

Ridgeview Mennonite Church
3723 Ridge Road, Gordonville, PA 17529
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March 12, 2023

Called by God to learn and share together God's love with all creation.

SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:00 AM

WORSHIP SERVICE 10:15 AM

Worship Leader: Joanne Dietzel

Prelude
Gathering Song
Welcome & Announcements
Receiving Our Tithes and Offerings
Lighting the Peace Candle

Call to Worship

L: Come, let us worship and bow down;
let us kneel before God, our Maker!

**P: God is creating the whole universe.
God rules the infinity of time and space.**

L: Come to sing your thanksgiving to God;
make a joyful noise with songs of praise.

**P: God has supplied us with food and water;
God feeds us and quenches our thirst.**

L: Come to express your faith and hope;
then listen for the still, small voice of God.

**P: God who is Spirit seeks us day by day;
God calls us to worship in spirit and truth.**

Congregational Singing
Children's Time

Scripture: Psalm 95
Message *Shaped through Thirst* Pastor Audrey
Song of Response
Benediction
Sending Song

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Tue 10:00 a.m. Tuesday Alive... Dr. Conrad Kanagy will tell his story of coping and thriving after a diagnosis of Parkinson's disease at the young age of 55. He teaches sociology at Elizabethtown College.

Wed 7:00 a.m. Men's breakfast @ Amos' Place
9:00 a.m. Food Pac

ANNOUNCEMENTS

JOYCE SHIRK will be out of the office this week.

WE CONTINUE TO NEED VOLUNTEERS to brew the coffee for our fellowship time on Sunday mornings. No volunteers could mean no coffee and snack. So, if you like to drink and eat, would you volunteer to help. A signup sheet is in the lobby.

PASTORAL TRANSITION DISCERNMENT...the current plan is for Sunday school class discussion on Sunday, March 19, followed by a congregational meeting Sunday, March 26. Both meetings will be 9:00 – 10:00 a.m.

"Main Thing" questions for discussion, Sunday, March 19:

1. What is our congregational mission and vision? How is it shaped by Anabaptist/Mennonite faith perspective? What are the priorities that are shaped by our vision/mission?
2. What are our expectations of the pastor's role in the congregation?
3. What trends/changes do we envision in the congregation for the next five years?

WE ARE PLANNING ON offering anointing for whoever wishes it on Sunday, March 19. The laying on of hands and anointing are symbolic acts of claiming God's kingdom and rule in the life of a person. Biblically, anointing was used in the consecration of Israel's leaders, to convey a spirit of gladness, as medicine or cleansing and as a symbol of the Holy Spirit. We offer anointing and prayer for any who desire wholeness, healing or empowerment in regard to specific testing, illness, or wholeness in relationship. If you would like anointing, take time this coming week to pray and prepare your heart (James 5:13-16). You can also contact Audrey ahead of time or before church that morning.

ACC SPRING ASSEMBLY, April 22, 9:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. at African Community Church of Lancaster, 8 W Colebrook St, Manheim. The morning session will feature delegate business and a celebration of Merv Stoltzfus' ministry. After lunch we'll hear from three speakers who will lead a session on "re-storying mission". These conversations, led by Emily Ralph Servant, Eric Frey Martin and Nelson Okanya, will cover where we've been and where we're going as we notice God's presence and join God's work in the world.

REPORT FOR March 5

Offering \$4,748.81 Attendance 75



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