

WELCOME TO
STAHL MENNONITE CHURCH

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May 1, 2022

MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE – 10:30 A.M.

Theme: Diversity: God's Design

Worship Leader: Jeanette Hunsberger

Music Leaders: Rachel Allen & Leah Rittenhouse

Welcome and Announcements

Lighting the Peace Lamp

Gathering Music

Call to Worship:

We praise our Creator God, for the diversity of our world

And for the life God has breathed into all things

for the colors we see

the sounds we hear

the textures we feel

for the large

and the small

the fierce

and the timid

we thank God for our creation,

perfect in its design and purpose,

perfect in its diversity and unity.

Adapted from litany written by John Birch

Prayer

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

Music

Scripture: Revelation 7:9-12

Message: “Coram Deo” Jayne

Discussion Question

When have you been in a situation where you were in the minority?

How did that feel? How did you act?

What does this have to do with the church?

Sharing responses

Response: Prayer for Unity

Sending Song

Sending Words

Bulletin Editor for May: Shelly Kerchner – 814-691-0393

Church Sign for May: Chris Lehman

Front Table for May: Chris Lehman

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

Offering: 04/24/2022 – \$ 260.00 – Free Clinic

\$ 25.00 – Benevolence

\$ 2502.02

\$ 2787.02 = TOTAL

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

May Mission Offering: MCUSA Justice Fund

Wed., May 4, 7:00 pm: Church Council

Mon.-Sun., May 9-15: Jayne taking vacation time off

Wed., May 18: Lay Leaders

Fri.–Mon., May 27-30: MCUSA Special Delegate Gathering in
Kansas City

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

Happy Birthday: Wish the following a Happy Birthday today or send them a card this week: Today, Sun., May 1 – Gabriel Lehman; Fri., May 6 – Joyce Telenko; Sat., May 7 – Sonya Horsley

Jayne will be in the office on Wednesday and Friday. She is available for emergency contact by texting or calling 330-224-3944 or emailing stahlmennonite@gmail.com. Contact one of the Lay Leaders with any other needs.

The Mission Offering for May is Mennonite Church USA Justice Fund. The Justice Fund will use donations to provide grants for MC USA congregations that are engaging in their communities to dismantle racism and to build peace. The MC USA Justice Fund is part of the denomination's #BringThePeace initiative which is a call to action for individuals and congregations to extend peace in their communities. It is also a prayer inviting God to bring the peace that expands our capacity for empathy, compassion and love that actively seeks to dismantle oppression and violence.

We have become aware that some of our new hymnals are missing pages or repeating pages. If you find a hymnal that is incorrect please let Jayne know.

Please change the phone number in your directory for Mark Blasko. His new number is: 814-270-0263. He would love to get calls or cards or visits! He is still at the Cambria Care Center, 429 Manor Dr, Ebensburg, PA 15931.

Rosie & Tim Lehman are putting together a **Pittsburgh Pirate trip** for Saturday June 18th. Leaving Davidsville Community Church at 12 noon. Cost is \$36. Includes bus and ticket with \$5 put back on ticket towards food. Contact Tim Lehman at 814-421-1722 by May 10th if you would like to go.



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Johnstown, Pennsylvania

We commit to love and obey God, and through the power of the Holy Spirit follow Jesus, sharing the story of God's love, forgiveness, and grace, making God's kingdom of peace and justice more present on Earth.

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