

Estén siempre alegres,  
oren sin cesar,  
den gracias a Dios en toda situación,  
porque esta es su voluntad para ustedes en Cristo Jesús.  
(1 Tesalonicenses 5:16-18)

## **North Goshen Mennonite Church**

March 11, 2018

*Once again*

Welcome & Call to Worship

Joel Daly

*This little light of mine*

Hymnal: A Worship Book 401

*We praise thee, O God*

Hymnal: A Worship Book 99

Offering Ourselves & Our Gifts

*How deep the father's love for us*

Children ages 4 through grade 2 are dismissed to Children's Church

Sharing & Congregational Prayer

*Where have you witnessed God's work during the week?*

*Where is God's presence needed?*

Numbers 21:4-9

Mariana Rodriguez & Deena Elizalde

"The Covenant Community: Facing the Snakes"

Mark Schloneger

Confession & Words of Assurance

*Longing for light*

Sing the Journey 54

*Colossians 3:17*

Sing for Joy 961

Benediction

(Respond with: Blessed be the name of the Lord!)

### **Our Prayers**

**Those unable to attend services:** Bill Yoder, Thelma Harley, Judy Yoder, Elroy & Alberta Troyer  
**Pastor Mario, Carmen and family** with the San Lucas Church, our sister church in San Martin, Mexico.

**Congregational members** who have lost spouses and family members.

**Those recovering:** Jim Burkholder, Elva Yoder

#### **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:** Joan Ulrich, Harlan & Trent Stoltzfus, Tessa Sommers

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

**Today:** Joel & Erica Unzicker, Jackie Ramirez

#### Coming Events

March 21	Community Meal 6pm
March 21	Evening Prayers 6:45pm
March 25	Palm Sunday
March 28	Evening Prayers 6pm
March 28	Venture Club, 6:30pm
March 30	Good Friday
April 1	Easter (Sunrise Service 7am)
June 18-22	Vacation Bible School

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

Please email announcements to the church office before Friday or give them to the worship leader prior to worship.

#### Announcements

- **Coordinating Council** will meet Tuesday at 6:30pm.
- Izaete is attending the ordination of Wilma Cender at Valparaiso Mennonite Church this morning.
- Cheryl will be attending a conference Wednesday-Saturday and will be out-of-the-office. Please get any items for inclusion in the service for March 18 to her before Tuesday morning.
- **Evening Prayers.** During Lent, we'll be meeting at the church for prayer on Wednesdays from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. prayer services will be guided by scriptures, will include some singing, and will provide opportunities to pray for individuals, our congregation, our country, and our world.
- **Senior Lunch, Friday, March 16, 11:30am.** This is a carry-in, please bring a dish to share. Join us here in the Fellowship Hall for a fun time of fellowship!
- **Men's Breakfast, Saturday, March 17, 8:30am at *The Trolley*,**

located at the *Old Bag Factory*. All men are welcome!

●**Venture Club**, March 28, 6:30 - 7:30 pm, hosted by Bob & Enid Schloneger and Sarah Schloneger. Come and make a “Resurrection Garden” in celebration of Easter.

●**Elkhart County Jail Ministry Banquet**. The 2018 banquet will take place Tuesday evening, April 24th from 7:00-8:30 pm (doors open at 6:00pm). Like last year, it will be a dessert banquet held at Maple City Chapel in Goshen. North Goshen will sponsor a table. There is no cost but donations are encouraged. Please let Mark or Cheryl know if you want a seat or sign up on the sheet on the bulletin board.

Rejoice always,  
pray continually,  
give thanks in all circumstances;  
for this is God’s will for you in Christ Jesus.  
(1 Thessalonians 5:16-18)

**Prayer Requests/Notes**

*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, Gail Yoder & Randy Lehman.*

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