

WEST SWAMP MENNONITE CHURCH

Worship Service

August 15, 2021

10:30 A.M.

Prelude

“Where the Spirit of the Lord Is” ~ *Stephen R. Adams*
“My Life Is in You, Lord” ~ *Daniel Gardner*
“Be Thou My Vision” ~ *Wesley King*

Opening Song

“As the deer” (Psalm 42) Screen

Gathering & Praising

Welcome & Prayer

Songs of Praise

“O Lord, our Lord” (Psalm 8) #112, Screen
“Let’s sing unto the Lord” (Psalm 19) #55, Screen
“Forever” (Psalms 136 & 113) Screen

Hearing the Word

Scripture Ephesians 5:15-20

Sermon

Pastor Michael

Responding to the Word

Song of Response “Speak, O Lord” Screen

Community Sharing & Prayer

Sending Song “Be thou my vision” #545, Screen

Benediction

Postlude

This Sunday

Worship Leader: Emily Rush
Greeters: Tim & Karen Butenuth
Pianist: Joan Hallman
Chorister: Lynne Rush
Videographer: Mark Kemmerer
Visual Technicians: Marsha High, Emily Rush
Sound Technicians: Glenn High, Tim Scheetz

Nursery Service is not being offered at this time.

Sunday School Classes for Summer Quarter

The Bible Project continues to meet in Room 104 and via Zoom at 9 am. We are currently studying the Gospel of Mark. Contact Lynne Rush if you would like to join this class.

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Commissions & Deacons:

Ministry Team, Randy Rush

Community, Nancy Jacobs

Discipleship (DISCO), Lori Farrell

Mission, Glenn High

Stewardship, vacant

Worship, vacant

Church Secretary: Lynne Rush

Treasurer: Pat Bevan

~ *What's Happening at West Swamp* ~

Men-O-Lan Sunday: Next Sunday we are at Men-O-Lan, in fellowship with Solidarity & Harmony Church. The day includes worship at 10:30 am, followed by lunch and afternoon activities (lawn games, hiking, boating, pool time). We have made plans to enjoy the day, while doing our best to ensure safe practices. We will worship outside, with seating on the paved area and under the trees around the auditorium. Please bring lawn chairs; picnic tables and folding chairs will also be available.

The picnic lunch will be a safe "Pick up and Go" style setup, with wrapped sandwiches, snacks, sides and desserts. Also corn and melons from Windy Springs Farm! Again, seating will be outdoors, on paved areas or under the trees at camp. **The Kitchen Committee is asking for donations of individual sized drinks, or individually wrapped cookies or brownies.** (Solidarity and Harmony folks are also bringing cookies and brownies). A sign-up sheet will be in the foyer this Sunday, and an e-mail will also be sent containing a sign-up website. To make sure there is enough food, **please sign up so we have an accurate count for the Kitchen Committee.**

New Photos needed: We need new, good quality photos for the church website. Are you a good photographer? Then please take some pictures of church activities and send them to the office.

Greeters needed—and a greeter coordinator would be very helpful too! If you can fill either role, please contact the church office.

~ *What's Happening in the Community* ~

This week, all Mosaic congregations are praying for the Indonesian Mennonite churches in Central Java. We join our Indonesian sisters and brothers in praying for those who are responding to COVID by providing support to those struggling with illness as well as advocating for prevention and care to avoid further spreading the virus that has overwhelmed the nation's health-care system.

A new video from Mennonite Church USA shows how the **Justice Fund** is supporting peace and justice work across the denomination through mutual aid. See how Justice Fund grants are helping congregations dismantle racism, uplift the oppressed and promote peace: <https://www.mennoniteusa.org/justice-fund-video>.

You're invited to the following **events** in September, hosted by **Mennonite Historians of Eastern PA (MHEP)** :

- September 7, 6:00 pm – an amazing story of God's endless love and grace, *A Rose in a Ditch*, is a memoir written by Julie Henning who was raised as Pearl Buck's daughter. Julie will be available for book signing after her speaking engagement.*
- September 15, 7:00 pm – join them for an evening filled with rich local history as Mike Szilagyi presents stories and pictures of the railways that spanned Montgomery County.

*If you are interested in getting a signed copy of Julie Henning's book but can't make it on Sept. 7, the author will be signing books at Ten Thousand Villages Souderton on Saturday, Aug. 28 from 1-4 pm. Copies of the book will be available for purchase.

Church Office Hours

Pastor Michael: Monday-Thursday, 9-1

Lynne: Monday, Tuesday and Thursday, 8:30-1:30.