

I have called you friends

John 15



No longer only servants

WEST SWAMP MENNONITE CHURCH

Sunday Worship

May 5, 2024

10:30 A.M.

Preludes Servant of All ~ *arr. Carol Tornquist*
What a Friend We Have in Jesus ~ *Martha Sherrill Kelsey*
O, the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus ~ *arr. Bill Wolaver*

We Gather around the Word

Opening Song As the deer

Welcome & Prayer

Songs of Praise All our praise
Shout to the Lord
Joy to the world #318

We Hear God's Word

Scripture Psalm 98

Offering More Love, More Power ~ *Jude Del Hierro*

Scripture John 15:9-17

Sermon No longer only servants *Pastor Michael*

We Respond to the Word

Song Friend of God

Sharing & Prayer

Sending Song You shall go out with joy 427

Benediction

Postlude I Could Sing of Your Love Forever ~ *Martin Smith*

This Sunday

Worship Leader: Louise Butcher
Greeter: Denny & Jan Wieand
Pianist: Joan Hallman
Musicians: Brenda Landt, Lynne Rush
Videographer: Mark Kemmerer
Visual Technicians: Marsha High, Emily Rush
Sound Technicians: Glenn High, Rod Rush, Tim Scheetz

Sunday School Classes for Spring Quarter

Find Your People Video Series: 9:30 am, Room 203.

Bible Project—Genesis: 8:45 am, Room 104 or join us through Zoom.

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Community, Nancy Jacobs

Discipleship (DISCO), Katie Mood

Mission, Glenn High

Stewardship, Alex Parzych

Worship, Joan Hallman

Church Secretary: Lynne Rush

Treasurer: Pat Bevan

Mennonite Mission Network: Robin Gingerich has served as an administrator and teacher at LCC International University in Lithuania since 2001. She requests prayer for wisdom, patience and kindness among faculty, staff and students, as they complete the school year. Pray also for an end to the war in neighboring Ukraine.



Lined area 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
May 8, 2024
Discovering together how to follow Jesus
and make our community and world a better place

Calendar

- May 5, 9:30 am Prayer Breakfast
- May 7, 8 am Knotting & Quilting
- May 8, 6:30 pm Chimin' In Practice
- May 8, 7:15 pm Choir Practice
- May 12 Mother's Day
- May 14, 8 am Knotting & Quilting
- May 14, 7 pm Mission Commission
- May 16, 12 pm Senior Luncheon
- May 19, 12 pm Sunday Lunch Bunch

~ *What's Happening at West Swamp* ~

Mark your calendar: There will be a special congregational meeting on Sunday, June 2 immediately following the worship service. Details to follow.

All those 60+ are invited to attend the **Senior Luncheon** on May 16 at 12 pm. This month's theme is a summertime picnic. Sign up on the bulletin board in the fellowship hall.

Sunday Lunch Bunch meets at the New Santiago restaurant in Coopersburg on May 19, after the worship service. Anyone is welcome to join them for food and fellowship.

Ripple Dinner: The Mission Commission is supplying a meal for the Ripple Congregation in Allentown on **May 19** and is looking for people to help serve the meal, or simply sit, eat and converse with Ripple members. Sign up on the bulletin board in the fellowship hall.

May Keiser turns 95 on May 26, and her family invites you to celebrate with her in the fellowship hall at 1 pm that day. We want to have a card shower for May as well. There is a basket in the fellowship hall, marked for May's birthday cards.

Still need a directory update? Let Lynne know.

~ *What's Happening in the Community* ~

All Mosaic congregations are invited to pray for those who struggle with mental health and for those who experience discrimination due to mental illness. We offer gratitude for the organizations providing comfort and healing for those facing mental health challenges, and helping to reduce stigma around seeking support. We pray that our congregations will be places of welcome and support.

Concert Night to support The Drop (a Quakertown Community Youth Center): Two bands will perform **May 11 at 6 pm** (doors open 5 pm) at First UCC Church in Quakertown. The bands are **Freedom in Christ** and **Once Called Saul**. The concert is free; there will be an opportunity to give a donation, 100% of which will go to The Drop.

Men-O-Lan Summerfest, May 18, 9-2: Support Camp and enjoy family fun at this annual spring fundraiser. Bid on auction items, enjoy great food, visit the camp open house, and enjoy fun activities—some especially for kids. Live auction begins at 9:30.

Church Office Hours

Pastor Michael: Monday-Thursday, 9-4.

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