

# PAOLI MENNONITE FELLOWSHIP



July 22, 2018

*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: Gracious, Holy One,  
we joyously come together to worship, realizing  
we need not summon you into our midst, for you are here.

**People: We need not call you into the secret places of our hearts,  
for you are there.**

Leader: We do ask for your help: to open our eyes of faith so we may see  
you;

**People: to unstop our ears so we may hear you,**

Leader: to open our minds so we may know you;

**People: to soften our hearts so we may receive you.**

**All: We are here to worship with our whole selves.**

Song: Jesus, we are here – SJ 6

## Prayers

Pray for migrants who made the difficult choice to leave their home communities in the hope of a better life, for the detained immigrants and children as they wait in detention and for the border patrol agents to execute their job justly and humanly.

Remember Audrey Thill and the Peace Bridges Organization in Cambodia as they organize the annual tree planting event in Cambodia's Prey Lang forest. May their goals of protecting the forest, environment education, relationship building and care the environment be realized.

Evie's brother-in-law, Floyd Sowers, experienced a major stroke about two months ago. He has been in rehabilitation and has recently decided he does not want to continue tube feedings or medication and is wanting to die. Prayers for the family are appreciated as they continue to discern the way ahead.

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## Prayer – Tuning In

*Focus: God is always present and active in our lives and in the world. Our practices of prayer are like tuning into a frequency that creates an awareness of God's presence all around us.*

### Gathering to Worship

Gathering Song: Be Thou my vision – H 545  
Welcome and Introductions  
Call to Worship (see back of bulletin)

### Singing Our Faith

What a friend we have in Jesus – H 573  
Lord teach us how to pray aright – H 350

### Celebrating Shalom – Evie Shellenberger and Berenice Nunez

**Opportunities for generosity** – Special “noisy offering” for July goes to Food Resource Bank.

### Hearing God's Word

Children's Time: Three important prayers: Thanks! Help! Wow!  
Scripture: Luke 11: 1-13  
Meditation: Becoming the answer to our prayers

### Response

Collecting our mealtime prayers

### Sharing joys & concerns/Prayers of the People

Song: Lord, listen to your children – H 353

### Announcements

### Sending

Guiding Spirit, bless our journey as we leave this space.  
May we go into the world and be a place and a people  
of welcome, signs of a new creation and of God's embracing love!

**Before leaving please put all songbooks under your seat and be sure the tables are Cleaned. Thank you!**

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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.

<p><b>TODAY</b> July 22, 2018 (worship at 9:30 am)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><i>Practicing Faith</i></b></p> <p>Worship Leader: Evie Shellenberger  Music Leader: Keith Gibbons  Meditation: Ben Isaac-Krauss  Greeters: Crystal &amp; Jon Shellenberger  Nursery: Dessica Albertson  A.V.: Wally Shellenberger</p>	<p><b>NEXT SUNDAY</b> July 29, 2018 (worship at 11 am)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><i>Shalom Sunday</i></b></p> <p>Worship Leader: Mary Mininger  And Dave Woodsmall</p>
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**TODAY**

As we continue our worship series on "Practicing Faith," we explore together the transformative power of prayer that draws us into the love and presence of God.

**NEXT SUNDAY**

Our worship next Sunday will take place at the Red Cross shelter at Spring Mill. We will gather at 11:00 for a short worship time together which will be followed by a pitch-in lunch. Bloomington Mennonite Fellowship has been invited to join us for this time together. Come and enjoy the gifts of summer together.

**THIS WEEK**

Tuesday, July 24: Join the community to learn more about the opening of the **Recovery Engagement Center** in Orange County. This will be held at Christ the King Catholic Church meeting hall at 6:30 p.m. This center is a response to the needs of addicted persons within our county.

Darren, Veronika, Matthew, Hannah and Quinton will be attending the "**Know Jesus**" event at Goshen College on July 27-29. Remember them in your thoughts and prayers as they travel and engage in the experiences of this weekend.

**UP COMING**

Annual **Back to School Ice Cream Social**, August 12, 5-7 pm.

Annual PMF **Summer Campout** will be held August 25-26 at Tipsaw Lake. Mark your calendars now, and stay tuned!

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**MCC Great Lakes sent the congregation a thank-you letter** for the 30 hygiene kits we recently assembled. Assembling such kits is one tangible way we can respond to the suffering around the world.

On August 4, **21 youth and their sponsors from a Kansas** congregation will be staying overnight at the church as they head to Virginia for a service project there. They will be arriving Saturday afternoon and will leave early Sunday morning. Darren, Jon and Stori have planned a welcome for them and are arranging a time to interact with our youth group. Such an experience allows us to practice hospitality!

Beginning in August, **Circle of Care** will be including on the monthly calendar recognition of those among us who have died. It will be an opportunity for us to continue to remember those who continue to live with this loss.

Evie and Wally Shellenberger will be gone from July 25 until August 8. Please direct any concerns during that time to any member of PET.