

**WELCOME TO
STAHL MENNONITE CHURCH**

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October 17, 2021

MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE – 10:30 A.M.

THEME: Joy Unites

Worship Leader: Bill Hunsberger

Music Leaders: Videos

Welcome and Announcements

Lighting the Peace Lamp

Gathering Song - "Seeds" / "Faithful God" - Girl Named Tom

Call to Worship: Psalm 63:1-8

Prayer:

Open our ears to hear your word.

Open our eyes to see your presence.

Open our arms to the embrace of community.

Open our minds to the beauty of truth.

Open our hearts to the joy of new life.

(Voices Together 866)

Sharing the Joy Virtual Style

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

Music - “You’re Not Alone” by Bryan Moyer Suderman

Scripture: Philippians 4:1-9

An Illustrative Moment

Message: “Joyfully United” - Jayne

Response:

Take us from where we are,
to where you want us to be;
make us not merely guardians of a heritage,
but living signs of your coming Kingdom;
fire us with passion for justice and peace between all people;
fill us with that faith, hope, joy and love which embody the Gospel;
and through the power of the Holy Spirit make us one.
That the world may believe,
that your name may be enthroned in our nation,
that your church may more effectively be your body,
we commit ourselves to love you, serve you,
and follow you as pilgrims not strangers.

~ World Council of Churches

Sending Music - “Together” by Nathan Grieser

Sending Words: *Based on Philippians 4:9*

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

Church Sign for October: Rod & Cindy Lehman

Front Table for October: Shana Lichtenfels

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

Offering: 10/10/2021 – \$1,168.00 - Regular

10.00 - Mission
\$1,178.70

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

October Mission Offering: Victim Services

Tues., Nov 2, 6:30 pm: Lay Leaders

Wed., Nov 3, 7:00 pm: Church Council

Sun., Dec 5, 1:00 pm: Voices Together and MCC Fundraiser

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

Happy Birthday: Wish the following a Happy Birthday today or send them a card this week: Today, Sun., Oct. 17 – Wayne Wyar; Wed., Oct. 20 – Ellen Lehman

Jayne will be in the office this week on Wed. and Fri. She is available via texting or phone at any time by calling 330-224-3944 or send an email to stahlmennonite@gmail.com.

Mission Committee became aware of some changes happening in Domestic Violence services in the area. Instead of the **mission offering for October going to Women's Help Center, it will go to Victim Services.**

Thank you for your continued generous giving of your finances. Without each of you we would not be able to do the work of the church. You can give in the offering plate in the back of the sanctuary on Sunday mornings, or mail your offering to Sharon Shetler. You can also give electronically on our website. (Remember that you have the option to cover the cost of processing the donation as well.)

The racism discussion group has interest, but the timing seems to be off. So, we will set it aside until late winter/spring. Hopefully after the holidays, when Covid is behaving itself better and folks feel a bit more free, we will try again. Stay tuned for something to come in February. Thanks to those who expressed interest.

Shelly is home but still has a fair amount of limitations so one way to support her and Tracy is to **provide meals**. You can schedule a mealtime on Meal Train by following this link: <https://mealtrain.com/k19z82> Or, if you prefer, you can arrange a time with Shelly personally. Her contact information is: 814-691-0393, 809 Olim St. Johnstown Pa. 15904. Shelly and Tracy eat a vegetarian and plant-based diet. Legumes, pasta dishes like lasagna, tofu, eggs, cheese and other dairy are welcomed.



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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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If you would like to do more personal work on joy you can talk to Becky Haas at <https://joyworkllc.com/> for a free 30-minute consultation or to discover other joy resources. A promo code that is "PARTNER" and will reveal 5 hidden free tickets to the first 5 persons who take advantage of this.

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