and whose God-light shone through**

God’s only son

the one whose life came from the very life of God

our Lord

our guide, our teacher, our friend

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit

whose life was an intent of God’s creative imagination

born of the Virgin Mary

who sang love’s song at his beginning and was blessed

suffered under Pontius Pilate

rejected by the powers of the world

was crucified

executed by those same powers

died

sharing the same death of us all

and was buried

love had been killed

he descended to the dead

and they thought this the end

but on the third day

nothing could contain, bind or hold the life Jesus began

he rose again

and the story continues to be believed

of renewal, transformation and life again.

I believe in

I awaken to

Jesus

Sending Music

Sending Words

Bulletin Editor for April: Shana Lichtenfels – 288-0171

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

Offering: 04/11/2021 – \$2,112.70 = Regular

_____ 5.00 = Highland Health Clinic

\$2,117.70 = TOTAL

*****COMING EVENTS*****

April Mission Offering –Highland Health (free clinic) of Johnstown
Wed., Apr. 28, 7:00 p.m. – Racism Discussion Group via Zoom
Wed., May 5, 7:00 p.m. - Church Council
Tue., May 11, 6:30 p.m. - Lay Leaders
May 30-June 6 - Jayne on Vacation

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

Happy Birthday: Wish the following a Happy Birthday today or send them a card this week: Sat. April 24 – Martha Lehman

Happy Anniversary: Wish the following a Happy Anniversary or send them a card this week: Wed. April 21 – Dave & Cathy Miller

Jayne will be in the office on Wednesday and Friday. She is available via texting or phone at any time by calling 330-224-3944 or send an email to stahlmennonite@gmail.com.

Mission offering for April will be Highland Health. This is the Johnstown free *medical Clinic* which provides free *medical* and pharmaceutical care to uninsured people across the greater Johnstown region.

We are looking for additional persons to help run the sound system on Sunday mornings to give more flexibility to those who currently do this. If you are interested in being trained, let Jayne or Bill Horsley or Dan Ross know. Who knows, it could be fun!!

You likely noticed that the pews are no longer “roped off”. This does **not** mean we are no longer socially distancing. Lay Leaders observed that as our in-person worship numbers increase we have fewer spaces to sit and the spaces available were becoming crowded. We opened up the pews in hopes that social distancing will continue, but that we have more available seats. Thanks for your continued consideration of keeping one another healthy as we find our way through this pandemic. Also, a reminder to leave the building (contained space) and visit outside after worship where there is better air circulation.



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Johnstown, Pennsylvania

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