

February 11, 2018
Worship: 9:30 am
Christian education: 11 am

GATHERING

Prelude Beth Suderman

Welcome, announcements and introductions

Call to worship

Leader: Come, follow Jesus to the sacred place where God is,
a place of intimate prayer, of open heart.

**People: We come, seeking God's face,
pierced by the power of Love's presence,
silent before the glory of divine beauty.**

Leader: Come, follow Jesus to a place of community,
to the place where sons and daughters join as one,
sharing in the bountiful grace of our Provider.

**People: We come, seeking God's face
in our brothers and sisters,
we worship, work and play,
sharing our lives together.**

**All: Jesus, lead us to the Holy One
that we might see God's face. Amen**

From Words for Worship 2, Diane Zaerr Brenneman

*Hymn *Jesu tawa pano (Jesus, we are here)* SJ 6

Lighting the Peace Candle Terri Geiser

God of Peace, Christ of Peace, Spirit of Peace, you are calling us to be
peacemakers. Today we light this candle as a reminder of our calling.

Dios de paz. Cristo de paz. Espíritu de paz. Tú nos llamas para ser
pacificadores. Hoy encendemos esta candela como recordatorio de este llamado.

CONFESSING

Confession

Silence

Assurance (unison reading) Psalm 13:5-6

**But I trust in your unfailing love,
my heart rejoices in your salvation.
I will sing to the Lord,
for he has been good to me.**

Hymn *This is a story full of love* HWB 315

LISTENING

Children's time Erik Vandrick

Scripture Mark 2:1-12 John Vargas
Hebrews 11:1-8 Hillary Harder, Trish Habegger

Sermon **If we trust, we will make it real** Febri Kristiani

RESPONDING

*Hymn *When we walk with the Lord* HWB 544

Responding in testimony and sharing Tim Stair
What spoke to you this morning? What joys and concerns would
you share? (Please be brief and focused.)

Prayer

Offering
(Please sign the attendance register at the end of the row)

*Hymn *View the present* SS 108

*Benediction Romans 15:13

*Postlude

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*Please stand if you are able for items marked with an asterisk.

Please return your hymnal(s) to a cart in the hallway.

Children grades K through 5 are invited to the playground at the
back of the sanctuary for quiet activities after the children's time.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Spaghetti and Scripture: Senior and junior high youth are invited to Jake and Elya Hess's home this evening at 5:30.

Ash Wednesday service: Join us for the Ash Wednesday service at 7 pm this Wednesday, February 14. We will celebrate our connection with creation, the earth, and God's love and grace. There will be an imposition of ashes and Hillary Harder will sing her song, "Will You Meet Us," based on a Jan Richardson poem.

Have you considered becoming a member of Hively Avenue Mennonite Church? If you are interested, please speak to one of the pastors or to Winifred Saner, senior deacon, by February 21. We would be glad to meet with you and answer any questions you may have. We will receive new members during a worship service in March.

House blessing invitation:

Please bless us with your prayers and presence
Sunday, Feb. 18 at 12:30pm
Address: 3106 S. Sixth Street, Elkhart, IN 46517
- Charlie and Terri Geiser

Lara Claassen will perform the role of Auntie Em in "The Wizard of Oz" musical at Concord High School along with several singing and dancing roles. Performances are Thursday and Friday, March 1 and 2, at 7 pm, and Sunday, March 4, at 2 pm. To purchase tickets, visit this link: concordtheater.ludus.com/index.php

The exhibit "Voices of Conscience: Peace Witness in the Great War" will be in the Goshen College Library basement from Feb. 16 to April 8. The opening reception is Sunday, Feb. 18, at 2 pm. This traveling exhibit, prepared by the Kauffman Museum (North Newton, Kansas), lifts up the prophetic insights and personal courage of World War I peace protesters and suggests parallels to the culture of war and violence in our world today.

All are invited to the presidential inauguration ceremony for Dr. Rebecca Stoltzfus, Goshen College's 18th president, on Saturday, Feb. 17, at 10 am in the Music Center's Sauder Concert Hall. The ceremony is open seating with doors open at 9:15 am.

Adult Christian Education: Starting today, adults will study the book *Grounded: Finding God in the World—A Spiritual Revolution* by Diana Butler Bass. The book is available in hardcover, paperback and Kindle edition from Amazon for prices ranging from \$5-11. The paperback version includes a 40-day devotional guide for Lent. Please purchase your own copy, if possible. The church office has purchased a few books for people who cannot make the purchase themselves.

Taizé worship Sunday evening: Goshen College students host a monthly Taizé worship service. This Sunday, February 11, all are invited to join with GC students, faculty, staff and community members for an hour of contemplative and meditative worship, inviting us to find our center in Divine Love even while so much in our world feels like it is spinning out of control. Come be restored. 8pm in Newcomer 19 on the Goshen College Campus.

Christian education today

Adult classes

Hoy en la clase para hispanohablantes, seguiremos orando unos por otros y hablando de las dificultades y bendiciones que hemos encontrado esta semana.

The English-language class will begin study of *Grounded: Finding God in the World—A spiritual revolution* by Diana Butler Bass.

Children and youth will meet in their classes as usual.

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Assisting in our worship today

Worship leader	Trish Habegger
Pianist	Beth Suderman
Song leader	Lane Miller
Ushers	Leanne Farmwald, Amanda Fast Marlyn Fast, Rich Preheim
Childcare	Elaine Frey, Joyce Odhiambo
Worship visuals	Mary Klassen
Sound system	Fabian Rosales

Hosts Louise and Virgil Claassen

Next Sunday Tim Stair, preacher
Lane Miller, worship leader
First Sunday of Lent

Attendance, Feb 4 71, including 2 guests

Calendar for the week

Wed, Feb. 14, 7 pm	Ash Wednesday service
Thurs, Feb. 15, 6 pm	Rios de Agua Viva
Sat, Feb. 17, 7-9 am	Rios de Agua Viva
Sat, Feb 17, 8 am	Men's Fellowship Breakfast

Upcoming calendar items

Spaghetti and Scripture, Feb 25, 5:30 pm
Congregational conversation focused on worship at Hively,
March 4, before and after a prepared lunch