

STAY WOKE!: Sunday, July 15, 2:30-4:30pm at Tellus 360, 24 E. King St., Lancaster Interactive workshop on organizing to build communities that resist oppression and embody peace and justice; led by Sarah Thompson, former Director of Christian Peacemaker Teams, and a 2018 Generations Fellow at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Center in Atlanta, Georgia. Sponsored by Lancaster Interchurch Peace Witness & 1040 for Peace. For more information contact Sue Heilman: heilmangirl@gmail.com or 717-951-0731

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AKRON MENNONITE CHURCH
July 1, 2018
What have you to do with us, Jesus?
The Good News according to Mark

GATHERING TOGETHER & PRAISING GOD

Prelude music Esther Nolt

Song of praise
 HWB 50 (blue) *Praise the Lord, sing hallelujah*

Welcome
 Introduction of guests & Announcements

Call to worship
 Lighting of the peace lamp
 Prayer

STJ 19 (green) *I will call upon the Lord*
 STJ 97 (green) *The Lord is my light*

Offering and offertory Esther Nolt
 Offertory prayer

HEARING GOD'S WORD

screen *Follow, follow Jesus*
 Children's time Sandra Richard Wood
 Children ages 2-4 are dismissed for preschool church in Room 16 with Jim Shenk, Susan Martin, Esther Nolt.

Special music *My anchor holds* Men's Choir

Scripture Mark 4:35-5:8
 Sermon *Crossing to the Other Side* Lynette & Gerald Meck
 Testimony Rachel Nolt
Kevin King

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

STS 39 (purple) *Will you come and follow me*

God at work through the Pastor Congregation Relations Committee (PCRC) Kevin King
 STS 45 (purple) *Calm me, Lord*
 Prayers of the people Karyn Nancarvis

(insert) *Eternal Father, strong to save*
 Benediction

GIVING & BUDGET

Giving for General Fund	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>Year-to-Date</u>
	\$ 6,221	\$ 201,754

2018 Budget Goals	<u>Weekly</u>	<u>Year-to-Date</u>
	\$ 9,800	\$ 245,200

2018 Income Budget: \$ 510,000

Attendance Last Sunday: 153

Church office hours are Monday-Friday 8:00am-4:30pm
 Church Office: (717) 859-1488 || 1311 Diamond Street || Akron, PA 17501

Musicians
Song Leader
Worship Leader

Patricia Martin
Ron Guenther
Karyn Nancarvis

August 24-26

Mennonite Youth Fellowship (MYF - Grades 9-12)

Annual Planning Retreat at Paradise Lake

Scripture next week: Mark 5:21-43; Linda Helmus, preacher

PLEASE JOIN US (10:15 – 10:40)

Everyone is welcome to participate in coffee/tea fellowship following the worship service. Guests, please sign the guest book in the foyer.

SECOND HOUR FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES (10:40 – 11:40)

Adults

Seven Stories: How to Study and Teach the Nonviolent Bible provides a comprehensive overview of seven main storylines of the Bible. This book helps us turn the Bible from a weapon (as it is too often used) into a pathway to justice, reconciliation, compassion, and peace. Taught by John Stoner and all who join the class. Class meets in Rm. 222.

Children and Youth

These classes will not meet today but will resume next Sunday.

AMONG THOSE SERVING TODAY

Greeters: Lloyd & Nancy Chapman, Marilyn Langeman

Sound/AV Operator: Dale Hershey

Nursery (Worship and Second Hour): as needed

Coffee Servers: Susan Blessing & Dot Hershey

Mug Washers: John & Janet Stoner

Ushers: Steve Hartzler (Head usher), Marvin Nolt, Helena Dueck, Jane Hartzler, Clyde Martin

UPCOMING EVENTS

July 3 Lunch Bunch @ Oregon Dairy @ 11:30 am
July 4 Church Office is closed for the Independence Day holiday
July 5 Men's Breakfast @ Udder Choice @ 7:00 am; several presenters
July 6 Pete Seeger legacy evening @ AMC @ 7:00 pm
July 12 Garden Spot Village residents' gathering in Concord Rm; 11:30 – 2:00
July 18 Coffee & Conversation @ Landis Homes 10-11:30; Hybrid #1 Comm. Room

Congregational prayer will continue throughout the summer at 12:30 pm on Thursdays in Rachel Nolt's office. All are welcome to join.

Save these Dates:

August 2 AMC serves community meal at First United Methodist Church, Ephrata
August 18 Benefit cabaret for March for our Lives at AMC (see June newsletter for info)
October 26-27 ACC Annual Assembly at AMC
March 30, 2019 MYF Auction

PRAYERS

I am grateful for your continued prayers for healing of a fractured vertebra. Sincere thanks for the flowers, visits, and cards. I am back in my apartment in Harvest View now and welcome visitors.
--Al Claassen

This week Bob Peifer was hospitalized following a scheduled procedure at Lancaster General Hospital. He has returned home and welcomes your prayers, notes and visits. Please call before visiting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE GIFT DISCERNMENT COMMITTEE has worked to fill the list of volunteer positions at AMC, but there are still a few openings left for you to consider. These positions begin September 1, 2018. The openings are: Vice-Chair of Congregational Council; Chair of Gift Discernment Committee; FLIP Co-Coordinator; Share-A-Life Coordinator; MYF Coordinator; and Mission Festival Coordinator. If you have any interest in any of the above positions or if you know of someone who you think would be open to serving, please be in touch with Janet Weber. Please feel free to contact Janet at 717-733-2132 or email at weberjj@ptd.net.

RACHEL NOLT is out of town July 6-14. For pastoral care please contact Dale and Dot Hershey from the 6th until July 9th and then contact Melody Rupley for the remainder of the time.

INVITATION: Nancy Heisey, Cara Longacre Hurst and Marta van Zanten and their families invite AMC friends and family to join us for a brief service as we bury Paul Longacre's ashes at Akron Mennonite Church Cemetery. The service of committal will be held at 10:30 am on Thursday, July 5, at the cemetery. Following the service, you are welcome to join us for a light lunch in the Assembly Room. Please let Rebecca know **by July 2** if you plan to join us for this time of visiting.

CELEBRATING PETE SEEGER: On Friday July 6, at 7:00 p.m., join us at Akron Mennonite Church (1311 Diamond St, Akron, PA) for a potluck picnic hootenanny to celebrate the legendary folk singer and activist, Pete Seeger. Pete was an American with courage to speak truth in hard times, and composed many songs to make his points. Bring a dish to share or your meat to BBQ on our grills, and a chair. Most important, bring your voice and instrument to enjoy the song swap and hoot. Rain or shine, we'll move inside if necessary. Robert V Peters, a close friend of Pete for over 37 years will share stories, and his son Pierre will sing a few songs and lead the song swap and hootenanny. Sponsored by supportive people, this is a fun inter-generational event and all are welcome. A voluntary offering will be taken to support the peace and justice ministries of Akron Mennonite church. For more information, contact John Stoner at jstoner42@windstream.net or 717 859 3388.