

About the Cover: This linocut print was created by Becky H. as a reflection on our summer worship theme, *Becoming the Body*. Inspired by the visuals in the new *Anabaptist Community Bible*, Becky decided to try her hand at this bold, tactile art form—carving an image that weaves together the Tree of Life and a human figure. In this piece, the trunk becomes a figure, grounded and reaching, as branches stretch outward in community. Like the worship series itself, this image is about growth, connection, and the Spirit alive in all our becoming.

Attendance: June 15 — 63

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Becoming the Body

Community, Calling, and the Spirit at Work

Love Has No Borders

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1 Corinthians 13:7-8a

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Focus: God's love knows no boundaries: national, ethnic, political, or personal. It is resilient, limitless, and always reaches out.

Gathering and Centering

Song *Come, Let Us All Unite to Sing* VT 7

Welcome & Announcements Elaine H.

Call to Worship

Singing Together

The Love of God VT 162

In Christ There Is No East or West VT 390

Scripture 1 Corinthians 13:7-8a

Invocation Prayer

Offering Prayer & Collecting Coins for MCC

Offertory Lucas Harnish

Sermon *Love Has No Borders* Video
Joanne Gallardo, IMMC Co-Minister

Song *There Is More Love Somewhere* VT 804

Visual Community Response — Love Has No Borders

As part of our worship this morning, we invite you to reflect on where you've seen love cross a boundary — whether cultural, personal, generational, or spiritual. Use the heart-shaped paper in your bulletin to draw or write your response.

After the service, please hang your heart on the tree in the narthex as a sign of the ways God's love is still growing among us.

Sharing Joys & Concerns

Congregational Prayer

Sending Song *Sizohamba naye* VT 815

Blessing

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Next Sunday, June 29

9:00 AM Sunday school hour

10:15 AM Worship: ***Rooted and Grounded in Love***

Scripture: Ephesians 4:1-16

Worship Leader: Ronda S.K.

Song Leader: Todd H.

Speaker: Izaete N.

Children's Church: Elaine H., Kathy N.Y., & Jenny G.

Nursery: Robert M. , Belen R., & Kristina Be-Mo

Rooted and Grounded in Love

Next Sunday, we continue our summer worship series *Becoming the Body: Community, Calling, and the Spirit at Work* with a theme that invites us to reflect on what it means to grow into love together. Drawing from **Ephesians 4:1-16**, we'll explore how spiritual maturity isn't about having all the answers, but about growing in humility, truth-telling, and connection. Izaete will bring the message as we consider: *How do we grow into love as a community? What does maturity look like among us—not just as individuals, but as a body still becoming?*

Upcoming Events

6/29 Becky's last Sunday at East Goshen

7/8 MennoCon25, Greensboro, N.C., through 7/12

7/20 Living the Legacy: Anabaptism at 500 Series

8/10 Church Picnic, at Pringle Park (Sun., 10 AM)

Back to School Sunday

Who's Going to MennoCon 25?

Alan and Todd will accompany our youth to the *Follow Jesus 25* Youth Convention in Greensboro, NC, July 8–12. Deena, her sister, and Becky will attend the adult conference, with Deena and Becky participating in the Women in Leadership Summit on July 8 and serving as delegates on July 11.

Becoming the Body – Summer Worship Series

This summer, we're entering a new worship series called **Becoming the Body**. Inspired by Paul's letters to the early church, we'll reflect on what it means to grow into Christ's body—a living, breathing, Spirit-filled community, grounded in love and shaped by justice. Each week, we'll explore different ways the body of Christ is formed: through diversity of gifts, through belonging and compassion, through bearing good fruit, and through healing relationships with one another and the world. Together, we are becoming—tended by God, rooted in grace, and reaching toward a more faithful future.

June 29 – Rooted and Grounded in Love

Ephesians 4:1-16

July 6 – Room for Every Gift

Romans 12:1-8

July 13 – The Fruit We Bear

Galatians 5:13-26

Living the Legacy: Anabaptism at 500

You are invited to experience a four-week series at North Goshen this summer called *Living the Legacy: Anabaptism at 500*. From July 20 through August 10, we'll reflect on the core values that have shaped Anabaptist faith for the past five centuries — community, discipleship, peace, and hope — and ask what it means to live that legacy here and now. As part of this series, we're planning **a churchwide visit to MennoHof in Shipshewana** — a unique opportunity for those newer to Mennonite history (and longtime members, too!) to explore the peace tradition in an engaging, hands-on way. Watch for more information!

9:00 AM Sunday School Classes

Pathfinders

- Intergenerational Bible study using the Mennonite "Builder" curriculum
- Location: Curtained classroom next to kitchen in fellowship hall
- All are welcome

Contemporary Issues and Christian Faith

- Explores current events through a Christian lens using "The Wired Word"
- Location: South corner of fellowship hall
- All ages welcome

Clase de los Amigos (Latino Bible Study)

- Bible study in Spanish
- Location: Large classroom at bottom of basement stairs
- Todos son bienvenidos

Youth Class (Grades 6-12)

- Location: Basement classroom (follow posted signs)
- All youth are welcome to attend!

Today's Volunteers

Children's Church: Michael Y. & Bonnie C.

Nursery: Hilda L., Kerry C., & Jenny G.

Worship Leader: Elaine H.

Song Leaders: Todd H. & Lucas H.

Speaker: Joanne Gallardo, Co-Minister of IMMC

Scripture Readers: Elaine H.

Tech Team: Jose J., Belen R. & Rudy G.

Greeter: Lola J.

Translator: Deena B.

Ways Children Worship With Us

Children's Church (ages 3 through Grade 4)

- Takes place during second half of worship service
- Children are dismissed after the offering
- Location: Large classroom at bottom of basement stairs
- All children are welcome, especially guests and visitors!

Nursery (infants through age 3)

- Childcare is available in the basement (follow the signs) during the worship service. All are welcome.
- The nursery is staffed by two adults and one youth.

Thank You for Engaging in the Conversation Café

Thank you to all who participated in last Sunday's Conversation Café as we continued the important and tender work of discerning how our congregation responds to individuals on the Sex Offender Registry within the framework of our Safe Church policy. Your thoughtful presence, honest questions, and willingness to listen deeply to one another reflect the best of who we are as a community rooted in Christ's love and committed to both compassion and safety.

Rather than arriving at a decision, it was clear that we need more time, conversation, and prayerful discernment before moving forward. The Coordinating Council will reflect on what we heard and talk about next steps for continued dialogue at our July meeting.

This is not easy work, but it is faithful work. Thank you for engaging it with integrity and care.

Anniversaries & Birthdays This Week

6/22 Terri Yeater
6/23 Erika Byler & Josh Helmuth