

## RIDGEVIEW MENNONITE CHURCH

3723 Ridge Road, Gordonville PA 17529 717 768-3143

May 18, 2008

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

**TEACHER APPRECIATION BREAKFAST** 8:00-9:00 AM  
**SUNDAY SCHOOL** 9:00 AM

**WORSHIP SERVICE** 10:15 AM

### Gathering

Prelude  
Songs of Gathering  
Call to Worship  
Congregational Singing  
Sharing Life Together (sign & pass the registry)  
Moment in Mission – Angela Dietzel

### Praise & Prayer

Congregational Prayer  
Sharing Our Tithes & Offerings

### Proclaiming

Children's Message  
Scripture: Matthew 28:16-20; Mark 1:9-15; 2 Corinthians 13:11-13  
Message "This We Believe" Pastor John

### Response

Confessional Declaration  
Baptism  
Congregational Affirmation  
*Charles & Ann we welcome you and we rejoice with you in this holy moment. With God as our witness, we pledge to be brothers and sisters with you in Christ Jesus.*

Hymn

### Sending/Benediction

Pat Yoder, *worship leaders*; Pastor Nelson, Eric Yoder, Elton Horst, Nathan Horst, *musicians*; Evie Hershey, *children's message*; Michael Bentivogli, *sound tech*

## THIS WEEK

**Mon 9:00 pm** Softball game @ Paradise Park  
**6:00 pm** Graduation Dinner for high school and college graduates, 1990 Hall  
**Mon-Wed** Photos taken for church directory  
**Tue 7:30 am** Prayer time  
**9:00 am** Sewing Circle  
**7:00 pm** Search Committee  
**Wed 7-8:00 pm** VBS meeting in the 1960 lounge

## COMING EVENTS

**May 25 Sun** "What Are People Saying About You?" – Jeff Raught  
**June 22** Community Worship Service @ Intercourse Park  
**June 23-26** Vacation Bible School

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**MISSION COMMISSION**...Beginning June 8 and continuing every 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month thereafter, there will be a collection center for aluminum cans, old blankets and old towels. The cans will benefit Habitat for Humanity, the blankets and towels the Humane League.

**SUMMER YOUNG ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL** ...(balcony overlooking the gym) Gathering place for young adults, college, post high school students. Invite your friends...casual dress is recommended.

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL MEETING for all staff**, Wednesday, May 21, 7-8:00 pm in the 1960 lounge. This meeting will explain the Child Protection and how it affects your role at Bible school.

**AN AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATOR (AED)** will be affixed to the wall, to the right of the doors entering the sanctuary. The AED was given by Lancaster General Hospital, for which we are grateful. The AED will be on display today after worship. Stop by to become more familiar with this lifesaving device.

**MAY/JUNE INGATHERING**...blankets for Kentucky.

**WE EXTEND OUR CONDOLENCES** to Minnie Stoltzfus, Etta & Earl Esch, Sara Bushong and families on the passing of Mark.

**PENGUINS, PENGUINS, PENGUINS!** Celebrate special events by filling your friend's or family's lawn with these colorful ornaments decorated by your senior high youth. Ten to 25 penguins are available @ \$2/penguin. Order forms are under mailboxes and may be placed in Joy Lapp's or Carol Wenger's mailbox.

**SEARCH COMMITTEE MEMBERS & PRAYER PARTNERS**

Charlotte Lapp – Louise Miller

Ryan Horst – Galen Dise

Tynea Horst – Darlene Lapp

Charles Palmer – Frances DiSilvio

Tom Steffy – Harry Sauder

Sarah Terlizzi – Loretta Lapp

**SENIOR HIGH YOUTH**

**May 21** Devotional and penguins...7-8:30 pm

**May 28** "Walking in Another's Shoes"

**REPORT for May 11, 2008**

Offering \$4527.30

Church Attendance 202    Sunday school 130

**Confession of Faith**

We believe in God the Creator of all,  
who has called forth a people of faith.  
We believe in Jesus Christ, the Word become flesh,  
crucified and resurrected for us.  
He is our Savior from evil and sin,  
our peace and the exalted Lord of the church.  
And we believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the source of redemption and life.

We who respond to Christ in faith are his church,  
the community called to proclaim  
and to be a sign of the kingdom of God,  
the new people sustained by Scripture and Spirit.  
Thus we continue the mission of Christ,  
making disciples, forgiving, restoring,  
baptizing believers, sharing the Lord's Supper,  
using our gifts in unity and love.

We commit ourselves to follow Jesus Christ,  
in his path through suffering to life.  
By grace we are being changed into the image of God,  
in which God created women and men.  
As faithful disciples, we hear Christ's call  
to life in the Spirit in relation with God,  
to chastity, stewardship, love for the enemy,  
to the practice of justice and peace.

We joyfully worship the three-in-one God,  
as a holy nation, the people of God,  
giving allegiance to Christ as our Lord,  
living now as if in the age to come.  
We place our hope in God's everlasting reign,  
in victory over evil, the resurrection of the dead,  
in Christ's coming again in judgment and glory.  
To God be all glory! Amen

## PRAYER CORNER

- The Mark Stoltzfus family as they grieve the passing of Mark
- Search Committee and search process for minister of youth
- Joanne Dietzel recovering from surgery
- Paul Hershey recovering from shoulder surgery
- God's blessing on the work of Atlantic Coast Conference
- Senior high youth and leaders as they prepare for SWAP
- Community worship service June 22
- God will enable us to share the reason for our hope
- God will enable us to share our faith with our children
- Older persons experiencing declining health
- Partner congregations in Argentina
- New World School students in Haiti

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