



March 11, 2018

WELCOME TO GERMANTOWN MENNONITE CHURCH

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GATHERING

Welcome

Jeff Garis

Prelude

Aikins-Hill Family

PRAISING

*Call to Worship

Jeff Garis

One: We give thanks to you, Lord, for you are good.

All: For your steadfast love endures forever.

One: We cry out to you, Lord, in our trouble,

All: And you deliver us from our distress.

One: We see injustice done in our name, oppression of those on the margins, our neighbors denied what they need to survive and thrive, and we cry out to you, Lord.

All: Deliver us from our distress.

One: You raise up the needy and bring justice the oppressed.

All: We thank you, Lord, for your steadfast love, for your wonderful works to humankind.

*Congregational Singing

*Passing the Peace

Please offer a sign of peace to your neighbors and welcome them to our time together.

Welcome of Guests

We invite guests to fill out a welcome card found in the sleeve inside of your blue hymnal and drop it into the basket at offering time.

CONFESSING

Interlude

Jonathan Landis

Reflection

Beth Sutter

Confession

Amy Yoder McGloughlin

One: God, our scars are stories of how you brought us through.

All: We tell our stories to remember.

One: You brought your people out of enslavement in Egypt, and Babylon. You have walked with your people into the promised land, and through the valley of the shadow of death.

All: And you still walk with us.

One: We celebrate the ways you brought Beth from difficulty to new understanding.

All: We bless their journey.

(Anointing)

One: Holy one, thank you for bringing us through.

All: **Thank you for walking with your people, now and forever. AMEN.**

Congregational Singing

HWB #567 How Firm a Foundation

OFFERING

*Please come forward as you are able to offer your gifts to God. Our Special Offering for Lent is for **Into Account**, which provides resources to survivors of sexual, spiritual, and other abuse in Anabaptist and other Christian contexts. Food offering for Germantown Avenue Crisis Ministry may be placed in the baskets on the floor.*

Offering

Offertory

Aikins-Hill Family

Prayer

Congregational Singing

PROCLAIMING

Children's Time

Ken Roberts

Scripture: Numbers 21:4-9

Scripture: John 3:14-21

Sermon

Amy Yoder McGloughlin

Silence

Congregational Singing

SHARING

Sharing

All are welcome to reflect on the service and to bring joys, struggles, and other prayer concerns before God and our church community. Please wait until an usher brings you a microphone, state your name, joy or petition, and conclude with "God of Grace" and all may respond "Hear our prayer."

Prayer

SENDING

Announcements

*Congregational Singing

*Benediction

**please stand as you are able*

Following the service all are welcome downstairs for a time of fellowship and light snacks.

Today's Trustee is Jon Kauffman

Today's Hospitality Hosts are Caitlin VanderWindt & Reba McGloughlin

Today's Rug Supervisor is Jude Smithey

Nursery is provided by Alison Smithey & Grace Burkholder

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Mar 18, 2018

Worship Leader: Emily Derstine Friesen
 Speaker: Jonathan Landis
 Song Leader: Charlie McGloughlin
 Prelude/Offertory: David Himmer
 Children's Time: Chelle Bruhn
 Trustee: Joe Murzyn
 Hospitality: Bethany Flood
 Nursery: Alisha Bruhn
 Rug Duty: Chelle Bruhn
 Greeters: TBD

Mar 25, 2018—Palm Sunday

Worship Leader: Doug Brunk
 Speaker: Amy Yoder McGloughlin
 Song Leader: Teri Gemberling-Johnson
 Prelude/Offertory: Timothy Aikins-Hill & Band
 Children's Time: Jay Johnson
 Trustee: Charlie McGloughlin
 Hospitality: Anna Hoover
 Nursery: Grace Burkholder
 Rug Duty: TBD
 Greeters: TBD

LOOKING AHEAD

March 25	Palm Sunday
March 29	Maundy Thursday Service, 6 pm
March 31	Tenebrae Service for All Ages, 4pm at Vine & Fig Community (4715 Pulaski Ave.)
April 1	Easter Sunday
April 14	Discovery: A Comic Lament, 7pm-9pm
April 27-29	Women's Retreat in Pocono Manor

Welcome to Germantown Mennonite! Our guest wifi is **GMC Guest** and the password is **GMC*1683**.
 Visiting? Or maybe you've worshipped with us a few times before? We'd love to stay in touch. Be sure to fill out
 a welcome card (found inside your blue hymnals) and drop it in the offering plate.

Douglas Witmer, "School Papers," 2012. Acrylic and graphite on found paper.

Our congregation adopted a child protection policy in 2014, designed to create a culture of sanctuary and openness for all of us. Our policy states the following: All interactions between young people and adults must be visible to others and young people between 5-12 must use a "buddy system." The responsibility of child protection is on all of us. If you have any concerns about safety, you can reach out to Karla Hernandez-Thut (karlathut@gmail.com, 215-280-2118); or John Bergen (john@germantownmennonite.org, 316-803-7868). A copy of the policy is available outside the church office.