

RIDGEVIEW MENNONITE CHURCH

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March 29, 2009

**Called by God to learn and share together
God's love with all creation**

SUNDAY SCHOOL ELECTIVES

9:00 AM

- International Lesson (overflow room)
- *Secure in God's House...* Mennonite Women's study, Etta Esch, Charlotte Lapp, Loretta Lapp teachers (1960 lounge)
- *Kingdom Living, an Old Testament Perspective*, taught by J. W. Sprunger, (rec room)

WORSHIP SERVICE

10:15 AM

We respond to God in trust, confessing our failure and submitting ourselves to God's way. God creates a new heart within, and renews in us a steadfast spirit.

Gathering

Prelude
Gathering Songs
Call to Worship
Congregational Singing

Praise & Giving

Sharing Life Together (sign registry)
Children's Message
Congregational Prayer
Sharing Our Tithes & Offerings

Proclaiming

Scripture Reading: Psalm 51:1-12; Hebrews 5:7-9
Message: "Failing Forward" Pastor Ray Yoder

Sending

Benediction

Jessica Shirk, *worship leader*; Kori Wenger, Kyle Siegrist, Joanne Dietzel, *musicians*; Elaine Shirk, *children's message*; Ron Lapp, *sound*; Bob Heine, *projector*

THIS WEEK

Wed 9:15 a.m. Time Out—*Protecting Our Earth...* Joy Hunter will challenge us with ideas of how to take care of God's gift to us...the earth

Thu 7:00 p.m. Congregational meeting to hear report from survey team

Sat 7:00 a.m. Men's breakfast @ Bird-in-Hand

COMING EVENTS

Apr 5 Palm Sunday—Communion

Apr 10 7 p.m. Good Friday Service

Apr 12 Easter Sunrise service 8:00 a.m. @ Intercourse Park; 9:00 a.m. Breakfast served in the 1990 Hall (NO Sunday school); 10:15 Worship

Apr 18 Sat ACC Assembly at Hope Community Church. Program are on the lit rack

Apr 22 Congregational meeting to discuss assessment recommendations

May 3 Fellowship meal—Pig Roast

May 16 7 a.m.–2 p.m. Ridgeview Yard Sale in the parking lot

ANNOUNCEMENTS

TODAY is the final day to contribute to the congregational education fund established to support students/families who attend our church schools.

JEFF & CINDY are in Harrisonburg, VA this weekend. It is the kickoff weekend of Ted Swartz's new company, Ted and Company. Jeff & Cindy will be there in a supportive role on Friday helping out where needed. Saturday evening is the first time Tattered & Worn will be on Ted's home turf. It also marks a return for the two of them being together (Ted and Jeff) on the stage where Jacob's Ladder was to be performed May of 2007, but was cancelled due to the death of Lee Eshleman.

THERE WILL BE one (1) rehearsal for an Easter Choir/Ensemble Wednesday, April 8, 6:00 p.m. in the sanctuary.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT... Rich & Erica (High) Hollenbaugh announce the birth of their daughter, Kaylee Ann born March 23. Kaylee weighed 8 lbs. 14 ozs. and was 20 ¼” long.

INGATHERING FOR MONTH OF MARCH... support Penny Power which raises money for MCC projects of peace, relief and development around the world. Drop your spare change in the “jug” in the lobby.

PELLMAN'S DESSERT ALERT! If you are able to pick up your ordered desserts at the church on Friday, April 3 between 5-6pm that would really help us out with storage. Otherwise, please plan on picking up your Pellman's treat on Sunday, April 5. If you have any questions, talk to Carol.

CHATTER, CHOW, AND CHEERFUL SERVICE, April 18, 9 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., at the MCC Material resource Center, for women from Atlantic Coast & Lancaster Mennonite Conferences. Plan to bring a pint of soup to “add to the pot”—either vegetable beef or chicken/corn/noodle. The rest of the meal and paper supplies will be provided, but you are encouraged to “go green” and bring your own mug, bowl and utensils. There will be a time of working together on MCC projects.

EARTH DAY FESTIVITIES...Community Clean Sweep, April 18 at Trinity Lutheran in New Holland. Read about the day’s events posted on the bulletin board.

YOU ARE INVITED to help adorn the sanctuary on Easter Sunday by bringing Easter flowers (tulips, daffodils, hyacinths, etc.) Following the service you can take them home. Sign up in the lobby if you will be bringing flowers. Flowers should arrive by 9 a.m. in the sanctuary on Easter morning.

SENIOR HIGH YOUTH

Apr 1, Wed Supper @ DiSilvio’s..meet at 6:20 p.m. at church
Apr 8, Wed Study with Ryan
Apr 15, Wed Shopping @ Goodwill...meet at 6:45 p.m.

REPORT for March 22

Offering \$10,438.65 Education Fund \$750
Church Attendance 175 Sunday school 122

PRAYER CORNER

- God’s guidance as we experience economic crisis
- Discernment and wisdom that the congregational self-study will help us be God’s people in Gordonville
- Quiz team and coaches in Archbold, Ohio, this weekend for the invitational tournament
- George Esch recovering from a fractured shoulder
- Our trust in God will deepen during this Lent season

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