

WELCOME TO
STAHL MENNONITE CHURCH

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June 12, 2022

MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE – 10:30 A.M.

Theme: Let the Children Come

Worship Leader: Shelly Kerchner

Music Leaders: Rachel Allen

Welcome and announcements

Lighting the Peace Lamp

Gathering music

Call to worship

The first shall be last.

We come to worship as we are.

The last shall be first.

We come with confidence.

The first shall be last.

We come with questions.

The last shall be first.

We come burdened by failure.

The first shall be last.

We come celebrating success.

The last shall be first.

We come fearful of the future.

The first shall be last

and the last shall be first

and a little child shall lead them.

~ written by Katherine Hawker,

Prayer

Sharing our joys and concerns: *“God of Love, Hear our Prayer”*

Music

Scripture: Mark 9:33-37; 10:13-16

Message: by Lydia Shaffer from Orphan Care Alliance

Sharing questions and responses

Litany of Response:

God of all and not just some,

We confess that when some have too much and others too little,
we have not proclaimed your justice.

When some have been surrounded by love and others excluded,
we have not reached out with your radical inclusion.

When some have been set on easy paths forward
and others left to stumble over obstacles,
we have not cleared the way as Jesus admonished.

When some are nurtured and others abandoned,
we have not embraced them with your love.

When some are encouraged and others disheartened,
we have not spoken your word of hope.

Forgive us, we pray,
for the ways we have not lived up
**to the scope of your vision,
the depth of your love,
the wideness of your embrace.**

God of all and not just some,
help us to embody your love and speak your justice
**until every child may live into the fullness of the
promise for which you created them.**

We pray these things in the name of Jesus
who came for all and not just some.

Amen

Sending Music

Sending Words

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

Church Sign for June: Neil and Ellen Lehman

Front Table for June: Worship Committee

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

Offering: \$863.70 – general \$25 – MCUSA Justice Fund
 \$888.70 – total

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

June Mission Offering: Orphan Care Alliance

Wed., June 15, 7:00 p.m.: Church Council

Thur., June 16, 12-5: table at Juneteenth Celebration in Central Park, Johnstown

Sun.-Fri., June 19-24: Jayne will be Bible Teacher at Laurelville Summer Camp

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

Happy Birthday: Wish the following a Happy Birthday today or by sending them a card this week: Wed., June 15 - Linda Gindlesperger, Wed., June 15 - Jayne Byler Fri., June 17 - Dwight Gindlesperger

Welcome to Lydia Shaffer, our guest speaker today, from Orphan Care Alliance.

Jayne will be in the office on Wednesday and Friday. She is available other times by texting or calling 330-224-3944 or emailing stahlmennonite@gmail.com.

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! See the sign-up sheet on the table in the foyer!



STAHL MENNONITE CHURCH



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.

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

We will once again have a tent and table at the **Juneteenth Celebration in Johnstown Central Park on Jun 16 from 12-5**. If you would like to help set up, sit at the table for any length of time, or tear down, let Jayne or Jeanette Hunsberger know.

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!

A new album from **The Soil and The Seed Project** along with devotional material is available at the mailboxes or by going online to **www.thesoilandtheseedproject.org** for free download.

Did you know that the Mennonite Church has its own devotional magazine written by Anabaptist writers from all over Canada and the US? **REJOICE! is a daily devotional** that is available to you. If you would like to subscribe through the church, please let Floyd Lehman or Jayne know. Subscription is \$37.62/yr. if you would like to make a donation.

Mission offering for June is the Orphan Care Alliance. You will be hearing more about this work today during worship with Lydia Shaffer joining us. Their website states: "Simply put, James 1:27 describes pure and faultless religion as caring for orphans and widows. Acting on this Biblical invitation, OCA equips Christians and connects them with opportunities to care for children and families in need. We desire to see every child have a home and know the love of a family with the Church community leading the effort. Knowing that welcoming a child into your home is not for every family, OCA provides opportunities to engage in orphan care, whether its adopting or advocating."

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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!

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.

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

Lionel Mickens Family	Sandy Nicoletti	Blair Kaufman
Loveda Liechty	Steve Linderman	Bud Bretz Famiy
Carol Lazer	MCUSA resolutions	Deb Gates
Ron and Joyce Telenko	Dan and Sarah Barrett/Ross family	
Jacob, Darden and Will Horsley	Beth Hillegass	Jean Cable