

WELCOME TO  
**STAHL MENNONITE CHURCH**

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**January 26, 2020**

**SUNDAY SCHOOL – 9:30 A.M.**

Uniform Series – Upstairs Sunday School Class

Bible Study – Basement Kitchen Class

**MORNING WORSHIP – 10:30 A.M.**

**Worship Leader:** Rachel Allen

**Song Leader:** Jeanette Hunsberger

**"Celebrating Diversity"**

“There can be no justice without peace, and there can be no peace without justice.” — Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Lighting the Peace Lamp**

**Gathering Song**

**Call to Worship:**

Leader: We gather to worship God,

**People:** *Who creates us and loves us;*

Leader: Who gifts us with diversity and makes us for  
community;

**People:** *Who gives Jesus Christ to show us how to live;*

Leader: Who inspires children, youth, young adults, and people  
of all ages,

**People:** *To seek justice, share power,  
and live together in love and equality;*

Leader: Who invites us to join the struggle for wholeness and wellbeing for all,

**People:** *and whose presence, grace, and love  
sustain us in our living.*

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**People:** *To God be all glory, honor, and praise!*

**Prayer**

**Offering**

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

**Singing**

**Scripture:** 2 Corinthians 13:11 – Rod Lehman

**Message:** “A Dichotomy of Community: Peace Meets Justice”

– Melody Pannel (A Mennonite girl from Harlem)

**Affirmation:** (congregation reads in unison)

I refuse to believe that we are unable to influence the events around us.

I refuse to believe we are bound by racism, war, and injustice.

I believe those around me are my brother and my sister.

I believe in dignity every day and that our brokenness can be healed.

I believe we can overcome oppression and violence, without resorting to it.

This means I seek to reject revenge and retaliation.

I remember, “Hate cannot drive out hate: only love can.”

— drawn from the writings of Martin Luther King, Jr.

**Song of Response**

**Sending Song**

**Benediction**

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**Greeters for February:** Curt & Shana Lichtenfels

**Bulletin Editor for February:** Shana Lichtenfels

**Front Table Arrangement for February:** Ruby Barrett-Ross

**Church Sign for February:** Pat & Joy Cotchen

**Offering Holders for February:** Curt & Shana Lichtenfels

**St. Francis Sharing & Caring Item for February:** Toilet Paper

**Offering:** 01/19/20 – \$2,272.00 – Regular

75.00 – Travel Reimbursement  
\$2,347.00 = TOTAL

\*\*\*\*\***COMING EVENTS**\*\*\*\*\*

- Today, Sun., Jan 26** – Mission Offering for MCC collected
- Today, Sun., Jan 26** – Potluck lunch followed by comforter knotting
- Wed., Jan 29, 6:30** – Worship Committee Meeting
- Mon., Feb 3, 6:30** – Kid’s Connection Resumes
- Tues., Feb 4, 6:00** – Budget Committee Meeting
- Wed., Feb 12, 7:00** – Church Council
- Sun., Feb. 23** – Annual Congregational Business Meeting

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

**Happy Birthday:** Wish the following a Happy Birthday today or send them a card this week: Thurs., Jan. 30 – Christine Yoder; Fri., Jan. 31 – Levi Moser

**Welcome to Melody M. Pannell**, a self-described Mennonite girl from Harlem. She is the founder and Chief Visionary Officer of The Destiny's Daughters Leadership Institute. She is in the area speaking at other locations and we are fortunate enough to have her join us this morning.

Under the table with the bulletins in the foyer are **Activity Bags for the kids**. Feel free to take one and use it during worship then return it before you head home. If you have ideas of something else you would like in them, let Jayne or Sharon Shetler know!

**Jayne is** healing from her knee replacement. She will be working part time from home until able to drive again. Call with any needs or concerns at 330-224-3944.

If you have **announcements you want put in the bulletin**, please have them to Shana Lichtenfels and/or Ellen Lehman by Friday morning of each week.

The **Mission Offering for January** will be for **MCC**. This will be collected today, January 26<sup>th</sup>.

**Volunteer Sign-Up Sheets** for offering holders, front table, church

sign and greeters are posted on the bulletin board. Take a look and see where you might want to serve. Thanks!



# STAHL MENNONITE CHURCH



Johnstown, Pennsylvania

**January 26, 2020**

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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**Kid's Connection** will resume meeting on Feb 3 at 6:30. Let the fun begin... again!

We would like to send **Care Packages to students in college** who are connected with anyone in the congregation. If you know of a student away from home who would appreciate a Valentine's Day Love package, let Deb Gates or Sharon Shetler know. You can bring items for the packages in anytime until Feb. 7<sup>th</sup>. Suggested items: non-perishable food, snacks, candy, gift cards. Or, you could donate money to help cover the cost of shipping.

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| Darrel Holsopple             | Jay Cable                     | Shirley Yacynych    |
| Jayne Byler                  | Deb Gates                     | Katie Juarez        |
| Laura Miltenberger           | Cat Hammond                   | Traveling Mercies   |
| Louise (Deb's friend)        | TayLee Bush                   | Chantay Jeffers     |
| Virginia Moyer               | Norma Thomas                  | Helen Cotchen       |
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