

**WELCOME TO
STAHL MENNONITE CHURCH**

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May 15, 2022

MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE – 10:30 A.M.

Theme: Diversity: God’s Design
“We Are God’s Family”

Worship Leader: Deb Gates

Music Leaders: Leah Rittenhouse

Welcome and Announcements

Lighting the Peace Lamp

Gathering Music

Call to Worship

Prayer

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

Music

Scripture: Exodus 3:1-15

Message: “We Are God’s Family” by Jason Storbakken

Discussion Questions:

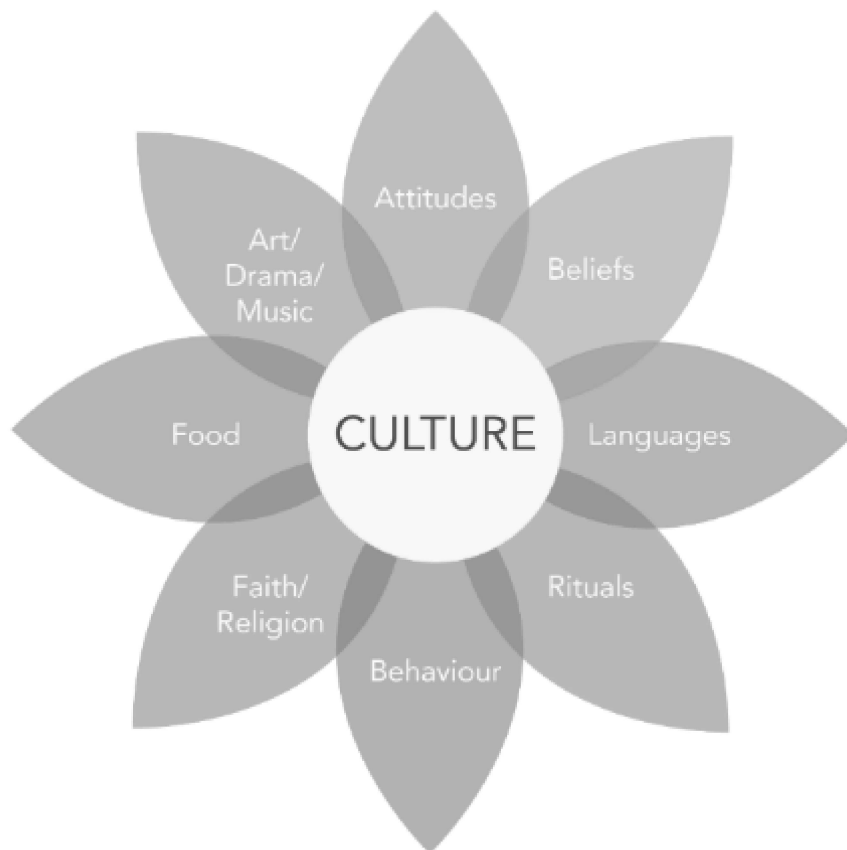
1. Looking at the cultural flower, what are aspects of your culture?
2. How has your culture influenced where you live and who you interact with?
3. When have you interacted with others from a different culture, whose “flower” looks very different? What was that experience like for you? Which one of these petals is the most difficult to navigate across cultures?

Sharing responses

Response: “We Are God’s Family” by Tara Downer

Sending Music

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: 05/08/2022 – \$ 1,095.00 – General

100.00 – Free Clinic

10.00 – MC USA Justice Fund

\$ 1,205.00 = TOTAL

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

May Mission Offering: MCUSA Justice Fund

May 9-15: Jayne taking vacation time off

May 18, 4:00: Lay Leaders

May 27-30: MCUSA Special Delegate Gathering in Kansas City

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

Happy Birthday: Wish the following a Happy Birthday and Anniversary today or send them a card this week: Mon., May 16 - Jeffrey Dombrosky, Ron & Joyce Telenko (A), Wed., May 18 - Shana Lichtenfels, Thurs., May 19 - Myles Shetler and Neil Lehman, Fri., May 20 - Lauren Cotchen.

Jayne will be out of the office this week taking vacation time. If you have a need, please contact one of the Lay Leaders: Bill Hunsberger, Sonya Horsley, Joy Cotchen.

We celebrate with our graduates this month:

- **Tori Dombrosky** graduating from Conemaugh Township High School.
- **Riley Allen** graduating from Carlo University, BA in Psychology and Gender Studies.
- **Jacob Horsley** graduating from Eastern Mennonite University, BA in Computer Science and Peacebuilding and Development.
- **Justin Byler** graduating from Kent State University, Master of Architecture

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.

Joy and Leah would love to see their summer camp golf cart replaced that was destroyed in the fire at Laurelville. A good used golf cart is around \$4,000. Laurelville will match up to \$2,000. They are taking donations towards the purchase. You can make checks out to Laurelville and give to Joy or Leah. Thanks in advance for your help!



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Johnstown, Pennsylvania

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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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Thank you for your continued generous giving of your finances. Without each of you we would not be able to do the work of the church. The beginning of the year, with winter weather and lingering Covid concerns, has us **off to a slow start in our finances.** Hopefully as we get out more and warmer weather comes, giving will increase. As always, you can give in the offering plate in the back of the sanctuary on Sunday mornings or mail your offering to the church or to Kathy Thomas (our new assistant treasurer). You can also give electronically on our website. (Remember that you have the option to cover the cost of processing the donation as well.) This can easily be set up as a recurring offering, so you don't have to worry about finding the checkbook each week! However, you give, know that the work of Stahl Mennonite Church cannot happen without it!

Because of the decline in Covid 19 cases, CDC recommendations for masking have eased. Conemaugh Medical Center has also moved into "green" phase because of low covid numbers. Therefore, **Lay Leaders are recommending we make masking optional in** who has been vaccinated. Thanks for your patience and care **for our worship gatherings.** If you are immunocompromised or are protecting someone in your household, you may choose to continue masking, but we are no longer recommending this for everyone's health.

***** **PRAYER REQUESTS** *****

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