

Benton Mennonite Church

May 7 2023 *Fifth Sunday of Eastertide*

Worship leader: Ruth Mischler

Speaker: Doug Kaufman

Song leader: Scott Kempf

Peace prayer: Jerrol Shaum

Scripture reader: LaJane Yoder

Childcare: Lyn Buschert and Barb Meyer-Reed

God loves everyBody

10:25 Silence and reflection

10:30am Worship

Welcome/call to worship

Peace prayer

VT 23 *Come, Walk with Us*

Scripture Galatians 3:27-29; Ephesians 2:13-16

VT 5 *All People That on Earth Do Dwell*

Offering

VT 386 *One Is the Body*

Scripture Luke 5:17-26

Birthday recognition

Dedication/celebration of our new lift

Dismissal for children first grade and younger

Sermon *Hospitality's Design*

Song of response

Sharing

Announcements

VT 387 *We Are One in the Spirit*

Today

- ❖ We welcome as our guest preacher Kathy Dickson, a field associate with Anabaptist Disabilities Network and Director of Vocational Discernment and Community Engagement for Methodist Theological School in Ohio.

- ❖ 9am, First hour options for adults:
 - ❖ Yoga with Jennifer Youngberg. Gentle yoga, accessible to all. Bring a mat or large towel.
 - ❖ Anabaptist Bible study group, led by Anne Meyer Byler, Room 105.
- ❖ 9:30am, Children meet in old foyer, led by Rich Meyer.
- ❖ 9:30am, Youth baptism exploration class, led by Brenda Meyer, Room 114
- ❖ 10:30am, Worship.
- ❖ 12noon, Fellowship meal and Love Feast, hosted by R-Y. All are welcome to receive the bread and cup.

Next Sunday

- ❖ Instead of a sermon, we will hear from several people about their experience of disability in the congregation.

This week

- ❖ **Thursday, 7pm, at the church.** Are you interested in how we **tend our land here at Benton**? Doug will lead a circle with Judy DePew of New Vistas Landscaping as we plan parking, plantings, and how to be better stewards of this parcel of earth.

Upcoming events

- ❖ **Saturday May 20, 8:30am, Church Workday.**
- ❖ **Sunday May 21, Memorial Sunday** when we remember those who have died in the past year.
- ❖ **Sunday June 11, 1 pm, Congregational meeting** to approve a plan for landscaping and decide next steps for west property.

Announcements

Here at Benton

We are happy to announce that after several delays, **the new lift has been installed and approved**, giving access from the ground floor to the main level.

Attendance for Sunday April 30

Total: 67

Visitors: 4

Worship team for next Sunday

Worship leader: Anne Meyer Byler **Song leader:** Scott Kempf
Peace prayer: Beka Youngberg **Children's focus:** Donna Risser
Scripture reader: Gracie Gerig Meyer **Sound:** Bruce Nofziger
Childcare: Leah Roth Miller and Sabrina Williams
Greeters: Mary and Stan Grove

Offering, April 30 2023

Received: \$2,571
Weekly expected: \$2,775
Difference: (\$204)

YTD received: \$46,321
YTD expected: \$49,950
Difference: (\$3,629)

Building Campaign

YTD received: \$6,312
Total received: \$492,471

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 Meyer: Tuesday and Friday
Doug Kaufman: Tuesday and Friday
Steve Johns: Friday

*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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