

September 29, 2019 • Volume 64, No. 39 Sunday School: 9:00 a.m. • Worship: 10:00 a.m.

Gathering

Preservice: Come, now is the time to worship (SJ 9)

Call to Worship Pastor Dawn Ranck-Hower

Leader: People of God, open your eyes!

Look around!

The presence of our Lord Jesus Christ is here—

among us and within us.

God's salvation is close at hand—

nearer than you know.

So open your hearts and minds to the Spirit,

and let's worship God together!

Opening Prayer

Leader: Lord God of heaven and earth,

Creator of our world, and everything in it, vet as close to us as our own breath —

holy is your name.

People: In you we live and move and have our being;

we are your own children, the work of your hands.

Leader: We pray that your Holy Spirit

would move among us as we worship, opening our eyes to your presence, opening our ears to your word.

People: Receive the worship of our hearts and minds

and bodies;

may it be a pleasing offering to you.

Leader: We pray in the name of your son, our Savior, Jesus

Christ in whose death and resurrection we find life.

All: Amen.

Praising God

10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord) Shout to the Lord Sharing our Tithes and Offerings Offertory: Spirit, open my heart

Hearing God's Word

Conversation with Children

Jen Morales

(Ages 4 and under dismissed to nursery)

Cuando el pobre (When the poor ones) SI 69

(Anyone who wishes may color at the tables during the sermon.)

Scripture: Luke 7:1-22

Sermon: "Quacks Like a Duck"

Ervin Miller*

Responding

"Open the eyes of my heart" Sharing and Announcements

Congregational Prayer Pastor Dawn Ranck-Hower
(Based on a prayer by Scottish pastor MaryAnn R. Rennie)

Sending

Abre mis ojos (Open my eyes) SS 65 Benediction

* Ervin Miller was born into an Amish minister's home. His parents left the Amish church around the time that he was 4 years old. Most of his growing up years were in a Mennonite church. He has served in varying roles in the church, including Sunday School teacher, elder, associate pastor and senior pastor. Ervin and wife Erma are excited to celebrate their 40th anniversary later this year They have 5 sons, and 15 grandchildren. They live in New Holland and attend Forest Hills Mennonite.

Usher: Tim Martin; Song Leader/Pianist: Jenn Esbenshade Praise Team: Bryan Hower, Brenda Martin Hurst, Danika & Tammy Snader; Sound: Judy Nguyen Nursery: Sue Martin (Ruth Carrasco)

ATTENDANCE AND OFFERING

September 22: 42 • Offering: \$1,878.00 ELC Capital Campaign: \$2,825.00 Teacher's Appreciation: \$25.00

Upcoming Events

(All events held at church unless otherwise indicated)

- Oct 6 Worship at Spanish Mennonite, **10:30 a.m.** Fellowship Meal
- Oct 12 Men's Prayer Breakfast, Squireside Café, 7 a.m.
- Oct 13 Sermon: Dawn Ranck-Hower
- **Oct 16** Youth Group: Oregon Dairy Corn Maze, 6 p.m.
- Oct 18 Women's Luncheon, Yoder's Restaurant, 11:30 a.m.
- Oct 20 Sermon: Wayne Speigle Sunday School: Visioning for Youth and Adults
- **Oct 23** Youth Group Bible Study at Ridgeview Mennonite
- **Oct 27** At CrossNet Ministries: 9 a.m. tour, 10:00 worship No coffee provided.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

September 29: Peggy Jackson; September 30: Victor Woods

NEXT SUNDAY: October 6 • Worship at Spanish Mennonite
Pianist: Jenn Esbenshade; Praise Team: Dawn Kaczor, Jen Morales
Sermon: Dawn Ranck-Hower

Church News

LAST SUNDAY for ELC Capital Campaign Fundraiser: Make checks payable to New Holland Mennonite Church, mark "ELC Capital Campaign" in the memo line, and place in the offering during the month of September. (Monies donated to the ELC at other times should be given directly to the ELC).

Prayer Concern: Continue to hold CrossNet Ministries PATH-WAYS TO HOUSING program in your prayers as decisions are made about our church partnering with them in this program.

World Communion Sunday with Spanish Mennonite: October 6, 10:30 a.m. At New Holland Spanish Mennonite Church. Bring a hot and cold dish for the fellowship meal.

2019 ACC Nickels for Neighbors: Coins gathered **October 13** and **20** to give to Training Station Preschool, an outreach of CrossWay Church, in Maryland. The playground must be removed to allow access to plumbing updates needed underneath the equipment. The playground will be reconstructed.

ELC Teacher Appreciation: October 14. Bob Weaver will purchase veggies and fruit. Mark offering envelope with "ELC Veggie Distribution." Contact Bob if you can help on October 14.

A Preferred Future: During Sunday School on October 20 junior youth through adults (members and regular attendees) are invited to dream together. What is your picture of a preferred future for New Holland Mennonite Church? Complete the following sentence, "I have a dream that someday ..."

Worship at CrossNet Ministries: Our church has related to CrossNet Ministries for years, yet most of us have never been there. On Sunday, **October 27** we will gather at CrossNet (123 W Franklin Street) at 9:00 a.m. for a tour and introduction to the various programs they offer. At 10:00 a.m. we will gather for worship in the youth center.

Baptism/Membership: Contact Pastor Dawn if you are interested in being baptized or become a church member during our Annual Covenant Sunday on **November 24.**

Atlantic Coast Conference Annual Assembly: Saturday, **October 26.** 9:00 a.m.—1:30 p.m. For delegates and others. The morning will include worship, delegate business, congregational storytelling, and singing and sharing with Bradley Kauffman from the new hymnal, *Voices Together* The afternoon will feature workshops on a variety of topics intended to equip individuals for discipleship and ministry. For more information or to register: atlanticcoastconference.net/assembly.

Community News

New Holland Parade: On **October 2**, CrossNet and Garden Spot Village will be walking in the New Holland Parade collecting food for the Food Programs! When you see their vehicle, call out and they will grab your Food Pantry items!

Pastor: Dawn Ranck-Hower; dawn.ranck@verizon.net; 1/215/237-1485 **Leadership Team Chair:** Wade Esbenshade **Leadership Team:** Steven Lantz, Lois Zimmerman

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Cultural Competency Training with Glen Guyton: Saturday, **October 5**, 9:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Neffsville Mennonite Church, \$15 per person. The church, like our nation, is a culturally diverse group of people living and serving together. This training will help participants better understand their own implicit bias and to better engage the diversity of the body of Christ. Atlantic Coast Conference is hosting this training. Register at atlantic-coastconference.net/cultural-competency.

Maize and Snitz Fest: Celebrate the heritages of local Native American and Pennsylvania German cultures during this festival of food, crafts, and life at Herr House on Saturday, **October 5** from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Purchase tickets at <u>hansherr.org</u> or by phone at 717/464-4438.

Tuesday Alive with 55 & Up: October 8, 10 a.m. Ridgeview Mennonite Church. Caleb Wilde from Wilde Funeral Home will share.

Garden Spot Village Fall Festival: Saturday, October 12, 7 a.m.-2 p.m. Chicken BBQ, kids activities, apple dumplings, silent auctions, and much more. Money raised for the Benevolent Fund.

Explore Quilting: Learn about the history of quilting and the quilt shops of today. See samples of Mennonite and antique Amish quilts. The class will be held on Thursday, **October 17** from 7 to 8:30 p.m.at the Mennonite Information Center—2209 Millstream Rd, Lancaster. Cost \$20 for non-members, \$15 for members. Register at lmhs.org or call 717/393-9745.

Pathways to Housing Breakfast: Thursday, **October 31** at Garden Spot Village! CrossNet will be sharing the vision and updates on Pathways to Housing and well as sharing about their work towards addressing homelessness in the ELANCO community. RSVP: <u>Lisa@elancocross.org</u>.

Book Binding: Join us at the Herr House on Saturday, **October 26** from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. for a bookbinding class taught by Ramon Townsend. Students will learn the steps of bookbinding and take home their own personally handcrafted blank book. Cost is \$150. Register at hansherr.org or call (717) 464-4438.

Kenyan Meal and Auction: African Community Church of Lancaster (ACCL) invites you to a fundraiser towards the purchase of their own church building. The event will include a Kenyan meal and auction. Saturday, **November 2,** 3-8 p.m. Rohrerstown Mennonite Church, 601 Rohrerstown Road, Lancaster, Contact Pastor Sam Wanjau with any questions at 717-327-8457.

Paint a Mini Blanket Chest: Jim King will teach PA German folk art painting using traditional motifs. Acrylic paints are applied to a poplar softwood replica of an early bun footed blanket chest. No experience necessary. Saturday, **November 9**, 9 a.m.-12 p.m., Lancaster Mennonite Historical Society. Cost: \$100 nonmembers, \$85 members. Register: lmhs.org or 717/ 393-9745.

Junior and Senior Youth Group Hiking: November 10, after church

Junior and Senior Youth Group Bible Study: Wednesday, November 13, at Ridgeview Mennonite.

Tuesday Alive with 55 & Up: November 12, 10 a.m. Ridgeview Mennonite Church. (To Be Announced).

Hans Herr House Christmas Candlelight Tours: Learn about the local Native Americans and the Pennsylvania Germans, followed by the reading of the Christmas story in German while sitting in the candlelit *Stube*. **December 5 & 6**, 6 to 8 p.m.; **December 7**, 5 to 8:40 p.m. Tickets go on sale on October 1st at hansherr.org. Information 717/464-4438.

Tuesday Alive with 55 & Up: December 10, 10 a.m. Ridgeview Mennonite Church. Christmas program led by Milt Stoltzfus, the Spiritual Nature and Community Life Coordinator for Friendship Communities. Milt is an upbeat and friendly fellow who loves to spread God's love to people of all kinds. We will join in singing Christmas carols, listen to stories and maybe even have a surprise or two! An uplifting and joyful end to our 2019 season.

Junior and Senior Youth Group Bible Study: Wednesday, December 11, at Ridgeview Mennonite.

Junior Youth Group Christmas Party, December 15 Senior Youth Group All Nighter, December 31