



# PAOLI MENNONITE FELLOWSHIP

June 7, 2015

*We welcome all persons  
to worship, study and fellowship with us as we continually  
seek to be faithful disciples of Jesus.*

## Call to Worship

Leader: Samuel was a young boy whom God called, and Samuel responded.

**All:** God calls us too!

Leader: Esther was a queen whom God called to do what is right.

**All:** God calls us too!

Leader: Mary was a young woman whom God called to be the mother of Jesus.

**All:** God calls us too!

Leader: The fishermen were called by Jesus to follow him, and they did.

**All:** Jesus calls us to follow him too!

Leader: God calls us to be followers of Jesus Christ, and by the power of the Holy Spirit,

**All:** to grow as communities of grace, joy and peace, so that God's healing and hope flow through us to the world.

## For Prayer

Pray for those who are grieving the recent loss of a loved one, particularly for Connie Gilliom following Bob's death; and Dave, Debby, and Patsy Heinz and their family in the death of Mary Parks. May God's gracious Spirit walk with them in this time of sorrow and grant them strength and peace.

Pray for the Elders, the congregation, Rebecca and Matt during this leadership transition time.

Be in prayer for the upcoming area conference meetings, as well as the Mennonite Church USA convention, and for those who are working to plan these significant events. Pray for our MYF and sponsors as they prepare to attend the convention in Kansas City, June 30 – July 5.

Remember Sophie Sears and Isaiah Friesen in prayer as they study and experience life in Nicaragua through Goshen College's "Study Service Term." (See <https://www.goshen.edu/nicaragua/> for updates).

## This I Believe

*"The place God calls you to is the place where your deep gladness and the world's deep hunger meet." Frederick Buechner*

## Gathering to Worship

Gathering Songs

Welcome and Introductions

Call to Worship *(See back of bulletin. )*

Opening Prayer

## Songs From VBS

## Recognizing Special Days *(Birthdays, anniversaries)*

## Opportunities for Generosity

Special giving focus for June is Mennonite Central Comm.'s relief work in Nepal  
Coins for Foods Resource Bank

## Hearing God's Story

Children's Time: stories, verses, and songs from Vacation Bible School

## Sharing from Our Story

Scriptures: Romans 12: 3-21; Exodus 6: 6-8; and I Peter 2:10

This I believe: 'I believe in community . . .'

Response

## Going Out to Tell the Story

Commissioning new committee members

Sharing joys and concerns / intercessory prayer

Announcements

Sending song: We will walk with God, SJ 78

Benediction

**PASTOR-ELDER TEAM**

Rebecca Kauffman, Pastor 653-4140  
Matt Pflederer, Pastor 653-4131  
Mary Beth Gibbons 723-2723  
Ted Larrison 723-3826  
Lonnie Sears 723-0722

**MINISTERS**

All the congregation

**CHURCH OFFICE**

**Pastors:** Rebecca Kauffman; Office Hours – Tues 9-4, Wed 9-1, Thurs 1-5  
Matt Pflederer; Office Hours – Mon, 1-3 pm, Tues, Wed, Fri. 9:00 am – 12:00 pm  
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**OUR COVENANT**

In covenanting together, we affirm that Jesus Christ is Lord. We gratefully acknowledge him as our Lord and accept his teaching as the way to live. We recognize the importance of:

- Regular Bible study, worship with others, and prayer as a vital part of our Christian life.
- Taking each other seriously, contributing our gifts and caring for one another in love to strengthen the Christian body.
- Living and sharing the Good News as Christ has taught us and as the Holy Spirit enables.

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**TODAY** June 7, 2015 (worship at 10:00 am)

***This I Believe***

Worship Leader: Rebecca Kauffman  
Music Leader: Marlene Beachy & Sandi Sears  
Meditation: Ted Larrison  
Greeters: Larry & Trish Moore  
Nursery: Cynthia Parsons/Veronika Sukup  
A.V.: Jamey Sullivan

**NEXT SUNDAY** June 14, 2015 (worship at 10:00)

***This I Believe***

Worship Leader:  
Music Leader: Marlene Beachy  
Meditation:  
Greeters: Louise & Jim O’Connell  
Nursery: Aaron Johnson/Becky Johnson  
AV: Jamey Sullivan

**TODAY**

Using the theme “Message Received: Hearing God’s Call”, our worship this morning features some of the stories and songs the children learned during Vacation Bible School last week. God calls us to listen, to courageously work together for what is right, to trust God’s plan, and to follow Jesus. God also calls us to be the Body of Christ *in community* and Ted will share his experiences and thoughts about that.

Following worship, our inter-generational activity will be to participate in doing some of the crafts and activities that the children did during Vacation Bible School.

**NEXT SUNDAY**

Deborah was a prophetess and judge during Israel’s early history. We will hear her story.

**THIS WEEK**

Mon. 8<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 pm – Worship Committee meeting

Wed. 10<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 pm – PET meeting at Yolanda’s house

Thurs-Sat. – Central District Conference’s annual meeting, held in Elkhart, IN. Matt, Ted, and Duane will attend this meeting on behalf of PMF.

**UPCOMING**

June 18-20 – Indiana-Michigan Conference’s annual session, held in Indianapolis. Rebecca, JoAnn B. and Milton will attend on behalf of PMF.

June 28 – mark your calendar! We will have a special service to celebrate Matt’s work

among us and recognize his final Sunday at PMF.

June 30 – July 5 – MYF attend the Mennonite Church USA youth convention, in Kansas City, MO. Rebecca will attend the adult portion as PMF’s delegate. More information can be found at: <http://convention.mennoniteusa.org/>

**Summer Campout August 29 – 30**, Tipsaw Lake. Mark your calendars now. Details will be out later in June.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**A huge Thank You!!!** to all the students who participated in VBS, and to everyone who helped make VBS such a success this year! Thank you to teachers, activity leaders, cooks, musicians, drama actors, helpers, and pray-ers. The time, skills and love you offered was a gift to the children and the congregation. May each of us continue to hear God’s call and receive the message for us!

Toss your loose change into our **“Penny Power”** collection this summer and help people around the world produce their own food through Foods Resource Bank. This year we’ll have a ‘boys versus girls challenge’.

**New in magazine rack:** *Courier* newsletter from Mennonite World Conference, and May issue of *The Mennonite*

**New on the bulletin board:** Thank you letter from Lacy Brinegar; “Behind the Hammer” newsletter from Mennonite Disaster Service; a short article on Central District Conference historian and archivist; Menno-hof newsletter.