

Benton Mennonite Church

June 12 2022

Worship leader: Ruth Mischler
Song leader: Scott Kempf
Scripture reader: Helene Hoover

Speaker: Brenda Meyer
Peace prayer: Jacob Kaufman

Order of worship

9:55am Silence and reflection

10am Welcome

Call to worship

VT 196 *Come and Seek the Ways of Wisdom*

Peace prayer

VT 38 *Life-Giver, Maker, God of All*

Offering

VT 425 *Living, Moving, End and Beginning*

Scripture

Sermon *Sabbatical reflections*

Song of response

VT 162 *The Love of God*

Sharing

Announcements

Next Sunday

- 10am, *Building dedication service* with Doug preaching connected to 1 Peter 2:4-5, 9, Psalm 84:1-5, 2 Chronicles 5:18-21, Matthew 7:24-27.
- 12noon – 2pm, *Building open house* and lunch for the new fellowship hall, kitchen, and bathrooms. Please invite neighbors and friends, former participants, and others who might be interested!

This week

Indiana Michigan Conference Annual Sessions.

- Pastors Doug and Brenda and congregational representatives John Buschert, Pat Baer, and Glo Showalter will represent Benton Mennonite.
- Worship sessions will be led by the Elkhart area Mennonite churches and held at the Chapel of the Sermon on the Mount at AMBS. All are welcome whether or not you are registered for the

sessions.

- Friday (17) 7:30pm – Testimonies from Belmont Mennonite and Belmont Neighborhood Fellowship, preacher Joanne Gallardo.
- Saturday (18) 9:00am – Testimonies from New Foundations and Piedra Viva, preacher Melody Pannell.
- 4:30pm – Testimonies from Fellowship of Hope and Prairie Street Mennonite, preacher Phil Schmidt.

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Here at Benton

This summer our worship series is again focused on telling our stories to one another. With the theme, “How my mind has changed?” you are invited to speak to the congregation sometime in late June to the end of August. Don’t take the word “mind” too literally. Heart, body, soul, feelings, faith would all be other ways to say it. What has changed for you in how you engage faith, engage your life, engage the Spirit? Sign-up sheet is on the foyer table or talk to Doug or Brenda about what you are considering.

Invasives removal at the Elkhart County River Preserve Park here in Benton. Meet at the parking lot on the east side of CR 31. From there we’ll walk to the worksite which is about a half mile from that parking lot.

- Wear: Long pants, long-sleeved shirt, and closed-toe shoes.

- Bring: Work gloves, bug spray, and water bottle.

James Loewen will provide loppers and daubers. We’ll focus on bush honeysuckle, although there is also autumn olive and multi-flora rose to consider. Please RSVP to James at

james@everspring-energy.com.

Saturday June 18, 9am to whenever the group gets tired (no later than noon)

Worship team for next Sunday

Worship leader: Jerrol Shaum

Song leader: Lyn Buschert

Peace prayer: Lorna Troyer

Scripture reader: Donna Risser

Greeters: Dee Swartz and Marian Miller

Attendance for Sunday June 5 2022

Total: 67

Visitors: 6

Offering, May29 and June 5 2022

Received: \$5,242

Expected: \$6,040

Difference: (\$798)

YTD received: \$65,764

YTD expected: \$69,460

Difference: (\$3,696)

Building Campaign

YTD received: \$12,396

Total received: \$413,476

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.

Staff hours for this week

Brenda: Friday

Doug: Friday

Steve: Friday

Brenda will be at a family reunion in Michigan Sunday afternoon through Wednesday this week.

Doug is in North Carolina until Wednesday night leading a "Pastoral Care for Climate" retreat at the Duke University Marine Lab.

Glo Showalter is on call for pastoral care while Doug and Brenda are gone.

Announcements can be sent to office@bentonchurch.org.

All information is due by 7pm, Thursday.



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