

WELCOME TO
STAHL MENNONITE CHURCH

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October 16, 2022

MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE – 10:30 A.M.

Theme: “Habits of Hospitality: Sharing Our Authentic Selves

Worship Leader: Sonya Horsley

Music Leader:

Welcome and Announcements

Lighting the Peace Lamp

Gathering Music - “Here in the Place” VT 10

Call to Worship: “You Sitting in the Pew Next to Me”
by Ann Weems

Prayer: VT 977

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

Music: “When Memory Fades” VT 649

Scripture: Luke 14:7-14

Message: “Come As You Are” – Jayne

“I Am Here” by **Ann Hamlin** (autistic and non-verbal)

Reflection Responses

Litany of Response: (congregation reads in unison)

As we seek to have open hearts,
open minds and open doors,
help us to move beyond opening the door
to welcome only those who can climb the steps to enter.
Help us to move beyond opening our hearts
to love only those who look like us.
And help us to move beyond opening our minds
to accept only those who think like us.
Help us to create an environment,
in our church and in our community,
where all are welcome.
In your name we pray. Amen

(Adapted from Rev. Dr. Thomas W.
Binford, III)

Sending Music: “Draw the Circle Wide” VT 802 sung
by Greater New Haven Community Chorus

Sending Words: VT 1049

“The Lord Bless You” from signlanguageworship.com/songs/

Bulletin Editor for October: Shana Lichtenfels – 814-288-0171

Church Sign for October: Shana Lichtenfels

Front Table for October: Shana Lichtenfels

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

Offering: 10/09/2022 – \$1,528.25 – General

25.00 – Victim Services

\$1,553.25 = TOTAL

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

October Mission Offering: Victim Services

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

Oct 27, 4:00: Lay Leaders

Oct 29: Serve meal at Saturday’s Kitchen

Nov 2, 7:30: Church Council

Nov 5, 9:30-2:30: Allegheny Mennonite Conference Delegate
Session, Scottdale Mennonite Church

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

Happy Birthday: Wish the following a Happy Anniversary today or by sending them a card this week: Mon. Oct. 17 – Wayne Wyar;
Thurs. Oct. 20 – Ellen Lehman

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

Jayne has been with this congregation for 5 years. She has made it a **goal for the coming year to meet with everyone in the congregation** individually or as families, whatever is most comfortable. This can be in your home, at a coffee shop, over a meal... whatever you prefer. She will be contacting you over the coming year to set up a time. If, however, you are eager to help her meet her goal early, feel free to call her anytime to schedule it!

Our Mission Offering for October is Victim Services. October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month. You can donate either through the **offering**, or by bringing **items** from a wish list found on the table in the entry.

Community Soup Night will return! Mark your calendar for Wed. October 19, 4:30-6:30 pm when we will begin serving soup here at the church. Community is welcome! *Anyone willing to help make soup, please let Joy know by Monday of that week.* We will also be having a time for **Kid's Connection** following Soup from 6:30-7:30 as well as an **Adult Bible Study** at the same time. *If you are willing and able to donate snacks for Kid's Connection, see the sign-up sheet on the table in the entry.* 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.



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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.

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