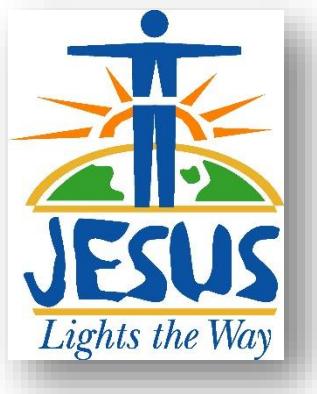


# Alexanderwohl Mennonite Church

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## Welcome to Alexanderwohl!

Our story this morning is from John 9 - the story of Jesus healing the man born blind. The age-old question is asked, "Rabbi, who sinned so that he was born blind, this man or his parents?"

## GATHERING TO WORSHIP

### Gathering Music

Marcia Brubaker

*The King of Love My Shepherd Is* ~Behnke

*Gott ist die Liebe (For God So Loved Us)* ~Behnke

*Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee* ~Hobby

### Welcome

Justine Unruh

### Opportunities for Celebration and Service

### Call to Worship / Opening Prayer +

(adapted) VT 852

Leader: In the beginning when it was very quiet, the Word was with God,

**People: and the Word was God.**

Leader: In the beginning when it was very dark, God said,  
"Let there be light,"

**People: and there was light.**

Leader: When the time was right, God sent the Son;

**All: Christ came among us and was one of us. He was the Word,  
the Light and the Life.**

### \*Gathering Hymns

*In the Beginning* (omit vs. 3)

VT 270

*Light Dawns on a Weary World*

VT 205

### Children's Story

Karl Brubaker

### Morning Prayer

Pastor Chris Weaver

### Worship with Our Tithes and Offerings

First Fruits Giving

**Offertory** *Jesus Loves Me* ~Bober

Marcia Brubaker

**\*Prayer of Dedication**

Pastor Chris

### Worship Music

*The Gift of Love* ~Hal H. Hopson

Chancel Choir

## HEARING GOD'S WORD

New Testament Reading	John 9:1-41 CEB	Megan Duerksen
Song of Response	John 9 ~Patty Shelly	Pastor Lois and Eric Schrag
Message	<i>Who are you calling blind?</i>	Pastor Lois Harder

## SENT AS GOD'S PEOPLE

* <b>Sending Song</b>	<i>Use Us, God</i>	VT 811
* <b>Benediction</b>		Pastor Lois
* <b>Postlude</b>	<i>Be Thou My Vision</i> ~Bober	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 that God's shalom will prevail.

**Greeters:** North – Brian and Nancy Stucky  
South – Arlie and Kay Schroeder

**Organ / Piano:** Marcia Brubaker

**Song Leader and Chancel Choir Director:** Renae Peters

**Visual Arts:** Tina Schrag

**Nursery Staff:** Ann Hiebert and Travis Duerksen  
(nursery care available for children age 3 and under)

**Worship Technology:** Steve Unruh, Caiden Duerksen, Delton Voth

**February 8 Attendance:** Sunday School – 103; Worship -- 148 in person;  
13 Zoom Households

**February 8 Offering:** Sunday School -- \$41.05; First Fruits -- \$6,379.12

**Next Sunday – Youth Sunday! Our youth will lead us in worship as we focus on the story of Jesus' raising of Lazarus. How does Jesus raise us to new life?** Greeters are Carol and Donley Duerksen and Steve Goertzen and Rosi Reimer.

## Praying for Our Congregation and Beyond

- ❖ Congratulations to Ashley and James Nuss on the birth of their daughter Kaycie May Nuss on Monday, February 9. Kaycie joins siblings Charlie and Gracie. Grandparents are Lynell and Vickie Hiebert.
- ❖ We're grateful for our church camps and the opportunities they offer for fellowship and spiritual growth and nurture. Bless all who are at Snow Camp this weekend at RMMC – particularly Myra Peters and Eli Gaeddert who've gone to camp with the Tabor Youth group.
- ❖ Pray for healing for Duane Duerksen recovering at home from surgery.
- ❖ We prayerfully uphold Tammy and Dwight Flaming and the Mennonite Disaster Service group who are in Lahaina, Maui working on housing projects there throughout this week.
- ❖ Continue to remember Merlin Hiebert as he receives care at Ascension Via Christi Rehab Hospital in Wichita.

- ❖ We praise God for the easing of tension in Minneapolis with the nonviolent resistance having contributed to reduced immigration enforcement.

## THIS WEEK

### Sunday, February 15

9:30 am – Sunday School  
10:30 am – Worship  
3:00 pm – Blind Date with a Book, Fellowship Hall

### Monday, February 16

5:30-7:30 pm – Youth Fundraiser – Sausage & Pancake Supper

### Tuesday, February 17

9:30 am – Staff Meeting  
5:00 pm – Peace Committee

### Wednesday, February 18

5:45 pm – Midweek Fellowship Meal  
6:45-7:15 – Ash Wednesday Service in the Sanctuary  
Midweek Activities

### Friday, February 20

10:00 am – Senior Coffee with Hannah Reynolds, Limestone Floral  
3:45-5:30 pm – Assist with food distribution at New Life Church &  
Resource Center in Wichita

### Sunday, February 22

9:30 am – Sunday School  
10:30 am – Worship – Youth Sunday

## COMING EVENTS

Feb 22      Youth Sunday  
Mar 1      Brief Congregational Meeting between SS and Worship

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**MONDAY, February 16 -- Fat Tuesday Pancake & Sausage supper from 5:30-7:30 p.m. in the fellowship hall!** Come out to support the high school youth group at the annual pancake and sausage supper! Suggested donation is \$8 per plate for pancakes, German sausage, rosy applesauce, orange juice and coffee. This fundraiser will help support the youth as they serve with MDS on their service trip this summer. Join us and let the youth cook for you!

**Library, Kitchen, and Visual Arts Sale at the Youth Pancake Supper on February 16.** Items are “free” for the taking with a donation. The library has discarded outdated fiction books to make more room for new books. In the kitchen, unused items have been removed to allow for rearranged storage. Donations go towards new library books and to the Daughters of Grace. Also appearing at the sale will be surplus visual arts décor items. They are for the taking with a donation to MCC. Items will be available in the fellowship hall through Sunday, February 22.

**Hannah Reynolds, owner of Limestone Floral** in Newton will be our presenter for **Sr. Coffee on Friday, February 20 at 10:00 a.m.** She'll bring flowers and offer a demonstration on flower arranging and design. Her presentation will also include some photos on the big screens. Join us for an engaging session about flower arranging and local business ownership!

**The Board of Mission and Service is again assisting New Life Church and Resource Center in Wichita with their food distribution on Friday, February 20 from 3:45 to 5:30.** New Life receives a semi truck load of produce from area stores to distribute to families in need. We provide 7-8 volunteers to assist with this task. Sign up on the bulletin board in the south lobby. Carpooling is available.

**Have you returned the membership letter you received at the end of December from the Board of Deacons?** If not, please do so as soon as possible. There are extra copies in each lobby and boxes to put your responses in. Thank you!

**As a follow up to our Annual Congregational Meeting Feb. 1, the Church Council has decided to have a brief congregational meeting between Sunday School and the worship service on Sunday, March 1.** This meeting will be for the second reading and vote on the wording change to the Constitution regarding the required number of persons on the Boards. Please plan to attend. ~John Fast and Linda Peters, Co Chairs

**Church Office - Closed on Monday**

**Pastor Chris: Mon-Thurs 8:00 a.m - 4:00 p.m.**

**Pastor Lois: Mon 1-4, Tues & Fri 9-5, Wed 1-8, Thurs 12-5**