## WELCOME TO STAHL MENNONITE CHURCH

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## October 23, 2022

## **MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE – 10:30 A.M.**

Theme: Remembering our Mennonite Heritage

Worship Leader: Floyd Lehman Music Leader: Elizabeth Dunmore

Welcome and Announcements Lighting the Peace Lamp Gathering Music Joel 2:23-29 Call to Worship

Leader: Praise is due to you, O God!

To you all flesh shall come.

People: When deeds of iniquity overwhelm us,

you forgive our transgressions. Happy are those whom you choose

and bring near to live in your courts.

We shall be satisfied with the goodness of your house.

Leader: By awesome deeds you answer us with deliverance,

O God of our salvation.

People: You are the hope of all the ends of the earth

and of the farthest seas.

Those who live at earth's farthest bounds

are awed by your signs.

Leader: You make the gateways of the morning and the evening shout for joy!

**Prayer** 

Sharing Our Joys and Concerns: "God of Love, Hear our Prayer"

Music

**Scripture:** II Timothy 4:6-8, 17-18 **Message:** "Keeping the Faith" – Jayne

Litany of Response:

We, the children of Zion, are glad.

We rejoice in you, O Lord.

You have dealt wonderfully with us.

You have redeemed us.

You have led us by your hand.

From the call to Abraham and Sarah,

to the birth of the church at Pentecost,

to the birth of the Anabaptist Movement,

to the birth of our congregation in 1882,

you have led us.

You have provided leaders and faithful members,

who by God's Spirit have nurtured us and cared for us.

Thank you for . . .

(speak the name of as many previous members/leaders as you wish).

And now, we ask that you continue to call out from among us leaders

on whom you will pour out your spirit.

Anoint our sons and daughters to prophesy,

to dream dreams and see visions.

Give them courage to dream your dreams.

Give them eyes to see your visions.

Give us willing hearts to follow those dreams and visions.

Mold and shape us by those dreams and visions

to be faithful and passionate witnesses

of your love, grace, and truth in the twenty-first century.

May it be so, in the name of our Lord.

Amen.

**Sending Music** 

Sending Words: 2 Timothy 4:7-8

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**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:** 10/16/2022 - \$1,058.70 - General

100.00 – Allegheny Conference 100.00 – MCC School Kits 120.00 – Victim Services \$1,378.70 = TOTAL

October Mission Offering: Victim Services Oct 26, 4:30-6:30: Community Soup Night

Oct 26, 6:30-7:30: Kid's Connection, Adult Bible Study

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

Nov 13: Worship with Scottdale Mennonite for Leah Rittenhouse's

licensing service

**Happy Birthday:** Wish the following a Happy Birthday today or by sending them a card this week: Mon. Oct. 24 – Ruby Barrett-Ross; Tues. Oct. 25 – Paul Lehman

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.



Johnstown, Pennsylvania October 23, 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. Do you love to hold a baby? Then Stephanie from the Service Adventure Unit needs your help! She has occasional Zoom meetings to attend and needs an extra pair of arms to look after Noah, their newborn. She is hoping to compile a list of people to call on to help. It would be for about 2 hours and you would have a week's notice. If this sounds like something you could do, please let Jayne or Joy know. Thanks!

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