

Benton Mennonite Church

October 10 2021 *Indigenous Peoples Day*

Worship leader: Gloria Showalter and Patty Nofziger

Speaker: Brenda Meyer

Song leader: Barb Meyer-Reed

Peace prayer: Jacob Kaufman

Scripture reader: Ashley Johar

Children's focus: Rich Meyer

Who cares about climate change?

VT 182 *I Sing the Mighty Power of God*

Peace prayer

Call to worship

VT 74 *O Worship Our God*

Offering

Prayer of thanks

VT 119 *When all Thy Mercies*

VT 747 *We Plow the Field and Scatter*

Children's focus

Psalm 104

Message *Coming in gratitude*

Response song

Sharing, prayer

Introductions, announcements

VT 128 *Many and Great*

Benediction

Today

At the conclusion of the children's focus preschool children will be dismissed for activities in the old (east) foyer. School-age children are invited to find quiet activities at the back of the sanctuary.

Next Sunday

- Worship begins at 9:30am.
- Doug will preach on "Honoring our pain for the world" connected with Jeremiah 4:19-28 and Matthew 5:4-5.
- 11 am, Congregational meeting. All participants are welcome; please read through and consider the agenda, distributed last Sunday. We want to hear from you! If you are unable to attend, please consider submitting responses in writing, or being prepared for a phone conversation.

Upcoming event

Sunday December 5, Congregational meeting

Worship team for next Sunday

Worship leader: Ruth Mischler

Song leader: Rachel Yoder Penner

Children's focus: Rachel Versluis

Greeters: Esther Kauffman and Helene Hoover

Offering, October 3 2021

General offering: \$2,822

Weekly expected: \$3,020

Difference: (\$198)

YTD received: \$118,114

YTD expected: \$120,800

Difference: (\$2,686)

Sharing Fund: \$1,016

Building Campaign

YTD received: \$208,686

Total received: \$384,729

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 October 3

Total: 67

Visitors: 5

Staff hours for this week

Brenda: Wednesday and Friday

Doug: Tuesday morning

Steve: Friday

Today Doug is at the Faith Climate Summit, Noblesville, IN with Hoosier Interfaith Power & Light. He is chairing the event and leading a Forest Worship service.

Thursday to Saturday Doug will be at the Rooted and Grounded Conference at Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary, Elkhart IN. On Friday he presents a paper "What is pastoral ecology? Considering a new approach to pastoral ministry"

Brenda will be participating in the MCUSA Constituency Leaders Council Zoom meeting on Friday afternoon and Saturday this week.

*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 or called into the office.
All information is due by 7pm, Thursday.*



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