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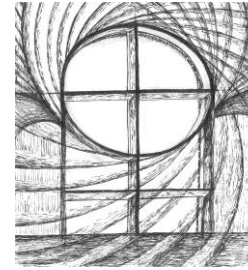
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**Belmont
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Church**



OUR COMPELLING VISION STATEMENT

We seek to be transformed by the Holy Spirit into the likeness of Jesus Christ.

*We commit ourselves to be channels of God's grace and salvation,
wisdom and power, love and peace,*

*through challenging worship, nurturing fellowship,
discipleship, and intentional ministry to those we regularly relate to,
to the surrounding Belmont neighborhood,
and to the worldwide spiritual and physical need.*

GATHERING

Morning has broken HWB 648

Call to Worship – Psalm 19

Prayer

PRAISING GOD

To God be the glory HWB 102

Love the Lord your God SS 55

Open my eyes, Lord SS 65

CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE

Kyrie eleison HWB 144

OFFERING OURSELVES AND OUR GIFTS

HEARING GOD'S WORD

My Coins Count

Children's Time

Sermon

An Essential Background Deuteronomy 6:4-9, 20-25

Growing Together into Christ Ephesians 4:1-7, 11-16

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Teach me thy truth HWB 548

Encounters with God

Congregational Prayer

SENDING

Church in Action

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WELCOME to worship at Belmont, and a special welcome to our guests. Everyone is invited to the activity center after worship for coffee and fellowship.

TODAY

Worship Leader: Larry Rohrer
Song Leader: Troy Kauffman
Pianist: Sue Paden
Scripture Reader: Katie Hinkle
Children’s Time: Paul & Mary Alice Lehman
Sermon: Daniel Schipani
Encounters with God and Church in Action: Mandy Yoder
Worship Visuals: Kris Shenk
Sound Technicians: Tony Krabill, Philip Krabill

If a hearing device would help you to participate more fully in worship, please contact an usher.

THE NURSERY/TODDLER ROOM

for infants and toddlers is staffed today by Angie Short, Chris & Erin Hipsher

LAST SUNDAY:

Attendance 114
 Offering \$6,705.00

Thank you to all who contributed to Goldenrod during the month of August, and thanks to Dave Shenk and Jay Hinkle for delivering all of the goods collected. We raised \$2,390 in support of this ministry.

Check out the new summer edition of the **Menno-Hof Newsletter**, available on the information table, for an article and pictures featuring JYF youth and sponsors.

THIS WEEK (September 3 – 8)

Monday

Office Closed

Tuesday

No Coffee Break

Wednesday

No meetings scheduled

Thursday

Mothers’ Club 9:30 am

Friday

AA Meeting 7 pm

Saturday

No meetings scheduled

LOOKING AHEAD

- **September 9** – MYF Parent Meeting at noon, followed by MYF Kick-Off from 1 – 3 pm
- **September 9** – JYF “Music & Me” 12 – 2 pm
- **September 9 – December 2** – Intergenerational adult Bible study through *Journey Forward*
- **September 16** – Questions, Questions, Questions Faith Marker
- **September 21 & 22** – MCC Relief Sale
- **September 24** – MVT 6:30 pm
- **September 26*** –Dialogue on Race and White Privilege 7 – 8:30 pm
**Please note date change*

NURTURE AT BELMONT

- Children age 3 through grade 5 are dismissed at 10:45 am to the activity center.
- Youth in grades 6 through 12 remain in the sanctuary until the end of worship, and then go to their classroom.

Nursery/Toddler Caregivers: Sarah Steiner, Marisa Klopfenstein, Annie Mathew, Victoria Brenneman, Rhonda Smucker, Julie Rheinheimer, and Lois Oyer

Pre-K/Kindergarten	Room 228
Grades 1 – 3	Room 229
Grades 4 & 5	Room 216
JYF (Grades 6 – 8)	Room 220
MYF (Grades 9 – 12)	Room 144 (CR west)
Gathering Room	Room 237

Superintendent: Rachel Smucker and Rhonda Smucker

Adults are invited to choose a class based on study topics.

SEPTEMBER 9 – DECEMBER 2

Intergenerational Bible study through *Journey Forward* for all adults

Shagbark Hickory Group Room 116

Discussion Topic: Sharing, prayers, discussion
 Facilitators: Andrea Opel, Brandon Kurtz, Katie Kurtz

Maple Tree Group (CR east) Room 145

Facilitators: Jill Kio, Ben Smucker, Sarah Steiner, Jewel Yoder, Josh Yoder

Locust Tree Group Room 118

Care Leaders: Sharon Rohrer, Judy Keener
 Discussion Topic: “Sacred Pauses” by April Yamasaki
 Discussion Leader(s): Shared by class members

Cherry Tree Group Room 117

Coordinator: Wilbert Shenk
 Discussion Topic: Justice in the New Testament
 Discussion Leader: Willard Swartley

NOTES & ANNOUNCEMENTS

September 2, 2018

New Announcements:

Next Sunday, September 9, marks the beginning of the Journey Forward study series during the nurture hour for all adults.

The 13 week study will focus on the context of God's love, discipleship, peacemaking, and transformation. Pray that this study may renew us in our relationship with God and each other, as well as share in a renewed vision for the mission of MC USA. We welcome your participation in what promises to be a life-giving experience. For more information, please see mennoniteusa.org/pathways.

CCS needs your help to move their greenhouse! CCS is moving its greenhouse to improve safety and accessibility.

When: September 11, 12, & 13, 8 am – 5 pm

Where: CCS, 907 Oakland Ave, Elkhart

Join for a few hours, or a whole day. Lunch will be provided. RSVP to Morgan: mshort@churchcommunityservices.org

Enjoy your Dessert First on Wednesday, Sept 12, 4:30–6:30 pm, at 902 S. Main Street in Goshen, while you support the **Center for Healing & Hope**. Enjoy a free dessert and buy EAT•SHOP•GIVE certificates to Goshen area restaurants and businesses. You pay \$20 for each certificate and half of the value will go to the medical care and immigrant support programs of the Center for Healing & Hope and half will go to the business. You get the full value of \$20. 25 businesses are participating this year—some for the first time. You may also purchase certificates online at CHHclinics.org beginning Sept. 13.

Advocates of the **Tolson Center** are asking for allies of those who have been served by the community center to **attend one of the four upcoming public meetings**. It is critical to have as many people in attendance as possible, regardless of whether or not you attend Tolson or plan to speak.

- Thursday, Sept. 6, 6:30-8 pm
Pierre Moran Middle School
- Tuesday, Sept. 11, 6:30-8 pm
IUSB Elkhart Campus
- Thursday, Sept. 13, 6:30-8 pm
Pierre Moran Middle School
- Tuesday, Sept. 18, 6:30-8 pm
IUSB Elkhart Campus

AMBS is excited to share plans to offer community-based living on their campus. The **AMBS Village** will give Elkhart residents a Mennonite retirement community option in Elkhart. More information can be found at www.AMBS.edu/Village. Everyone who may be interested is invited to complete the survey at the bottom of the webpage.

Repeat Announcements:

Keep your **My Coins Count** coins coming to support MCC. We are collecting money each Sunday until the Relief Sale, and are well on our way to filling the quarter cylinders.

Lost and Found – Any items not claimed by September 17th will be donated.

Please sign the sheet in the foyer if you have gone through CPP training and have been approved to work with children and youth.