

**WELCOME TO
STAHL MENNONITE CHURCH**

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MORNING MUSIC & WORSHIP – 10:30 A.M.

THEME: Golden Calf

Worship Leader: Floyd Lehman

Gathering Music: Come, Now Is the Time to Worship

Welcome and Announcements

Lighting the Peace Lamp

Music: Great is Thy Faithfulness – Veritas

Call to Worship

Prayer

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

Scripture Timeline

Scripture: Exodus 32:1-14

Message: “God Thinks Twice” – Jayne

Response:

Confession is not an easy or a pleasant thing to do.
We would like to think
that we have been good and faithful disciples,
following your way.
But we know in our hearts the many ways in which
we have turned our backs on you
and rejected your will for us.
Like the people in the wilderness,
we create for ourselves idols and worship them,
only to discover their shallowness and emptiness for
our lives.

And we wonder what went wrong.
Stop us in our tracks, O Lord.
Help us to be open to your will for our lives.

We know what you want us to do.
Give us the persistence and the courage to do your will.
Heal us from our wayward actions and attitudes.
Remind us that we must reach out to others in compassion and
peace.
Merciful God, come to us this day with your healing power
and help us again to be your disciples,
offering hope and peace to your hurting and wounded
world.

In Jesus' Name, we pray. **Amen.**

Sending Words

Sending Music: Amazing Grace (My Chains are Gone) –
Chris Tomlin (with lyrics)

“We go now in peace to love and serve the Lord.”

Bulletin Editor for September: Ellen Lehman – 288-1961

Front Table Arrangement for September: Lauren Cotchen

Church Sign for September: Shana Lichtenfels

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

Offering: 09/20/2020 – \$ 1,122.24 = Regular

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

Month of October – Mission Offering Women's Help Center
(October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month)

Tues., Oct. 6, 7:00 p.m. – Church Council

Wed., Oct. 14, 7:00 p.m. – Racism Study (meeting in basement)

Sat., Oct. 17 – Saturday's Kitchen Meal

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

Happy Birthday: Wish the following a Happy Birthday today or send them a card this week: Thurs., Oct. 1 – Cole Telenko

Jayne will be in the office on Thursday and Friday. She will be off Mon. and Tues. She is available via texting or phone at any time by calling 330-224-3944.

We collected 59 School Kits that were taken to MCC this week. Thanks to everyone who contributed! In 2018, (the last year I could find statistics) MCC shipped 49,482 school kits to Bosnia, Iraq, Jordan, Serbia, Syria, Ukraine, Canada, and the U.S.

We will be offering a small group opportunity to study racism using a video resource, “The Color of Compromise”. This resource looks at the history of how the North American church has been a part of the system of racism and what action is needed to move forward. The next meeting will be Wed., Oct. 14 at 7:00 p.m. in the basement with social distancing in place and masks requested. The group will meet 2 times a month after that.

We will be preparing the meal for Saturday’s Kitchen on Sat., Oct. 17th. If you would like to help, please contact Sharon Shetler or Deb Gates for more information.

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

Deb's Nephew (in Iowa)	Lauren Cotchen	Frank Malinovsky
Peg Bimeal's Bro-in-Law	Dan Gates	Mary Ellen Lehman
Our Nations & Cities	Middle East Peace Treaty	
Safety for Students & Staff to Return to School	Edena's Nephew	



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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.