

On Monday, May 2 at 7 p.m. ET, join **Mennonite Church USA** Executive Director Glen Guyton and guests for a webinar on ways that we can support the Special Session of the Delegate Assembly and our participating church leaders through individual and communal prayer and fasting. Register here: www.mennoniteusa.org/prayer-webinar-registration

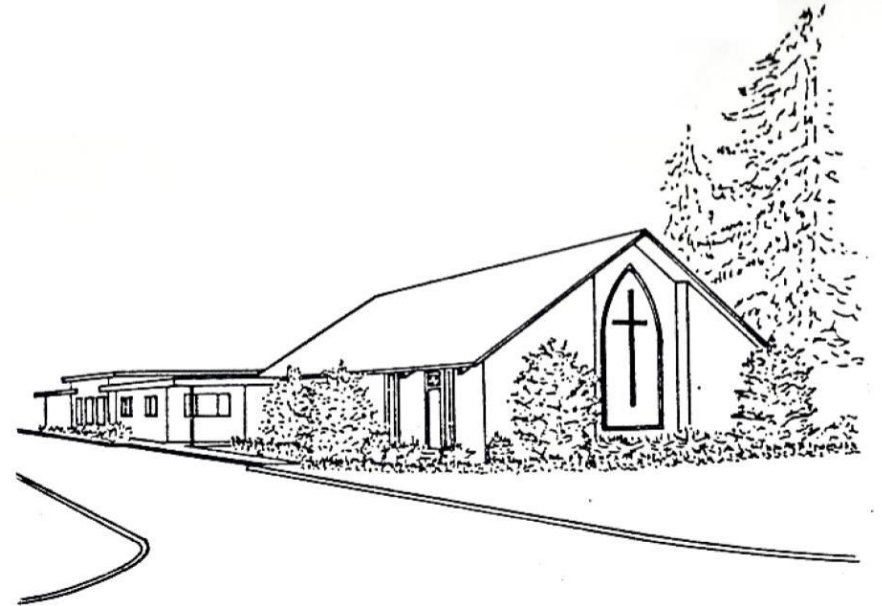
Mennonite Church USA has released guidelines for allowable actions and procedures during its Special Session of the Delegate Assembly, May 27-30 in Kansas City, Missouri. According to the guidelines, delegates must submit suggested amendments to the proposed resolutions by May 6. Read more here: www.mennoniteusa.org/guidelines-special-session

Indiana-Michigan Mennonite Conference invites you to participate in a **workshop on baptism** in the Anabaptist-Mennonite tradition, featuring John D. Roth, on May 7 from 9:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. This event is being held online and in person at Waterford Mennonite Church. Learn more here: www.im.mennonite.net/baptism-workshop/

Registration is open for Mennonite Church USA's Special Session of the Delegate Assembly, May 27-30, 2022, in Kansas City, Missouri. The deadline for hotel reservations is May 4. The deadline for registration is May 16. For more information, visit www.mennoniteusa.org/special-delegate

Join Carlene Hill Byron, author of "Not Quite Fine: Mental Health, Faith, and Showing Up for One Another," for a **CommonRead webinar** on May 3 at 7 p.m. ET. CommonRead is an initiative from Herald Press, Mennonite Church USA and Mennonite Church Canada. Learn more here: www.mennomedia.org/register-now/

Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary is hosting a webinar, "Political Idolatry: Countering Christian Nationalism" on May 4, 2-3 p.m. ET. Register here: www.ambs.edu/what-is-christian-nationalism/



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Education Hour: 9:15 a.m. / 9:30 a.m.

Worship: 10:45 a.m.

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*Thank you for silencing your cell phone.
For those attending via Zoom, thank you for remaining muted.*

WE GATHER

Prelude - Julie Graber
Hymn VT 5: "All People That on Earth do Dwell" - John Beechy
Call to Worship & Invocation - Mitchell Daily
Hymns VT 7: "Come Let Us All Unite to Sing"
VT 48: "Come, My Way, My Truth, My Life"

WE CONFESS

Prayer of Confession
Assurance of Pardon
Hymn VT 590: "I Know Not Why Gods' Wondrous Grace"

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Message for Children ("The Blessing Song") - Debbie Pauls
Scripture John 21:1-19
Message "Going Backwards in Order to Go Forward" - Jerrell Williams

WE RESPOND

Hymn of Response VT 540: "Will you Come and Follow Me"
Offering - Julie Graber
Sharing and Prayer ending with Lord's Prayer
(Respond with: "Lord, we thank you" / "Lord, hear our prayer")
(Responde con: "Senor, te damos gracias" / "Senor, escucha nuestra oracion")
("Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us")

WE GO FORTH

Closing Hymn VT 813: "Heart with Loving Heart United"
Sending Words

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Sunday School

9:15 a.m. Adult Sunday School class (Zoom only):
"Preparation for MCUSA Delegate Session"

No MYF Sunday School class today

9:30 a.m. Children's Sunday School (In-person only):
Pre K & Kindergarten - Ryan Nisly, teacher
Elementary (Grades 1-4) - Melissa Nisly, teacher
Junior Youth (Grades 5-7) - Juel Russell, teacher

Coffee Time: 10:15 a.m. - 10:45 a.m. (Fellowship Hall)
First Sunday of the month only.

Ushers Today - Ron & Debbie Pauls

Sound & Zoom Tech - Chad Hochstetler

*Nursery care is currently unavailable.
The nursery is available for parents to use as needed.*

THIS WEEK, May 1, 2022 – May 7, 2022

Today 10:15 a.m. Coffee Time
10:45 a.m. Worship Service (message – Jerrell Williams)
Wednesday 7:00 a.m. Women's breakfast meeting (Zoom)
9:30 a.m. Quilting
6:30 p.m. Worship & Music Committee Meeting (Zoom)
Thursday 9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study (Zoom)
7:00 p.m. Sacred Circle
Friday 6:00 p.m. SE Keizer Community Center - Fellowship Hall
Sunday, May 8, 2022 – Mother's Day!
10:45 a.m. Worship Service (message – Jerrell Williams)

Birthdays this week: Jim Pauls, Claudia Mobley, Bonnie Lehman

FOR THE RECORD **April 24, 2022 Worship service**

In person Attendance: 59
Zoom attendance: 30 devices, estimated at 47 people

General Offering totals received in April

April 3: \$2,015
April 10: \$4,243
April 17: \$14,610
April 24: \$5,320
General Fund total for Apr.: \$26,188
Total monthly requirement: \$14,691

Spring Clean out for the houseless: Spring is a great time to go through our closets and donate items that are almost new but we no longer need. The Church at the Park warehouse for the houseless needs the following items. Tents, sleeping bags, pillows, tarps, blankets, bath and hand towels, shoes (Example: athletic, hiking, boots, all sizes for adults and children) and "interview" appropriate clothing and shoes. Church at the Park is asking that donations be almost like new (gently used). Please bring your clean donation(s) in a bag to the church by Sunday, May 15th and place it on the designated table in the foyer. Items will be transported to The Church at the Park Warehouse.

Save the Date! **Pastor Jerrell's ordination service** will be held on Sunday, June 5 during the morning worship service (10:45 a.m.). A reception will be held immediately following the service with light refreshments served.

Our Houseless project coordinators met and decided our next project will be to start using the Houseless funds for items most needed. The spring project will be purchasing backpacks, hygiene products, diapers and clothing for children. Everence has a partial matching fund for this project that is available to SMC. If you would like to donate to the Houseless project, please designate your donation for the Houseless and give to the Church treasurer. Thank you!

A Pastoral Review Team (Debbie Pauls, Mitchell Daily, Joseph Penner, Marlene Bogard and District Pastor Terry Rediger) has been formed to create a process of evaluation of Pastor Jerrell Williams as he nears the end of his first three-year term. A review form will be emailed out to all members and regular attendees on May 1. If you prefer a paper copy, contact Marlene at harderbogard@gmail.com.

Mark your calendars! On June 26 we will have an outdoor church picnic followed by our spring Congregational Meeting at 1 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Bring your own food, drink and lawn chairs.

Online Church Directory: If you have not yet accessed the online church directory and would like to do so OR if you would like to have a printed copy of it, please contact Bonnie Lehman in the church office (office@salemmentnonitechurch.org). Please log in to your profile and update your photo if needed.

Prayer Corner

Pray for...Ukraine

Mennonite Mission Network Prayer Request:

Mennonite Mission Network joins Marlene Wall, president of LCC International University in Lithuania, in requesting prayer for faculty and staff, who are caring for both students and refugees from Ukraine. Ukrainian refugees have traveled about 700 miles to flee the violence from the Russian invasion. Pray that God's people around the world will contribute to this ministry.

Prayers for Faith and Learning (Mennonite Education Agency):

Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary, Elkhart, Indiana: Pray for the 21 candidates for graduation who participated in AMBS's Commencement Service this weekend; give thanks for how God has used their seminary studies and relationships to help them grow and to prepare them for future roles.

On the Bulletin Boards:

- Save the Date! Western Christian School's Golden Anniversary ONLINE Auction: May 11-13.

John 21:1-19 (NRSV)

¹After these things Jesus showed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias; and he showed himself in this way. ²Gathered there together were Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples. ³Simon Peter said to them, 'I am going fishing.' They said to him, 'We will go with you.' They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing.

⁴Just after daybreak, Jesus stood on the beach; but the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. ⁵Jesus said to them, 'Children, you have no fish, have you?' They answered him, 'No.' ⁶He said to them, 'Cast the net to the right side of the boat, and you will find some.' So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in because there were so many fish. ⁷That disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, 'It is the Lord!' When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on some clothes, for he was naked, and jumped into the lake. ⁸But the other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, only about a hundred yards off. ⁹When they had gone ashore, they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish on it, and bread. ¹⁰Jesus said to them, 'Bring some of the fish that you have just caught.' ¹¹So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, a hundred and fifty-three of them; and though there were so many, the net was not torn. ¹²Jesus said to them, 'Come and have breakfast.' Now none of the disciples dared to ask him, 'Who are you?' because they knew it was the Lord. ¹³Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish. ¹⁴This was now the third time that Jesus appeared to the disciples after he was raised from the dead. ¹⁵When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, 'Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?' He said to him, 'Yes, Lord; you know that I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Feed my lambs.' ¹⁶A second time he said to him, 'Simon son of John, do you love me?' He said to him, 'Yes, Lord; you know that I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Tend my sheep.' ¹⁷He said to him the third time, 'Simon son of John, do you love me?' Peter felt hurt because he said to him the third time, 'Do you love me?' And he said to him, 'Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Feed my sheep. ¹⁸Very truly, I tell you, when you were younger, you used to fasten your own belt and to go wherever you wished. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten a belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go.' ¹⁹(He said this to indicate the kind of death by which he would glorify God.) After this he said to him, 'Follow me.'

Juan 21:1-19 (RVR1995)

¹ Después de esto, Jesús se manifestó otra vez a sus discípulos junto al Mar de Tiberias; y se manifestó de esta manera: ² Estaban juntos Simón Pedro, Tomás, llamado el Dídimo, Natanael, el de Caná de Galilea, los hijos de Zebedeo y otros dos de sus discípulos. ³ Simón Pedro les dijo: —Voy a pescar. Ellos le dijeron: —Vamos nosotros también contigo. Salieron, pues, y entraron en una barca; pero aquella noche no pescaron nada. ⁴ Cuando ya iba amaneciendo, se presentó Jesús en la playa, pero los discípulos no sabían que era Jesús. ⁵ Y les dijo: —Hijitos, ¿tenéis algo de comer? Le respondieron: —¡No! ⁶ Él les dijo: —Echad la red a la derecha de la barca y hallaréis. Entonces la echaron, y ya no la podían sacar, por la gran cantidad de peces. ⁷ Entonces aquel discípulo a quien Jesús amaba dijo a Pedro: —¡Es el Señor! Simón Pedro, cuando oyó que era el Señor, se ciñó la ropa (porque se había despojado de ella) y se tiró al mar. ⁸ Los otros discípulos fueron con la barca, arrastrando la red llena de peces, pues no distaban de tierra sino como doscientos codos. ⁹ Al descender a tierra, vieron brasas puestas y un pescado encima de ellas, y pan. ¹⁰ Jesús les dijo: —Traed de los peces que acabáis de sacar. ¹¹ Subió Simón Pedro y sacó la red a tierra, llena de grandes peces, ciento cincuenta y tres; y aun siendo tantos, la red no se rompió. ¹² Les dijo Jesús: —Venid, comed. Y ninguno de los discípulos se atrevía a preguntarle: «¿Tú, quién eres?», sabiendo que era el Señor. ¹³ Vino, pues, Jesús, y tomó el pan y les dio, y asimismo del pescado. ¹⁴ Ésta era ya la tercera vez que Jesús se manifestaba a sus discípulos, después de haber resucitado de los muertos. ¹⁵ Después de comer, Jesús dijo a Simón Pedro: —Simón, hijo de Jonás, ¿me amas más que estos? Le respondió: —Sí, Señor; tú sabes que te quiero. Él le dijo: —Apacienta mis corderos. ¹⁶ Volvió a decirle la segunda vez: —Simón, hijo de Jonás, ¿me amas? Pedro le respondió: —Sí, Señor; tú sabes que te quiero. Le dijo: —Pastorea mis ovejas. ¹⁷ Le dijo la tercera vez: —Simón, hijo de Jonás, ¿me quieres? Pedro se entristeció de que le dijera por tercera vez: «¿Me quieres?», y le respondió: —Señor, tú lo sabes todo; tú sabes que te quiero. Jesús le dijo: —Apacienta mis ovejas. ¹⁸ De cierto, de cierto te digo: Cuando eras más joven, te ceñías e ibas a donde querías; pero cuando ya seas viejo, extenderás tus manos y te ceñirá otro, y te llevará a donde no quieras. ¹⁹ Esto dijo dando a entender con qué muerte había de glorificar a Dios. Y dicho esto, añadió: —Sígueme.