

WELCOME TO
STAHL MENNONITE CHURCH

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August 13, 2023

MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE – 10:30 A.M.

Theme: PEACE WITH CREATION:

God Tends a Garden

Worship Leader: Joy Cotchen

Music: Stahl Song Leaders

Welcome and Announcements

Lighting the Peace Lamp

Gathering Song

Call to Worship:

One: In worship God bends down to the dust, and we are formed anew.

Many: We breathe in the divine breath and remember that we are living beings.

One: In worship we give thanks for the wonders of God's creation:

Many: flowing waters and fruit-filled trees, animals of the field, and birds of the air.

One: In worship we gather with each other,

Many: our helpers and partners in this life of faith.

One: Let us give thanks for this time of worship.

Many: Let us receive God's breath of life.

Opening Prayer

Sharing Our Joys and Concerns: *“God of love, hear our prayer”*

Recognition of Graduate: Darden Horsley

Prayers of the People:

One: For dust and stones, for rivers and streams,

Many: we give you thanks, O God.

One: For seeds and their growth, for trees and their fruit,

Many: we give you thanks, O God.

One: For all that you have formed with your hands and enlivened with your breath,

Many: we give you thanks, O God.

One: For every animal of the field, for all birds of the air,

Many: we give you thanks, O God.

One: For each person created in your image, our helpers and partners,

Many: we give you thanks, O God.

One: Let us appreciate the beauty of your creation.

Many: Hear our prayer, O God.

One: Let us share in the nourishment your earth provides.

Many: Hear our prayer, O God.

One: Let us live out our gratitude in acts of compassion and care.

Many: Hear our prayer, O God.

One: Let us embody our thanks by living with joy and reverence on the land.

Many: Hear our prayer, O God.

All: Amen.

Singing

Scripture: Genesis 2:4-23

Message: “The Lord God Made” - Jayne

Response: *(bring offerings up along with paper doves as prelude of sending song is played.)*

Sending Song

Sending Words: (from 2 Peter 1:3-7)

*** Resource used LEADER Magazine Spring 2023

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

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

Offerings: 07/30/2023 – \$ 1,803.70 – General Fund
215.00 – MCC
300.00 – Benevolence
\$ 2,318.70 = TOTAL

08/06/2023 – \$ 458.70 = General Fund

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

August Mission Offering: Allegheny Mennonite Conference
Wed., Aug. 23, 6:30-8:00 pm: Peace, Prayer & Peaches on the Porch
Fri., Aug. 25, 4:00 pm: Worship Committee Zoom
Sun., Aug. 27, 10:30 am: Church Outdoor Worship and Picnic at
Greenhouse Park (see notes)
Wed., Aug. 30, 6:30-8:00 pm: Peace, Passages and Pie on the Porch
Wed., Sept. 6, 6:30-8:00 pm: Peace, Praise and Pizza on the Porch

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

Happy Birthday: Wish the following a Happy Birthday today or send them a card this week: Tues., Aug. 15 – Shelly Kerchner; Thurs., Aug. 17 – Bernice Lehman

Happy Anniversary: Wish the following a Happy Anniversary today or send them a card this week: TODAY, Sun., Aug. 13 – Daniel & Elizabeth Dunmore; Fri., Aug. 18 – Paul & Mary Ellen Lehman

Jayne hopes to be in the office on Wed. and Friday. She can be contacted at any time by calling or texting 330-224-3944 or emailing stahlmennonite@gmail.com.

Hearing assistance headphones are available at the back of the sanctuary.

On Sunday, August 27, we will have our Annual Church Picnic. We will meet at **Greenhouse Park, Pavilion #6.** Worship will begin at 10:30 am, followed by a potluck meal. Bring along a main dish and either a salad or dessert to share. Paper products and beverages will be provided.

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Seeking Peace Together

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