

Congregational Response

Rebecca, we affirm your ordination to pastoral ministry and thank God for you. We pledge to join you in the shared ministry of being the church of Jesus Christ. We believe that through the Holy Spirit, God has given you leadership gifts and has empowered you for ministry among us and to the world God loves.

The charge to you becomes a charge to us, for the work of the church is the work of us all. Just as you exercise your gifts in equipping us for the work of ministry, we will exercise our God given gifts for the good of all.

As brothers and sisters in Christ, we freely pledge our prayers, our resources, our cooperation and our encouragement. Together, let us follow Jesus and share the Good News of healing and hope.

For Prayer

Continue to hold Duane and Sherry and their family in prayer as they journey together. Give thanks to God and celebrate with Duane the milestone of his 76th birthday today! Praise God for these years of life, faith, and witness; may God's comfort and love continue to rest on Duane.

Pray for healing for Connie following her fall, and for the upcoming surgery. Give thanks for the peace she has experienced in the midst of it.

Lift Allen James in prayer as he recovers from his first cataract surgery this past week, and as he anticipates surgery on his other eye this Monday. May God's healing and peace be upon him.

Pray for all those who are gathering from around the world for the Mennonite World Conference this week (Tues.-Sat) in Harrisburg, PA. May the Holy Spirit be active in worship and conversations; may each participant feel the joy of being in Christian fellowship, connected in mission by the God who calls us to hope and shalom. Persons attending from PMF include Milton and JoAnn, and Curtis, Yolanda, Leah, Audrey, and Hannah.

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

Continue to pray for strength and comfort for those who are living with cancer, including Mickey Lewellyn and Donald Parsons.

Pray for all those in the congregation who are traveling this month. May God grant safety, as well as times of rest, rejuvenation, and relationship - building.



PAOLI MENNONITE FELLOWSHIP

July 19, 2015

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

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 Song: Open my eyes – H 517

Welcome and Introductions

Call to Worship: Psalm 8

Singing Our Praise:

Praise, I will praise you, Lord – H 76

Lord Jesus, you shall be my song – SJ 14

Guide my feet – H 541

Celebrating Shalom: Wally Shellenberger

Opportunities for Generosity - Special giving focus for July Is Jubilee Clinic

Penny Power: Coins for Foods Resource Bank

Song: We are giving with the heart of God

Hearing God's Story

Children's Time: Jesus (and Peter) walk on the water, Mathew 14: 22-33

Sharing from Our Story

Meditation – Frances Ringenberg

Service of Ordination – led by Lois Johns Kaufmann and Doug Kaufman

Congregational Response (see back)

Song: Take O take me as I am – SJ 81

Going Out to Tell the Story

Sharing joys and concerns / intercessory prayer

Announcements

Sending: Now go in peace – SJ 74

Benediction

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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.

TODAY

Following a period of licensing, PMF last winter affirmed Rebecca’s gifts and recommended to the Conferences that she be ordained for pastoral ministry. This Sunday Rebecca’s ordination service will take place, led by our Conference Ministers. Ordination is a celebration of the calling and blessing of a person to a lifetime of ministerial leadership. It affirms a person’s inner call by God and the call of the congregation to serve. It is a covenant between God, the church, and the person; and is intended to empower the pastor and to nurture the growth of the Church. Following the service, all are invited to stay for a pitch-in meal and time of fellowship.

NEXT SUNDAY

Tabitha was a disciple who demonstrated her passion for Jesus through "good works and acts of charity." We will hear her story from Acts 9: 36-43. Also, Wally will share reflections on seeking and seeing God's face. What do the following verses have in common? Psalm 42:1, Ps. 27:8, & Rev. 22:5. How do they give meaning to each other?

THIS WEEK

Tuesday, July 21 – 26, Mennonite World Conference, Harrisburg, PA.

UPCOMING

Inter-generational activities coming up include: July 26 – Logan P. will give a presentation on his trip to Swaziland. Children and adults will enjoy seeing pictures and hearing about life in southern Africa. August 2, All are invited to join mentor/mentee pairs as they place their tree markers.

Aug. 2, 5:00 pm – gather for the annual Back-to-School Pitch-in meal & Ice Cream Social, a time to bless our students and teachers. Bring finger foods and ice cream toppings.

Aug. 5 - ELF Night featuring Audrey Thill sharing from her experiences in Cambodia through MCC's Serving & Learning Together (SALT) program. More details to come.

Aug. 19 - Large Group meeting

Summer Campout, August 29 – 30, Tipsaw Lake. Mark your calendars now. Detail registration flyer is in mail boxes or on the PMF web page.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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 you can contribute to the boys jar or the girls jar (or both!)

Mentor mentee pairs: August 2 is the date for placing tree markers. To be ready for this day you need to choose a tree and tell or show Curtis the location, so he can arrange the posts for the markers.

SEMILLA, the Latin American Anabaptist Seminary, based in Guatemala City, serves over 650 students from Mexico to Panama, and 250 students from North American Anabaptist colleges and universities. SEMILLA will sponsor a “Guatemala Learning Tour” this Oct. 1-13. See bulletin board for poster with more details, or contact Jerry & Leonor Kennell at ambassadors@semillalaas.org.

New in magazine rack: *behind the hammer*

New on the bulletin board: *Courier Correo Courier*

<u>TODAY</u> July 19, 2015 (worship at 10:00 am)	<u>NEXT SUNDAY</u> July 26, 2015 (worship at 10:00)
<i>This I Believe</i>	<i>This I Believe</i>
Worship Leader: Mary Mininger	Worship Leader: Rebecca Kauffman
Music Leader: Marlene Beachy	Music Leader: Keith Gibbons
I Believe Frances Ringenberg	I Believe: Wally Shellenberger
Greeters: Keith & Mary Beth Gibbons	Greeters: Gail Brown
Nursery: Sam Kinsey/Donna Mosemann	Nursery: Wendell Lantz/Kym Kinsey
A.V.: Larry Lehman	AV: Larry Lehman