

WELCOME TO
STAHL MENNONITE CHURCH

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September 18, 2022

MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE – 10:30 A.M.

Theme: “Habits of Hospitality: Generosity”

Worship Leader: Bill Hunsberger

Music Leader: Rachel Allen

Welcome and Announcements

Lighting the Peace Lamp

Gathering Music

Call to Worship:

Welcome to a time of wonder

and music that calls us home.

Welcome to hear God’s words that inspire and challenge

**and to reminders that we are offered holy
hospitality –**

Hospitality that teaches us how to open our lives to others

**leading us to fully live open minds, open hearts,
open doors.**

~ Cynthia Langston Kirk.

Prayer

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

Music

Scripture: II Corinthians 9:6-12

Message: “Share Abundantly” – Jayne

Introduce Visioning Team

Litany of Response:

For the blessing of the International Guest House in
Washington, D.C.,

we give you thanks, O Lord!

For the hands that stitched the quilts and built the kitchen
cupboards,

we give you thanks, O Lord!

For the arms that daily gathered the bed sheets, for the legs
that walked down the basement stairs to the laundry,

we give you thanks, O Lord!

For muffins and the evening tea, for the morning coffee and
conversations around the table,

we give you thanks, O Lord!

For the hundreds of hours of labor, labor given willingly and
happily over days and weeks and months,

we give you thanks, O Lord!

For the thousands who laid their heads every night in a safe
welcoming space, for the array of flags on the mantel, for the
connections that were made no matter how brief or long,

we give you thanks, O Lord!

We honor the history of this property, the impact of this
ministry and the labor that sustained it all. We are the grateful
recipients of this generosity and pledge to live the ongoing
story of the International Guest House in our own
communities and congregations.

We give you thanks, O Lord!

- Litany used at AMC Celebration of Congregations 2022

Sending Music

Sending Words

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

Church Sign for September: Shana Lichtenfels

Front Table for September:

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

Offering: 09/11/2022 – \$1,178.70 – General Offering

40.00 – Service Adventure Group
\$1,218.70 = TOTAL

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

September Mission Offering: Johnstown Service Adventure

Next Sun., Sept 25: Service Adventure visiting and a pot luck meal

Wed., Sept. 28, 4:00 pm: Lay Leaders

Sun., Oct. 2: Following Worship – Assemble School Kits

Wed., Oct. 5, 8:00 pm: Church Council

Sun.- Sat., Oct. 9-15: Jayne on vacation

Wed., Oct. 19: Community Soup Night, Kid's Connection & Adult Bible Study will begin. **(See note below for the times!)**

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

Happy Birthday: Wish the following a Happy Birthday today or by sending them a card this week: Today, Sept. 18 – Elizabeth Dunmore; Mon., Sept. 19 – Paul Ephraim Thomas; Sat., Sept. 24 – John Allen

Happy Anniversary: Wish the following a Happy Anniversary today or by sending them a card this week: Wed., Sept. 21 – Bill & Quenna Smith

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

Mission Offering for September is Johnstown Service Adventure. Their group will be visiting our congregation next Sunday, Sept. 25th and we will be having a **pot luck meal following worship**. Bring a main dish and a dessert or salad to share. A **wish list** of items they could use was sent via email and is available on the table in the foyer. Have those items here next Sunday, Sept 25th. Thanks!



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Johnstown, Pennsylvania

September 18, 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.

A limited supply of new **“The Soil and the Seed Project Devotions” and CD’s are available at the mailboxes.** You can also download this Vol. 4//Ordinary Time at www.thesoilandtheseedproject.org

Community Soup Night will return! Mark your calendar for Wed. October 19, 4:30-6:30 when we will begin serving soup here at the church. Community is welcome! We will also be having a time for **Kids Connection** following Soup from 6:30-7:30 as well as an **Adult Bible Study** at the same time. Make Wednesday nights a time to gather for fellowship and learning with something for everyone. If you can help with any of these events, talk to Joy Cotchen or Jayne.

Thank you for your response to help supply MCC with **school kits.** We will assemble the empty kits with supplies we have collected after church on **Sunday, October 2.**

Covid numbers are ever unpredictable. 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 patience and care for one another’s health.

Thank you for your continued generous giving of your finances. As we settle into Fall routines, please continue to remember the work of the church. An easy way to make sure your offering is not missed when you are away is through the electronic giving option on our webpage. (Remember that you have the option to cover the cost of processing the donation as well.) Without each of you we would not be able to do the work of the church. Your commitment to the church through your financial offerings is one way to keep our work as a congregation going here in our community and beyond our local area. However you give, know that **the work of Stahl Mennonite Church cannot happen without you!**

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

Shelly Kerchner	Tracy Tredennick	Rueben Hunsberger
Shaun Smith	Amanda Cotchen	Unspoken Requests
Wilma Thomas	Dennis Pingatore	Riley Allen
Leah Rittenhouse	COVID Victims	School Children & Teachers
Amy DeRubis	Deb Gates	Will Horsley & Kayla Kuckenberger
Josh & Steph (Leaders of the Johnstown Service Adventure Group)		
Mark, Judy, & Woody Weaver Family (death)		