

About the Cover: Our bulletin cover was sketched by **Debanhi L.**, who brings a beautiful gift for drawing people with warmth, detail, and care.

She created this image of **Jesus surrounded by children** to accompany our *Sermon on the Mount* series, where we are exploring what it means to live as a community shaped by Jesus' radical blessings. Just as Jesus begins his sermon by naming the poor, the grieving, the peacemakers, and the overlooked as blessed, this image reminds us that children—and all who are vulnerable, tender, and full of trust—are central to the kingdom of God.

Many thanks for Debanhi's creative contribution to our worship and her reminder that art, like the gospel, belongs to all of us.

Attendance: May 18 — 63

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**A New Way of Being: The Sermon on the Mount
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Matthew 6:19–21, 6:25–34

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Gathering and Centering

Song *God Is Here among Us* VT 62

Welcome & Announcements Sue L.S.

Call to Worship

Leader: Come, all who are weary of striving, all who carry the weight of worry.

People: Venimos, anhelando confiar en la abundancia de Dios.

Leader: Vengan, quienes han guardado tesoros y se preguntan si es suficiente.

People: We come, ready to let go and seek first the kingdom.

Leader: Come, let us worship the One who calls us to a life of trust, generosity, and justice.

Singing Together

God Whose Giving VT 745

Great Is Thy Faithfulness VT 419

Offering Prayer

Offering Song

Instrumental Music by Lucas H.

Scripture Reading Matthew 6:19–21, 6:25–34

Ruth Ann W. @ Alan L.

Reflections and Stories Lisa Koop

Song of Response

Open My Eyes VT 732

Sharing Joys & Concerns

Congregational Prayer

Sending Song *Seek Ye First* VT 417

Blessing

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: Bonnie C., Joan U. & Kristina Be-Mo

Nursery: Belen R., Jeff U & Jenny G.

Worship Leader: Sue L.S. Translator: Erin Be-Mo

Speaker: Lisa Koop

National Director of Legal Services at NIJC

Song Leaders: Todd H.

Scripture Readers:

Tech Team: Tim N., Greg S., & Jose J.

Greeter: Lola J.

Cover Art: Debhani L.

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.
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Next Sunday, June 1

9:00 AM Sunday school

10:15 AM Worship: *Living the Kingdom Way*

The Sermon the Mount Series—Week 6

Scripture: Matthew 7:6-29

Worship Leader: Mary T. Song Leader: Todd H.

Speaker: Becky H.

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

Nursery: Tony U., Hilda L. & Kristina Be-Mo

Sunday, June 1

On June 1, we conclude our Sermon on the Mount series with a service themed "Living the Kingdom Way." Centered on Matthew 7:6–29, we'll reflect on Jesus' call to not only hear his words, but to embody them in daily life. With the image of building on solid rock, Jesus invites us into a life rooted in mercy, justice, and resilient faith. The service will include an embodied ritual of commitment and a final communal proclamation of Jesus' teachings. Together, we ask: Will we simply listen, or will we live differently?

Upcoming Events

5/27	9:00 AM Tue	Women's Bible Study at Greencroft
6/1	8:45 AM Sun	Koinonia Conversation Café
6/7	8 AM-1 PM Sat	All-Church Work Day
6/8	9:15 AM Sun	Joint Pentecost Worship Service
6/13-14		IMMC Summer Fest, Waterford Mennonite
6/15	9:00 AM Sun	Conversation Café
7/8-12		MennoCon25, Greensboro, N.C.

Conversation Café – June 1 & 15 at 9:00 AM

Join us in the fellowship hall at 9:00 AM for two important Conversation Café gatherings. We'll explore how North Goshen might faithfully respond to the possibility of welcoming individuals who are registered sex offenders. These guided discussions will be open, respectful, and grounded in Christ's love. All are invited to listen, learn, and share as we discern together.

Koinonia Kafé – June 1

Come a little early next Sunday to enjoy breakfast and fellowship at **Koinonia Kafé** next Sunday at **8:45 AM** in the fellowship hall! We'll share food and conversation around tables as part of a special combined gathering with the Conversation Café. All are welcome to come early, grab a plate, and join in meaningful community time.

All-Church Work Day – June 7

Help us give the church a little love! Join us for a **Church Work Day** on **Sat., June 7, anytime between 8:00 AM and 1:00 PM**. There will be tasks for all ages and skill levels—window washing, furniture polishing, wall wiping, book organizing, cabinet dusting, lightbulb replacing, weed pulling, and paint touch-ups. We'll also be working alongside friends from **New Life Church** as we care for our shared space together. Come for an hour or stay the whole morning—every bit helps!

Pentecost Sunday, June 8

North Goshen will participate in a joint Pentecost Worship service hosted by Goshen-wide MCUSA congregations. We will gather at the Goshen College Campus on the KMY Lawn (the lawn between the Student Dorms and the Rec-Fitness Center).

Pre-worship singing will begin at 9:15am with the Worship Service beginning at 9:30 am. All are welcome as we celebrate the gift of the Holy Spirit in this English/Spanish bilingual service! Please bring lawn chairs. If you don't have chairs, please talk to Becky so that others can bring extra!

Calling All Artists!

Do you enjoy drawing, painting, photography, quilting, collage, digital art, or other creative work? We're looking for original artwork from our congregation to feature on bulletin covers during our summer worship series.

Here's what's coming up:

- **June 15 – July 13: Becoming the Body**
What does it mean to be the Body of Christ—diverse, interconnected, Spirit-filled, and built up in love? .
- **July 20 – Aug. 10: Living the Legacy: Anabaptism at 500**
Celebrating 500 years of Anabaptist witness rooted in community, discipleship, peace, and hope.
- **Aug. 17 – Sep. 7: Wayfinding:
Discerning God's Path Together**
Listening for God's guidance and stepping forward in faith as a community.

Interested? Talk to Belen or Becky—we'd love to include your work!.

Anniversaries & Birthdays This Week

5/25 Terry & Velma Peck