

# WEST SWAMP MENNONITE CHURCH

*Fifth Sunday in Lent*

April 3, 2022

10:30 A.M.

## Seeking God's Ways

*For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways, says the Lord.*  
—Isaiah 55:8

### Prelude

“Lenten Meditation” ~ *Gerald Peterson*  
“The Cross of Christ” ~ *Dan R. Edwards*  
“Wondrous Love” ~ *Benton Price*

Opening Song “You are all we have”  
Welcome & Call to Worship

Worship Music “When I survey the wondrous cross” *Chimin' In*

Scripture Isaiah 43:16-21

Songs of Praise “Praise the Lord, sing hallelujah” #50, v. 1  
“Praise him, praise him” #100, v. 1  
“Praise, I will praise you, Lord” #76, v. 1-2  
“10,000 Reasons”

*(Children 4 yrs-5th grade dismissed for Children's Church during song)*

Prayer of Confession  
Scripture John 12:1-8

Message *Pastor Michael*

Song “The wonderful cross”

Sharing & Prayer

Sending Song “You are all we have”  
Benediction

Postlude “God's Love Shine on You” ~ *J.S. Bach*

## This Sunday

**Worship Leader:** Les Rice  
**Greeters:** Don & Nancy Jacobs  
**Organist:** Joan Hallman  
**Musicians:** Lynne Rush, Brenda Landt  
**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 Spring Quarter

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

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### **Commissions & Deacons:**

**Ministry Team,** Randy Rush

**Mission,** Glenn High

**Community,** Nancy Jacobs

**Stewardship,** vacant

**Discipleship (DISCO),** Katie Mood

**Worship,** vacant

**Church Secretary:** Lynne Rush

**Treasurer:** Pat Bevan

Tomorrow, Eastern Mennonite High School students will conclude their week-long **Mennonite Mission Network** civil rights tour in the southern United States through the Youth Venture program. Pray for participants as they apply their new perspectives to the injustice in their home communities and congregations. Pray also for participants in Youth Venture's two July civil rights tours and an immigration/ borderlands tour. Application deadline is May 1.



A large rectangular area with horizontal lines, intended for writing prayer requests.

*Continue to pray for those in our congregation who are experiencing illness and ongoing medical treatment.*

*Welcome to West Swamp Mennonite Church*  
*April 3, 2022*  
*Reflecting God in our living, loving & serving*

**Calendar**

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|------------------|---------------------------|
| Apr. 3           | Easter Flower orders due  |
| Apr. 3, 11:30    | Filling Easter Eggs       |
| Apr 5, 8 am      | Knotting & Quilting       |
| Apr. 7, 7 pm     | Sermon Discussion Group   |
| Apr. 9, 10 am    | Easter Egg Hunt           |
| Apr. 10, 6:30 pm | Second Sunday Craft Night |



**Weekly Prayer Focus:**

*Pray for MCC Partners in Ukraine who are doing their best to meet individual and community needs in the midst of this violent conflict.*

~ *What's Happening at West Swamp* ~

**Children's Church** (pre-K through Grade 5) continues through next Sunday. Join us for puppet videos and crafts!

**Easter Flower Sale:** The Community Commission are taking orders for daffodils and lilies for Easter, to raise money for a new bench in the Prayer Garden. There is a sign up sheet in the Fellowship Hall. Sign up **today**. Pick up your flowers on Apr. 10.

**Easter Egg Hunt, Apr. 9:** Bring your children or grandchildren, invite your neighbors to this 10 am, rain or shine event. Prizes and snacks! How can you help? Stay after church today to fill the plastic eggs or come Saturday to help at the event. Contact Nancy Jacobs about the last one.

**April Second Sunday:** Join us Apr. 10 at 6:30 for spring crafts! Choose from a few crafty options, like painting small flower pots or making sock bunnies. We'll have light refreshments and worship music to get our creative juices flowing.

**Maundy Thursday, Apr. 14:** Choose to come at 6:30 pm for a simple meal of homemade soup and bread or come at 7 pm to take part in the worship service as we stand with Christ before the cross.

**Easter Dawn Service:** After a two year hiatus, we will once again join Swamp Mennonite at their church for a joint Easter Dawn service at 7 am. Light breakfast following the service.

**Sermon Discussion Small Group:** Remember that you can join this group anytime. It meets on the first and third Thursday of the month. Contact Katie Mood if interested.

~ *What's Happening in the Community* ~

All Mosaic congregations are invited to pray for summer camp preparations at **Camp Men-O-Lan (Quakertown, PA), Spruce Lake (Canadensis, PA), and Bethany Birches Camp (Plymouth, VT)**. Pray for the camps as they hire summer staff and prepare the camps to be a welcoming place of God's love this summer.

**The importance of having a will:** Do your loved ones know your final wishes? Have confidence your legacy will be a blessing lived beyond your years. The will preparation benefit for Everence members provides a partial financial reimbursement on the costs of preparing or updating your will. Learn more at [everence.com/member-benefits](https://everence.com/member-benefits).

**Ukraine Emergency Response from MCC:** On February 24, Russian military forces began an invasion of Ukraine by land, sea and air. Missiles struck several major cities in Ukraine, including the capital city Kyiv. Casualties continue to grow as Russian soldiers move through the country. **MCC is accepting donations for a response in Ukraine.** Donation checks can be mailed to: MCC, PO Box 500, Akron, PA 17501-0500. For on-line donations, go to [donate.mcc.org/cause/Ukraine-emergency-response](https://donate.mcc.org/cause/Ukraine-emergency-response).

Join **Camp Men-O-Lan** for their annual **Summerfest Open House and Spring Fundraising event** on Saturday, May 21 from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm. You can bid on auction items, enjoy great food, visit the open house, camp store & gift shop, and enjoy fun family activities. If you have items to donate to the auction, please contact Men-O-Lan.

**Church Office Hours**

Pastor Michael: Monday-Thursday, 9-4

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