

# Benton Mennonite Church

August 29 2021

**Worship leaders:** Gloria Showalter and Patty Nofziger  
**Speaker:** Doug Kaufman      **Song leader:** Lyn Buschert  
**Peace prayer:** LaJane Yoder      **Scripture reader:** Steve Biggers

## Order of worship

Call to worship

VT 61      *You Are Holy, You Are Whole*

Peace prayer

VT 434      *O God, Our Refuge*

BF 87      *My coins count*

Offering

Confession

VT 714      *Let There Be Light*

Scripture:      Psalm 19

Sermon

Song of response

Sharing

Announcements

Sending song

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VT = Voices Together | BF = Blue Folder

## Next Sunday

- Congregational retreat Friday evening to Sunday afternoon at Amigo Centre, Sturgis MI.
- Worship at 11am in the room under the dining hall.  
All are welcome, whether or not you are registered for retreat.  
Bring a scripture, poem, song or something to share.
- We will be following Amigo's COVID protocols and wearing masks when indoors.
- If you have questions, contact Donna Risser.
- No worship at the church building.

## Upcoming event

**Sunday September 12, *Voices Together* dedication service.** The dedication service for the new *Voices Together* hymnal will include a time for requests. The planners are also looking for singers willing to practice some new hymns ahead of time and help teach the congregation. See Lyn Buschert or one of the song leaders if you are interested.

## Announcements

### Here at Benton

**Thanks for your prayers for Ritika Khati** applying for a visa to work with Clubhouse this year under the MCC International Volunteer Exchange Program. She has received the visa and will be arriving from Nepal in a few weeks! Clubhouse is looking for a place for her to stay for the next five months. Talk to Rich Meyer if you are interested or have suggestions.

**Among Doug Kaufman's sabbatical activities** was to briefly meet Senator Todd Young. Then Doug biked on the Climate Ride for the Center for Sustainable Climate Solutions. Read about it in the *Anabaptist World* article at <https://anabaptistworld.org/cross-country-bicycle-ride-for-climate-reaches-capital/>.

## Worship team for next Sunday

**Worship leader:** Anne Meyer Byler  
**Song leader:** Scott Kempf  
**Children's focus:** Jennifer Youngberg

### Offering, August 22 2021

Weekly received: \$1,212  
Weekly expected: \$3,020  
*Difference: (\$1,808)*

YTD received: \$100,607  
YTD expected: \$102,680  
*Difference: (\$2,073)*

### Building Campaign

YTD received: \$202,350  
Total received: \$378,393

**Thank you for your continuing support** of the work of the church. You can bring offerings to in-person worship, send checks to the church office, authorize automatic payments from your account, or use the donate button on the website.

***Attendance for Sunday August 22 2021***

Total: 65

Visitors: 5

***Staff hours for this week***

*Brenda*: Wednesday and Friday

*Doug*: Tuesday and Friday

*Steve*: Friday

***Relying on the Spirit,  
we will love as Jesus loves,  
pursuing God's peace  
at the river and  
at the table.***

*Announcements can be sent to [office@bentonchurch.org](mailto:office@bentonchurch.org) or called into the office.  
All information is due by 7pm, Thursday.*



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