

WELCOME TO
STAHL MENNONITE CHURCH

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August 20, 2023

MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE – 10:30 A.M.

Theme: PEACE WITH CREATION:
Celebrating the Harvest

Worship Leader: Sarah Barrett

Music: Stahl Song Leaders

Welcome and Announcements

Lighting the Peace Lamp

Gathering Song

Call to Worship:

One: Let anyone who is thirsty come!

Many: We come to receive the living water.

One: Let anyone who is hungry come!

Many: There is enough food for all.

One: Let anyone who is tired come!

Many: God calls us to a time of holy rest.

One: Let anyone who is grateful come

Many: and join this celebration!

One: Thirsty and hungry, tired and grateful,

All: we come together now in worship.

Opening Prayer

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

Prayers of the People: Small Group Prayer

Singing

Scripture: Leviticus 23:39–43; Deuteronomy 8:12-18;
Leviticus 19:9-10; Mark 4:26-29

Message of Sharing: by Nan McNinney – Food Systems Coordinator
for Cambria Co. Center for Population Health.

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

Sending Song

Sending Words: (adapted from John 7:38)

*** Resource used LEADER Magazine Spring 2023

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

Offering: 08/13/2023 – \$ 1,538.70 = General Fund Total

*******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

Next 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

Wed., Sept. 6, 8:00 pm: Church Council (on the porch)

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

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.



Welcome our guest speaker today, **Nan McNinney** who is the Local Food Systems Coordinator for Cambria County at the Center for Population Health. A big part of that job is working with organizations that support those with food insecurity by partnering with the Greater Pittsburgh Food Bank and the United Way of Laurel Highlands to offer SNAP benefits and produce vouchers. She works with the Backpack Project and local colleges to provide meals for low income and food insecure students. The Veterans Administration and Veteran's Leadership project are also partners serving low-income families. Seniors round out the population with help for produce and pantry staples. She is also working with the town of Nanty Glo on a large community garden project and hopes to work with farmers to add additional farmer's markets next year. Nutrition education is included in every neighborhood conversation!

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

Next 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.

Our August Mission Offering will go to Allegheny Mennonite Conference. We are a member of this conference of 17 congregations in Pennsylvania, Maryland, Delaware, Virginia, and West Virginia, who work together to live out our faith as "Jesus Centered. Collaborative. Committed to place-based ministry". Most recently we shared in a Celebration of Congregations at Laurelville Retreat Center. Donations will continue to fund the work of AMC through its Conference Minister, Office Administrator and the various projects and ministries of the conference.

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Seeking Peace Together

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- **Sept. 20** - Understanding Medicare
- **Sept. 27** - Protecting What Matters Most

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