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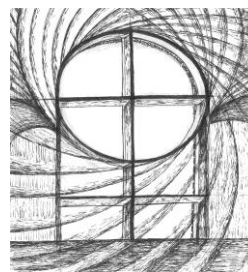
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OUR COMPELLING VISION STATEMENT

*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.*



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Gathering

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| <i>Come, let us all unite to sing</i> | HWB 12 |
| Call to Worship/Invocation | insert |

Praising God

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| <i>There is a well</i> | SS 64 |
| <i>Come and see</i> | HWB 20 |
| <i>Sing praise to God who reigns</i> | HWB 59 |

Confession and Words of Assurance

Through our fragmentary prayers HWB 347

Assurance:

*Selections from Psalm 54:4;
James 3:17 & 4:8a*

Offering our Gifts

Hearing God's Word

Children's Time
Scripture: Mark 9:30-37
Sermon

Responding to the Word

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| <i>Blest are they</i> | SJ 94 |
| Congregational Sharing & Prayer | |

Sending

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| Church in Action | |
| <i>Go, my friends, in grace</i> | SS 57 |

Nurture Hour at Belmont

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.

Worship Participants:

Worship Leader: Becky Tyson
Song Leader: Kristin Kauffman
Pianist: Ted Dyck
Scripture Readers: Tony Krabill and Philip Krabill
Children's Time: Jill Kio
Sermon: Mandy Yoder
Encounters with God and Church in Action: Larry Rohrer
Worship Visuals: Kris Shenk
Sound Technicians: Jon Schrock, Phil Lehman

The Nursery/Toddler Room for infants and toddlers is staffed today by Tom & Jill Stahly and Lauren Kauffman

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

Last Sunday:
Offering 7,615.00
Attendance 142

THIS WEEK:

Monday 9/24

MVT 6:30 pm

Tuesday 9/25

Coffee Break 10 am

Wednesday 9/26

***Dialogue on Race & White Privilege** 7 pm

Thursday 9/27

Mothers' Club 9:30 am

Friday 9/28

AA Meeting 7 pm

LOOKING AHEAD:

- **September 30** – Fun, Fellowship, and Food at Fiddler 3 – 7 pm
- **October 1** – Worship Commission 7 pm
- **October 3** – Mennonite College and Service Night 6 pm
- **October 7** – Potluck
- **October 7** – World Communion Sunday

- 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 Brennehan, Rhonda Smucker, Julie Rheinheimer, and Lois Oyer

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| 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 |

Superintendents: Rachel Smucker and Rhonda Smucker

Journey Forward Bible Study

Who: All adults

Where: Gym

When: September 9 – December 2

What: This week we will discuss restoration and commitment, along with the following Bible passage: Luke 18:18-30

Adult Sunday school classes will resume after December 2:

Shagbark Hickory Group

Facilitators: Andrea Opel, Brandon Kurtz, Katie Kurtz

Maple Tree Group

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

Locust Tree Group

Care Leaders: Sharon Rohrer, Judy Keener

Cherry Tree Group

Coordinator: Wilbert Shenk; Discussion Leader: Willard Swartley

Call to Worship

Leader: Glorious God of heaven has made a home on earth.

People: Christ dwells among us.

Leader: Christ as one of us lives among the least.

People: He journeys with the rejected and welcomes the weary.

Leader: Come all who thirst.

People: Drink the water of life.

Leader: Come all who are hungry.

People: Be satisfied with good things.

Leader: Come all who seek.

People: Be warmed by the fire of love.

Leader: We light three lights for the Trinity of love:

**People: God above us,
God beside us,
God beneath us;**

Leader: The beginning, the end, the everlasting One.

People: God of love: light a flame of love in our hearts to you.

A flame of love to our families and friends,

A flame of love to our neighbors,

A flame of love to our enemies.

Light a flame of love in our hearts to all,

from the lowliest thing that lives,

to the Name that is highest of all.

Amen.

Announcements:

September 23, 2018

*The highly rated documentary, **13th**, will be shown here at Belmont next Wednesday evening, Sept 26, at 7 pm, in the sanctuary.

Everyone is invited. Since it is a 90-minute film, we will dismiss at the end and follow-up with discussion on October 17 at the next Dialogue meeting on race and white privilege. If you have any questions, talk with Ray Hunsberger who has seen the film and is bringing it to Belmont.

Theme of the film: "The 13th Amendment to the U. S. Constitution abolished slavery. But it also included a provision many people don't know about and that is what this documentary brings to view. 'Neither slavery nor involuntary servitude, except as a punishment for crime whereof the party shall have been duly convicted, shall exist.' That clause converted slavery from a legal business model to an equally legal method of punishment for criminals."

All are welcome to visit **Goshen College during Homecoming Weekend, Oct. 5-7, 2018.** Hear from GC alumni award winners, special events related to the 50th anniversary of SST and the 60th anniversary of WGCS, attend the Peace Play, view a special Haitian art exhibit, attend the Music Gala and more. To see the full schedule and to register, visit goshen.edu/homecoming.



This summer, the **Holding It(,) Together podcast** of MC USA's Women in Leadership is focusing on "Breaking Silences" and courageously facing conversations that have been put off for too long. Listen on Apple Podcasts, Stitcher or online at <https://themennonite.org/the-latest/holding-together-podcast/>

Register now for **Women Doing Theology**, Nov. 8-10, 2018, to join MC USA's Women in Leadership in building upon a history of Anabaptist theologians, ministers, teachers, activists, creatives and many others gathering to do theological work born out of women's experiences. Find out more and register at mennoniteusa.org/wdt18.