

Benton Mennonite Church

March 19 2023 *Fourth Sunday of Lent*

Created in the Image of God, Shaped by Jesus

Worship leader: Ruth Mischler **Speaker:** Mary Lehman Yoder
Song leader: Scott Kempf **Peace prayer:** Kate Friesen
Scripture reader: Ashley Johar
Childcare: Barb Meyer-Reed and Jane Vendrely

Called to the light

10:30am Worship

Silence and reflection

Welcome

Peace prayer

VT 196 *Come and Seek the Ways of Wisdom*

VT 718 *Gentle Shepherd, Come and Lead Us*

Confession

VT 715 *Longing for Light*

Offering

Scripture

Message

Song of response

Sharing

Announcements

VT 297 *You Are Salt for the Earth*

Reflection questions for sharing time:

1. It is said that an encounter with Jesus brings light into the soul. Could you tell us some of the ways that Jesus opened your eyes to help you find your future?
2. How do you now seek God's guidance in everyday situations?
3. How do you find sight and blindness, light and darkness exist at the same time within yourself?

Today

- ❖ We welcome Mary Lehman Yoder, pastor emerita at Assembly Mennonite and grandmother of Margaret and Oscar, as our guest preacher.
- ❖ 9:30am, First hour options for children and adults:
 - ❖ Wired Word, Room 113
 - ❖ Bible study, Room 105
 - ❖ Children meet in old foyer, led by Rich/Brenda Meyer.
- ❖ 10:30am, Worship
- ❖ 12noon, Fellowship meal, hosted by Gr-Mah

Next Sunday

- ❖ Brenda will preach on "Called to Life" connected with John 11:1-45; Romans 8:6-11; Ezekiel 37:1-14; Psalm 130.

Announcements

Here at Benton

Easter Egg Hunt. Children of all ages are invited to our Easter Egg Hunt. Donations of mini-size wrapped candy and other small items for the eggs are appreciated. A box for candy will be in the foyer. Come join the fun! Invite a friend! Questions? See Donna Risser.

Saturday April 8, 1 pm

Worship team for next Sunday

Worship leader: Jerrol Shaum **Song leader:** Lyn Buschert
Peace prayer: Jerrol Shaum **Children's focus:** Mary Ann Weber
Scripture reader: Donna Risser **Sound:** Lane Meyer-Reed
Childcare: Mary Ann Weber
Greeters: Jane and Doug Vendrely

Offering, March 12 2023

Received: \$5,462
Weekly expected: \$2,775
Difference: \$2,687

YTD received: \$30,871
YTD expected: \$30,525
Difference: \$346

Building Campaign

YTD received: \$3,637

Total received: \$489,796

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 March 12

Total: 56

Visitors: 4

Staff hours for this week

Brenda Meyer: Wednesday and Friday

Doug Kaufman: No office hours

Steve Johns: Friday

Doug is on vacation this week and next Friday to Sunday leads a sustainability retreat with Southside Fellowship at Camp Friedenswald.

*Announcements can be sent to office@bentonchurch.org.
All information is due by 7pm, Thursday.*




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



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