

Worship Service

10:30 A.M.

“The Love of God Is Steadfast” ~ *Colin Curtis*
 “O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go” ~ *Robert J. Hughes*

Opening Song	“Gentle Shepherd”	#352
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Welcome

Songs of Praise	“Come, thou fount”	#521
	“The love of God”	
	“Hallelujah (Your love is amazing)”	
	“Your love is deep”	

Scripture Ezekiel 34:11-16
Luke 15:1-10

Worship Music “I will sing the wondrous story” *Impromptu Choir*

Message *Pastor Michael*

Song “God lights a lamp”

Sharing & Prayer

Sending Song “Go now in peace” #429

Benediction

Postlude “Postlude in C Major” ~ *V. Engel*

This Sunday

Worship Leader: Sue Howes
Greeters: Rick Hinkle & Marian Wolf
Pianist: Joan Hallman
Musicians: Brenda Landt, 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 8:45 am. We are working our way through the Epistles. Contact Lynne Rush if you would like to join this class.

West Swamp Mennonite Church

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Commissions & Deacons:

Ministry Team, Randy Rush

Community, Nancy Jacobs

Discipleship (DISCO), Katie Mood

Mission, Glenn High

Stewardship, vacant

Worship, vacant

Church Secretary: Lynne Rush

Treasurer: Pat Bevan

Mennonite Mission Network requests prayer for La Casa Grande (The Large House), a Christian community for children in Benin who have nowhere else to go. Pray for the children and teachers as they return to classes at Les Leaders (The Leaders), a school on La Casa Grande's campus that also welcomes children from the neighboring communities.



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

Welcome to West Swamp Mennonite Church

September 11, 2022

Reflecting God in our living, loving & serving

Calendar

Sept. 13, 8 am	Knotting & Quilting
Sept. 13, 4 pm	Church Clean Up
Sept. 14	Chimin' In begins
Sept. 18, @12 pm	Sunday Lunch Bunch
Sept. 25	Guest speaker, Juan Marrero



Weekly Prayer Focus:

Pray for peace as we remember the 21st anniversary of 9/11.

~ **What's Happening at West Swamp** ~

We will be having a **Clean-Up Day** here at church on Tuesday, **Sept. 13 at 4 pm**, to give our church interior some extra TLC. We will do mostly light cleaning, organizing and de-cluttering. No experience necessary! Come when you can, and leave when you must. If you stay long enough, you might see the pizza delivery person arrive! We will also provide beverages. There is a volunteer sign-up sheet in the Fellowship Room, but all are welcome. Hope to see you here!

Sunday Lunch Bunch is starting up again, the third Sunday of each month, right after church. This is open to everyone. Each month we either go out to a restaurant or to someone's home, to share fellowship and "get to know you" time. We will **meet at Dominic's on Sunday, Sept. 18**. Please let Joan know if you're coming. Hope to see you there.

Request from Code Blue: We are in need of some NEW, TWIN-SIZE, lightweight blankets for our guests to use on their cots this coming fall/ winter. Any color or design is fine—the SIZE is very important. These gifts from the West Swamp congregation will offer warmth to men and women we will meet this upcoming season. Questions—ask Louise B. or Linda R. Thank you for your support!

Redners tapes: With the recent closing of the Quakertown Redners, we will no longer be collecting Redner's tapes. Thanks to all who helped with this fundraiser for our church treasury for many years.

Funny Cakes for Conference Assembly: West Swamp has been asked to provide 15-20 funny cakes for the morning coffee time on Saturday, Nov. 3. So far we have at least a dozen promised. Are there any more bakers out there who can help bring us up to the amount needed? Contact the church office.

Chimin' In begins this Wednesday, Sept. 14 at 6:30 pm, and will practice twice a month. Please let Lynne know today if you want

to play this year (if you haven't already). **Choir** will have one Wednesday evening practice a month (probably a little more as Christmas approaches), with run throughs on the Sunday mornings we sing. You can also sign up for some smaller ensembles on an ad hoc basis. Please let Lynne Rush know if you are interested in any of these groups.

~ **What's Happening in the Community** ~

All Mosaic congregations are invited to pray for **two new pastoral staff members at Zion Mennonite Church (Souderton, PA)**. Mike Ford recently began serving as Interim Youth Pastor and Erin Constanzer began as Interim Children's Ministry Director. Pray for the children, youth, and adults as they work together with Mike and Erin during this time of transition.

Ripple is having a **Silent Auction** on Sept. 24, from 4-6 pm at First Presbyterian Church of Allentown (3231 Tilghman St, Allentown, PA 18104). The proceeds from the auction will go toward the capital campaign for purchasing the building. The auction will take place both in-person and online. If you would like to donate items, please contact the pastors at 484-602-5038 or ripplepastors@gmail.com.

Salford Mennonite Church invites you to **Gardening for Peace** on Sept. 24. Activities run from 1 to 7:30 pm. This event will be an exploration of food insecurity and gun violence and what we can do to prevent both. A variety of interactive workshops will explore these topics; free dinner for registered participants, Shane Claiborne of Red Letter Christians will give the keynote address, and Mike Martin of RAW Tools will forge a gun into a garden tool. Admission is a bag of non-perishable food. For further information and registration, go to www.salfordmc.org.

Church Office Hours

Pastor Michael: Monday-Thursday, 9-4.

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