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Pictures from Jesus' Family Album:

Ruth

WEST SWAMP MENNONITE CHURCH

Worship Service

July 27, 2025

10:30 A.M.

Prelude Love at Home *with* Happy Our Home When God
Is There ~ *arr. Bryce Inman*
The Trusting Heart ~ *Marianne Kim*
Bind Us Together ~ *Bob Gilman*

We Gather around God's Word

Opening Song God is here among us

Welcome & Prayer

Praising Summoned by the God who made us
Praise him, praise him
I will follow

We Hear God's Word

Scripture Luke 11:1-13

Offering God Will Take Care of You ~ *arr. Lloyd Larson*

Scripture Ruth 1:14-18

Sermon Pictures from Jesus' Family Album: *Pastor Michael*
Ruth

We Respond to God's Word

Song of Response Draw the circle

Sharing & Praying

Sending Use us, God

Benediction

Postlude Abide with Me ~ *John Turner*

This Sunday

Worship Leader: Deb Stevenback
Greeters: Gretchen Isaak
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

Both the TLC class and the Bible Project class are taking a break. Join one of the classes when they start up again on Sept 14.

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Discipleship (DISCO), Katie Mood

Mission, Karen Parzych

Stewardship, Alex Parzych

Worship, Joan Hallman

Church Secretary: Lynne Rush

Treasurer: Pat Bevan

Join **Mennonite Mission Network** in praising God for the three-way learning partnership that builds up the body of Christ through Meserete Kristos Seminary, with two campuses in Debre Zeit and Nazareth, Ethiopia; Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary, in Elkhart, Indiana; and Mission Network. Pray for deepened faith on both the African and North American continents.



Notes:

Welcome to West Swamp Mennonite Church

July 27, 2025

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

Calendar

July 29, 8 am	Knotting
Aug. 5, 8 am	Knotting
Aug. 10, 10:30 am	Men-O-Lan Sunday
Aug. 17, 12 pm	Sunday Lunch Bunch

~ What's Happening at West Swamp ~

Men-O-Lan Sunday, Aug. 10: Worship and fellowship with our sisters and brothers from Solidarity & Harmony Church. Service is at 10:30 in the Auditorium. (Need valet parking? We can arrange that!) Bring a dessert if you can—in a cooler if refrigeration is needed. Bring your swimsuit for some pool time, go boating, take a nature hike, and spend time getting to know each other better. We are counting on a good West Swamp presence as we show our support of the S&H congregation during these difficult times.

MCC School Kit Challenge: In August the Mission Commission is collecting items for school kits. Back to School sales are kicking in already, so if you want to get a head start, here's the list:

- 4 spiral notebooks (70 sheets each)
- 8 new **unsharpened** pencils
- 1 ruler (flat, good quality, centimeter markings)
- 12 colored pencils (in packaging)
- 1 large eraser
- 4 new black or blue ballpoint pens
- 1 small **all-metal** pencil sharpener

Donate whole kits or individual items. We still have pencil sharpeners available for kits.

New mailing address: Carl & Cindy Raub's mailing address is now 205 N Main St, Richlandtown, PA 18955.

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 **Nueva Vida Norristown New Life Mennonite Church** (PA), as they welcome Karl McKinney to their pastoral team this month, and as they continue to search for a third pastor to complete their pastoral team. Pray for the Spirit's leading in the search, for McKinney's transition, and the congregation's thriving.

"I'm Bored!" Has Summer Boredom arrived at your household? Beat the heat – and have some fun, sharing your values of service to others. Ages 8+ are welcome to try out volunteering at Care & Share Thrift Shoppes on Tuesday, July 29 from 5-8 pm. No registration is required – more info: caresharethrift.org.

Church Office Hours

Pastor Michael: Monday-Thursday, 9-4.

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.