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Welcome to worship at Alexanderwohl! What does it mean to find mental, emotional, and spiritual wholeness? In a time when so many struggle with mental health, we look for wisdom, consolation, and spiritual guidance as we listen for God's voice.

GATHERING TO WORSHIP

Gathering Come, Christians, Join to Sing ~Kerr [VT 28] Marcia Brubaker

Come, Ye Disconsolate ~Wood [VT 643]

All Creatures of our God and King ~Manz [VT 81]

Welcome Pastor Caleb Yoder

Opportunities for Celebration and Service

Call to Worship and Invocation+ (Psalm 130:1-2, 5-6 CEB)

Leader: I cry out to you from the depths, Lord

People: My Lord, listen to my voice!

Leader: Let your ears pay close attention to my request for mercy!

People: I hope, Lord

Leader: My whole being hopes, and I wait for God's promise.

People: My whole being waits for my Lord—

Leader: More than the night watch waits for morning;

All: Yes, more than the night watch waits for morning!

*Gathering Songs Come, Now Is the Time to Worship VT 29 | SWJ 75

God Is Here Among Us VT 62

Children's Story Renae Peters

Worship Music Timothy and Jacob Schrag

Morning Prayer Pastor Lois Harder

Worship with Our Tithes and Offerings First Fruits Giving

Offertory God Is Here Among Us ~Burkhardt Marcia Brubaker *Prayer of Dedication Pastor Lois

HEARING GOD'S WORD

Scripture Reading 1 Kings 19:1-18 Beth Yoder

Message "Provision for the journey" Pastor Caleb

Song of Response

There Is a Balm in Gilead

VT 647

Responding to the Gospel (Open sharing)

SENT AS GOD'S PEOPLE

*Song of Sending Lord, You Sometimes Speak VT 537

*Benediction Pastor Caleb

*Postlude Marcia Brubaker

*All who are able are invited to stand.

+ The peace lamp serves as a visual reminder for us that we follow Jesus the Prince of Peace and believe in uncertain times that God's shalom will prevail.

Song Leader: Kyle Unruh

Greeters: North - DJ and Marilyn Unruh Flaming

South – Anita Boese

Visual Arts: Shari Wiens

Nursery Staff: Aileen Esau, Cambry Duerksen, Nicole Hein

Worship Technology: Myron Goertzen, Steve Goertzen, Delton Voth, Steve

Unruh

July 10 Attendance: 107 In person, 10 Zoom households

Questions for Reflection – 1 Kings 19:1-18

- Why is there so much stigma around mental health? In what ways does the Bible speak to mental health?
- How is mental/emotional health related (or not) to spiritual wholeness? 2.
- 3. How have you found provision and God's presence in the periods of struggle in your life?

Next Sunday, we will continue our series on Mental, Emotional, and Spiritual wholeness, focusing particularly on experiencing loss. Pastor Caleb will preach from Psalm 42.

Praying for our Congregation and Beyond

- We pray for Myra Peters and Ellarose Gaeddert who will be attending Camp Mennoscah July 17-23; for Lizzie Schmucker who will be counseling and Darla Banman as she works in the kitchen at Camp Mennoscah this week.
- We give thanks for the initial report of a successful heart transplant for Diana Schunn.
- We pray for all those in our congregation who are in the role of caregivers for loved ones.
- * We pray for all those struggling with anxiety, depression, or other mental health concerns, especially those struggling in silence.

We pray for healing and strength for the residents and staff of Bethesda Home where Covid has once again created a lot of stress.

THIS WEEK...

Monday, July 18

5:30 pm Board of Christian Education

Tuesday, July 19

9:30 am Staff Meeting

4:30 pm Peace Committee

Sunday, July 24

9:30 am Sunday School

10:30 am Worship Service

COMING EVENTS - MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Jul 29-31	WDC Assembly, Camp Copass, Denton, TX
Aug 1	Goessel Blood Drive, 1:00 – 6:00 pm
Aug 3-5	Serve at New Hope Shelter
Aug 19	Senior Coffee at 10:00 am – Chris Allen, Outreach Coordinator for Health Ministries will join us to discuss their services right here in Goessel!
Aug 24	Health Ministries Mobile Unit in Goessel, 1:30 – 4:30 pm
Sept 5	Church Offices Closed for Labor Day
Sept 11	Outdoor Concert sponsored by Board of Mission and Service on the church yard. Music by Kevin Gaeddert, Eric Schrag, and The Flannelbacks.
Sept 16	Senior Coffee – Bring your Collections 2.0. We had such a good time learning about each other's collections we're going to do it again!
Sept 24-25	AMC Church Retreat at Camp Mennoscah

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Our next opportunity to volunteer at New Hope Shelter is August 3-5.

You can sign up in the south lobby for evening shifts. If you've never served at the shelter and want to learn more about it, the next Volunteer Training will be Thursday, July 21 @ 7 pm. If you have questions, call or email Janice Voth or any of the others that have served during the evening shift. They include David and Aileen Esau, Anthony Esau, Rosi Reimer, Kris Schmucker, Arlie Schroeder, or Myron Schmidt.

Stop by and check out a book on loan from the Western District Resource Library. AMC library is participating in their "Box of Books" program; these books are available for check out and will also give you credit towards the AMC Summer Reading Program. Books need to be returned to the AMC library by August 28.

Do you have suggested titles and/or subjects that you would like to see added to the shelves in the library? Leave your suggestions in the "Library Suggestion Box" found in both lobbies and in the library.

Country Threshing Days is the Goessel community's celebration! Would you please help the Mennonite Heritage & Agricultural Museum host and feed our family, friends, and guests coming for the event? Bakers, servers, and cashiers are needed for the Low German meal at the Goessel Elementary School and food service in the Preparatory School on the museum grounds on Saturday, August 6. Please see the volunteer sheet in your mailbox and respond by July 24. For further questions, contact Aileen Esau (367-2358 or daesau@gmail.com).

Blood Drive: In your busy summer make time to donate blood on <u>August 1</u>, between 1:00-6:00 pm at the Goessel Church. Make a single unit donation or a Power Red donation to help meet the needs. The need continues! Sign up for your appointment time online at <u>redcrossblood.org</u>. For more information contact Nancy Stucky 620-747-0081 or Rosi Reimer 620-367-2418. Thanks for helping save someone's life!

Garden Produce exchange is in the south lobby. Check it out.

Help tie a comforter for MCC set up on the west side of the chapel. You may come any time the south office door is open (Monday through Friday, 8:30 am – 4:30 pm) or make arrangements for an evening work time. Supplies are there for you but you might want to bring a scissors.

Because No One Should Go Hungry, there is the Tabor Food Pantry. If you find yourself facing financial difficulties when unforeseen circumstances arise, remember that the Tabor Food Pantry is here to provide help. Please call Tabor Mennonite Church (367-2318) to set up an appointment to come and receive food. If no answer, please leave a message with your name and phone number and your call will be returned as soon as possible.

Sunday School – 9:30 a.m.
Worship Service – 10:30 a.m.
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