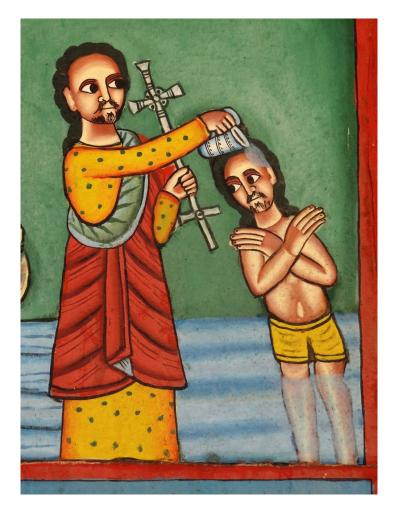
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When you pass through the waters

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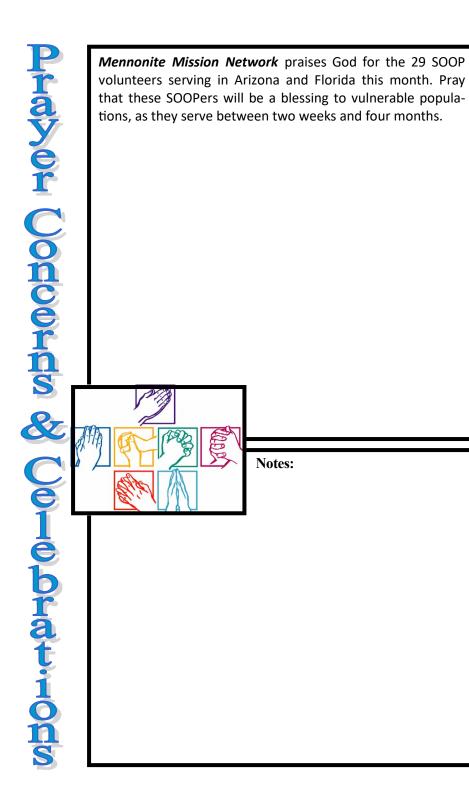
Worship Service

-			Greeters:	Don & Nancy Jacobs	
January 12, 2025		10:30 A.M.	Musicians: Videographer:	Brenda Landt, I Mark Kemmere	
Prelude			Videographer: Visual Technicians: Sound Technicians:	Marsha High, F	
We Gather around	the Word				
Opening Song	As I went down to the river				
Welcome & Prayer					
Songs of Praise	Let's sing unto the Lord Praise him, praise him How firm a foundation	#55 #100 #567			
We Hear God's Wo	ord		Sunday School Classes for		
Scripture	Isaiah 43:1-7		The TLC Class (Topics, Learning and Conversation) is studying curriculum based on The Chosen TV series, 9:30 am. Bible Project—Genesis: 8:45 am, Room 104 or join us through Zoom.		
Worship Music	I know that my Redeemer lives	Chimin' In	,		, 0
Offering	God, we pause this moment ~ Merle	Good/F. Filitz			
Scripture	Luke 3:15-22				
Sermon	When you pass through the waters				
We Respond to the	Word		West Swamp Mennonite	Church	
Song of Response	Oceans		2501 Allentown Road, Qua 215-536-7468	akertown, PA 189	951
Sharing & Prayer			E-Mail: westswamp1@ver	rizon.net We	ebsite: www.westswamp.org
Sending Song	Your love is washing over me		Pastor: Michael Howes 717-419-4228, howes.michael@gmail.com		
Benediction			Commissions & Deacon		
Postlude			Ministry Team, Carl Community, Nancy J Discipleship (DISCO	acobs	Mission, Glenn High Stewardship, Alex Parzych Worship, Joan Hallman
			Church Secretary: Lynne	Rush	Treasurer: Pat Bevan

This Sunday

Worship Leader:

Katie Mood



Welcome to West Swamp Mennonite Church January 12, 2024

Discovering together how to follow Jesus and make our community and world a better place

Calendar

Jan. 14, 8 am	Knotting & Quilting
Jan. 14, 7 pm	Mission Commission
Jan. 21, 7 pm	Ministry Team
Jan. 21, 7 pm	Anabaptism at 500 Worship
	Service Livestream
Jan. 22, 6:30 pm	Chimin' In practice
Jan. 22, 7:15 pm	Choir practice
Jan 26, 1 pm	Annual Business Meeting

~ <u>What's Happening at West Swamp</u>~

The Mission Commission will be collecting **MCC Relief Kits** starting on Jan. 5. There is a list of items needed in your bulletin today. There is also a copy of the list on the bulletin board in the fellowship room and a box to put your items in. Last year, MCC shipped 28,583 relief kits to Cuba, El Salvador, Malawi, Ukraine and Zambia. Thank you for helping with this project.

Global Anabaptist Read-a-thon: MennoMedia's Anabaptism at 500 is collaborating with Mennonite World Conference in this extraordinary event as 500 voices join together to read through the entire Bible–from Genesis to Revelation–in multiple languages! Beginning on Jan. 18 the Anabaptism at 500 Read-a-thon will be available to stream online and will conclude on Jan. 21 with a live-streamed worship/celebration from Goshen, Indiana as we read together the final passage from Revelations and celebrate the launch of the *Anabaptist Community Bible*. Info for watching the livestream can be found at https://bit.ly/3C31Zja.

Annual Business Meeting, Jan. 26: We'll begin with communion during the worship service, share a meal together, and hold the meeting at 1 pm. The Community Kitchen will provide the meal; please bring a dessert to share, if you can.

Worship Leader Training, Feb. 2: Have you served as a worship leader? Have you ever thought about giving it a try? If so, join us for a pizza lunch and conversation about what a worship leader does and how to plan to lead worship.

~ <u>What's Happening in the Community</u> ~

All congregations in Mosaic Conference are invited to pray for the pastors and members of three Mosaic partners in Ministry: Iglesia Menonita del Cordero (Brownsville, TX), Iglesia Menonita Fuente de Agua Viva (Los Fresnos, TX) and Casa de Oracion de Fuentes de Agua Viva (Monterrey, Mexico) and for the immigrants in the Texas congregations. This weekend Leadership Minister Marco Güete is leading a fellowship retreat for the pastoral couples of these congregations.

Do you enjoy learning with others? Living U, the lifelong learning institute of Living Branches, will open registrations for the spring semester from Jan. 21-31. Class topics include: insights from ancient Christian questions, the Mennonite communal background of Living Branches, stories behind Peace Valley, a critical history of journalism, stents, mushroom foraging, presidents in retirement, and more. Go to https:// livingbranches.org/about/living-u-lifelong-learning/ or contact Maribeth Benner, Living U coordinator, at 215-368-4438 ext. 44204.

Save the date: The MCC Canning Event in our area is Apr. 22, 23 & 24. You can be one of over 30,000 people who volunteer with the MCC mobile meat canner each year to fill, weigh, wash and label every can. The finished cans are shipped to our partners, providing important nutrients when meat is hard to purchase. More details about signing up to volunteer will be available in the New Year.

Church Office Hours

Pastor Michael will be in Baton Rouge Monday-Thursday, helping his parents. For emergency pastoral care while he is away, contact Nancy Jacobs (215-527-6423).

Lynne: Working remotely from home and in the office when possible. If you need to reach me quickly, call me at 215-538-5311, or text 267-272-3089.