

**North Goshen Mennonite Church**

April 2, 2017  
Fifth Sunday of Lent

***Christ is before all things, and in him all things hold together.***  
**Colossians 1:17**

**Gathering as God's people**  
**Reuniendonos como pueblo de Dios**

*Soon and very soon*  
Welcome & Community Life Announcements  
Call to Worship

Hymnal: A Worship Book 611  
Bob Schloneger

**Praising God's name**  
**Alabando el nombre de Dios**

*Open the eyes of my heart, Lord/Abre los ojos, de mi alma*  
*Lord, I need you*

**Sharing in God's fellowship**  
**Compartiendo en compañerismo cristiano**

Offering Ourselves & Our Gifts  
Children Bring MCC & Birthday Offerings  
*Precious Lord*  
Children ages 4 through grade 2 are dismissed to Children's Church  
Confession and Words of Assurance  
Sharing & Congregational Prayer

Hymnal 575

**Hearing God's word**  
**Escuchando la palabra de Dios**

John 11: 20-27; 38-44  
"Restore Us, O God! We Believe."

Maria Juarez & Enid Schloneger  
Izaete Nafziger

**Sending to serve**  
**Enviando a servir**

*May the Lord, mighty God*  
Benediction

Hymnal 435

*If you have a prayer concern or need, you are encouraged to contact Mark Schloneger, Izaete Nafziger or one of the Elders, either after worship today or during the week.  
Available elders are Bob Steury, Robert Morillo & Gail Yoder.*

The Peace Lamp is lit each week as a reminder to pray for peace in our community and world.

## **Our Prayers**

**Recovering:** Elroy Troyer, Margaret Metzler & Alberta Troyer

**Continuing prayers for those with illnesses:** Judy Yoder,  
Ruth Leatherman

**Those unable to attend services:** Thelma Harley & Irma Troyer

**Continuing prayers for those who mourn:** Cheryl & Greg Beachey & family; Lloyd Borntrager,  
Enrique Ortiz, Francisco Berdejo, Florence Hower, Alma Gingerich; Donna Smucker

**Those taking the citizenship class at LaCasa, Inc.**

**Pastor Mario, Carmen and family** with the San Lucas Church, our sister church in San Martin, Mexico.

## **Nurture**

**Sunday school classes for all ages** are held from 9-10am

**Children's Church:** *To help assure the safety of the children, we ask that a responsible person meet your children at the Children's Church door as soon as they are dismissed.*

**Today:** Bonnie Cripe, Lois & Cheyenne Chupp, Calista Swartzendruber

**Childcare** is available in the basement nursery for children ages 3 years and younger.

**Today:** Donna Smucker, Mariana Ramos, Natan Nafziger

Dear North Goshen Family,

How can I begin to thank you? I felt your prayers and love as we went through last week. The theme of my mother's funeral was family and I am so very grateful for you, my church family. We continue to grieve and are comforted by your continued prayers. ~Cheryl, Greg, Leah, Hannah and Harrison

**To make an announcement, please go to the front of the church where there is a microphone.**

**Thank You.**

## **Announcements**

● Birthday offerings are being combined with the first-Sunday-of-the-month MCC offering. You may bring your birthday offering up to the jar or give it to a child to put it in for you.

● **Easter Breakfast**—There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board for you to bring something for our Easter breakfast. Please place your name next to the item(s) you can provide. Thank You! ~Fellowship Commission

● **Spring Break** -Mark and family will be out of town from today through Wednesday. Please contact Izaete or one of the Elders with any pastoral concerns. Cheryl will also be out of town until Thursday.

● **Ladies Lunch Bunch** will meet at Martin's Supermarket on Bashor Road, the first Tuesday of the month, April 4, at 11:30am. Join us to enjoy a leisurely lunch, catch up and get to know each other better.

●**It is time to send College Care Packages!** Sunday school classes were assigned students to remember with care packages. Most colleges will end classes in April. Please remember your students.

●**The church building's roof** is in need of replacement. We have experienced numerous leaks, and although the leaks are currently patched, we need to be looking ahead. We would like to begin raising funds in order to commit to a long term solution. If you would be willing to donate money for a new roof, please mark your envelope (or a portion of your offering) to the building fund/new roof. Thanks, Kendel Martin

●**LaCasa has invited North Goshen to help administer a survey assessing program goals and priorities in the Chamberlain neighborhood.**

Both English- and Spanish-speaking volunteers are needed from our congregation, beginning in April. This is a great way to get to know our church neighbors. If you are able to help or have questions, **please contact Jose Elizalde.**

●**No Parking-**We had very polite request to stop parking on the south side of Summit Street. Please be considerate of our neighbors and do not park along that side of the street.

#### Coming Events

April 11	Coordinating Council/Elders meeting 6:30pm
April 13	Mennonite Women Work Day
April 14	Good Friday service 6:30pm
April 16	Easter : Sunrise Service at Fidler 7am, Breakfast 8am, 9am Worship -No Sunday School
April 19	Community Meal
April 23	Spring Business Meeting 6pm

#### Prayer Requests/Notes

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