

**WELCOME TO  
STAHL MENNONITE CHURCH**

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**May 29, 2022**

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

**Theme:** Diversity: God’s Design  
“Us-vs-Them”

**Worship Leader:** Joy Cotchen

**Music Leaders:** Rachel and Leah

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Lighting the Peace Lamp**

**Gathering Music**

**Call to Worship:**

**Prayer:** (based on Psalm 133:1)

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

Prayer for Mennonite Church USA Special Delegate Session

**Music**

**Scripture:** Acts 10:1-23, 34-35, 44-48

**Message:** “Us vs. Them” Sermon by Sue Park-Hur

Discussion Question

1. Name spaces that are polarized because of culture.
2. What non-verbal, subjective culture have you experienced in your home, school, church or community? (The iceberg below the water)
3. How have images on social media or other visual platforms contributed positively or negatively to your perspective of other cultures?

**Sharing responses**

**Response:** “Us vs. Them” by Tiara Downer

**Sending Music**

**Sending Words**

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

**Church Sign for June:** Neil and Ellen Lehman

**Front Table for June:**

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

**Offering:** 05/22/2022 – \$ 2406.80 General Fund

\$70.00 MCUSA Justice Fund

\$ 2476.80 Total

\*\*\*\*\* **COMING EVENTS** \*\*\*\*\*

**May Mission Offering:** MCUSA Justice Fund

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

**June 3, 4:00:** Worship Committee

**June 5, 4-6:** School’s Out Hot Dog Roast

**June 15, 7:00:** Church Council

**June 19-24:** Jayne Bible Teacher at Laurelville Summer Camp

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

**Jayne will be in the office on Wednesday. She will be traveling to Kansas City on Friday-Monday for the MCUSA Special Delegate Session.** She is available other times by texting or calling 330-224-3944 or emailing [stahlmennonite@gmail.com](mailto:stahlmennonite@gmail.com) If an emergency arises. 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.

**Mennonite Church USA (MC USA) Executive Board and staff are encouraging conferences, congregations, and constituents to come together in prayer and fasting** ahead of and during the Special Session of Delegate Assembly, May 27-30. In Kansas City, Missouri. Delegates have significant work to do during the four-day assembly. Four proposed resolutions – addressing important topics, such as denominational polity, LGBTQ inclusion, accessibility for people with disabilities and justice in our criminal legal system – will be discussed and/or voted on at the Delegate Assembly. To see agenda items and resolutions go to [mennoniteusa.org/special-delegate-session-22/](http://mennoniteusa.org/special-delegate-session-22/)

Sunday, June 5 from 4-6pm. Let us celebrate **schools out and summer is beginning with a hot dog roast at the church.** Hot dogs, smores and drinks will be provided, you are welcome to bring a side dish if you'd like. We will have a bouncy house and face painting for the kids. Any questions please ask Joy.

**During the summer we are in need of song leaders** because Leah and Rachel will be unavailable many Sundays. If you would like to lead any Sunday, please let Jayne know. We will also have an opportunity each week during worship for a "song offering". Anyone can lead one song of their choosing or offer an instrumental musical piece. No need to notify ahead for this... just come ready to raise your hand and offer some music!

During the summer you might have **flowers from your garden you would like to share on the front table.** Just bring them along and they can be added!



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Johnstown, Pennsylvania

May 29, 2022

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.

**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!

**Covid numbers are rising once again. If you feel the need to mask for your own health or to protect the health of others, you are encouraged to do so.** Lay leaders will continue to monitor this rise. You are also strongly encouraged to congregate for visiting outside (weather permitting). Thanks, again, for your patients and care for one another's health.

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