

A prayer for those experiencing crisis in this time

by Lorraine Stutzman Amstutz

O God of the captive and the free,
You have called us to walk with those exiled and called strangers.
They are our friends and our family and we feel powerless
to keep them safe.

There are those who take to the streets in righteous anger,
Holding signs, not weapons,
Crying out for the dignity of all.

For those detained in silence,
For families torn apart by forced separation,
For every person the system seeks to erase,
Let us remember them now.

May those with power be moved not by pressure,
But by conscience.
May those who legislate do so with love.
May those who protest be safe, and strong, and seen.

Be present in our streets.
Be loud in our lament.
Be near to those feeling despair.
Until justice rolls like water,
Let us pray, let us hope.
Amen



Grounding ourselves in faith

WEST SWAMP MENNONITE CHURCH

Worship Service

June 29, 2025

10:30 A.M.

Prelude Hankey ~ *William C. Fischer*
In Babilone ~ *Dutch traditional*
Jerusalem ~ *Charles H. H. Parry*

We Gather around God's Word

Opening Song Meet with me

Welcome & Prayer

Praising When morning gilds the skies #644
Great is thy faithfulness #327
Goodness of God

We Hear God's Word

Scripture Psalm 77:1-2, 11-20

Offering Grant us, God, the grace ~ *Christian Friedrich Witt*

Scripture Galatians 5:1, 11-20

Sermon Grounding ourselves in faith *Pastor Angela Moyer Walter*

We Respond to God's Word

Song of Response May you be rooted and grounded

Sharing & Praying

Sending He leadeth me #599

Benediction

Postlude

This Sunday

Worship Leader: Joan Hallman
Greeters: Bev & George Mellan
Pianist: Joan Hallman
Musicians: Brenda Landt, Lynne Rush
Videographer: Mark Kemmerer
Visual Technicians: Marsha High, Emily Rush
Sound Technicians: Carl Raub, Rod Rush, Tim Scheetz

Sunday School Classes for Summer Quarter

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

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Discipleship (DISCO), Katie Mood

Mission, Glenn High

Stewardship, Alex Parzych

Worship, Joan Hallman

Church Secretary: Lynne Rush

Treasurer: Pat Bevan

Mennonite Mission Network requests prayer for the Church of Christ in Thailand District 20 Hmong, which is an organization that facilitates ministry among Hmong communities around the world. Pray for the leaders and lay people as they witness to Jesus' love, wherever they find themselves.



Notes:

Welcome to West Swamp Mennonite Church

June 29, 2025

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

Calendar

June 29, 10:30 am	Angela Moyer Walter preaching
July 1, 8 am	Knotting
July 6, 10:30 am	Worship in the Pavilion
July 8, 8 am	Knotting
July 20, 12 pm	Sunday Lunch Bunch

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

Pastor Michael and Sue are on leave until July 6, as move Michael's parents into an apartment and arrange for the sale of their home in Baton Rouge. For emergency pastoral care while Pastor Michael is away, contact the following deacons:

- June 28-July 1—Nancy Jacobs, 215-527-6423
- July 2-4—Carl Raub, 610-554-5057
- July 5-6—Joan Hallman, 267-347-0497

Old-fashioned hymn sing, July 6: On the first Sunday in July, join us for a hymn-sing style worship service in the pavilion. Do you have a favorite hymn? Please fill out the enclosed form and put it in the marked basket. (We will try to include as many as we can.) Is there a hymn that has special meaning for you? Mark that on the form too. Worship Commission is looking for a few people to share their hymn story. (It's one way of making sure YOUR special hymn is included!)

Want some **extra fellowship on July 6**? Bring a lunch to eat in the pavilion after the service and spend a little more time as a church family. (Items to share are optional.)

Got some free time this summer? Why not help out the knotters? Join them on a Tuesday morning, or ask for a task to do at home, like ironing, cutting patches, piecing tops, and sewing the binding. Contact Lynne is interested and she'll hook you up with the knotting chief.

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

All Mosaic congregations are invited to pray for the following Ambassador participants and the congregations they are serving: **George Chile (LA [CA] Faith Chapel), Fabio Satro (International Worship Church [San Gabriel, CA]), and Ivonne Hartono (Jemaat Kristen Indonesian Anugerah [Sierra Madre, CA])**. Pray that the Ambassadors will grow in faith, leadership, and their love of Jesus as they serve and learn.

The MC USA Delegate Assembly is Friday, July 11, at the Sheraton Greensboro at Four Seasons in Greensboro, North Carolina. Delegate resources, including the agenda, bylaws, proposed bylaw changes, previous minutes and proposed resolutions, will be posted on MC USA's Delegate Assembly website, as they are available. See the web page at mennoniteusa.org/2025-delegate-assembly-resources/

Lorraine Stutzman Amstutz, MC USA's denominational minister for Peace and Justice, cries out to God for those who are harmed by changes in U.S. immigration policy and enforcement, as well as those who seek justice through peaceful demonstration, and those with the power to effect change. Read her prayer on the back of the bulletin.

Church Office Hours

Pastor Michael is until July 6 (see announcement).

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.