Announcements for May 14, 2017

**CALL TO PRAYER**

6For it stands in scripture: See, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone, chosen and precious; and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame. 1 Peter 2: 6

This month LWCC is issuing a Bible Memory Challenge. See the attached document for the entire text.

**LIFE IN OUR BODY**

**YOUTH**

There is no youth group this week. Also, on Sunday May 21st we will be having a special youth group. We plan to go watch and support our teens at CircEsteem by seeing their show. The show is at 2pm, so we will be getting together earlier that Sunday. I will send you more details next week.

Reminder, Menno Haven will be here before we know it. For those looking for scholarships for Menno Haven, they will need to work either two potlucks and one work day, or two work days. We will have two work days planned during the day, during Spring Break. I will have forms for Menno Haven on Sunday, but in case you would rather get them youselves...

<http://www.mennohaven.com/uploads/1/8/4/2/18428681/mhsummer2017brochure_final.pdf>

<http://www.mennohaven.com/uploads/1/8/4/2/18428681/2017_menno_haven_summer_camp_health_form.pdf>

Or you can also register online: <http://www.mennohaven.com/summer-camps1.html>

**SUMMER SAVE THE DATES**

LWCC Block Party - July 23

LWCC Vacation Bible School - August 7-25

LWCC Back to School Block Party- September 10

**COMMUNITY**

**CONDO FOR SALE:** 2+ bedroom, 1 bath condo (c. 1400 sq ft) in 6-unit building on a peaceful block in Rogers Park, close to lakefront and Loyola Red Line stop. Large living room with bay, large dining room with original (c. 1915) stained-glass window, up-to-date kitchen. Small room off DR for office, guest, or pantry. Ceiling fans plus two rarely needed window AC units; radiator heat. Lovely back porch; inviting backyard and patio with shared grill and picnic table. Garage available @ $60/month. Homeowner assessment $300/month, includes heat and cooking gas, free washers and dryers, basement storage areas, insurance, exterior maintenance, snow removal. Asking $200,000, negotiable. Contact Ruth Goring at 630-247-7752 or ruthgoring@gmail.com. Buyers only at this time; no agents please.

**Rogers Park Food Co-op Presents - SUSTAINABLE:** Join Rogers Park Food Co-op for a screening of the award winning documentary, Sustainable, an investigation of the economic and environmental instability of America's food system, from the agricultural issues we face - soil loss, water depletion, climate change, pesticide use - to the community leaders who are determined to fix it. **May 17**, Living Water Community Church, 7pm film, 8:30pm panel discussion. $10 admission/$5 students and food available for purchase from Urban Tables. [www.rogersparkfoodcoop.com/movie\_night\_sustainable](file:///C%3A%5CUsers%5COfficeMgr%5CDocuments%5CAnnouncements%5CAnnouncements%5C2017%20Announcements%5Cwww.rogersparkfoodcoop.com%5Cmovie_night_sustainable)

**Volunteers Needed –** Willye B White’s Safe Summer Kickoff is happening June 3.  As a part of the Park Advisory Board, Tim Williams is searching for volunteers from LWCC to supply hot dogs, grills and water for the Howard Street Community.  Volunteers are also needed to man the grills and distribute food from 11am-2pm.  If you are able to help with this event, please contact Tim at 773 391 4448  or  tim@urbansoundstudio.org.

**Job Announcement:** The Rodgers Park Food Co-op is seeking an Outreach Coordinator. Primary responsibilities include implementing and coordinating owner recruitment campaign and cultivating strategic partnerships with the community through building strategic relationships, outreach events, education and owner/volunteer engagement. email resume, cover letter and references to kristina@rogersparkfoodcoop.com with Outreach Coordinator Search in the subject line.

**June 10, 2017**. The 14th annual [Endurance Ride](http://enduranceride.org/), a bike-a-thon to raise support for [Emmaus Ministries](http://streets.org/)! Serious and casual riders, individuals and families, bikers and volunteers - welcome all! Come just for the day, or spend the entire weekend with us at the beautiful La Salle Manor Retreat Center in Plano, IL. Like the [ER page on FB](https://www.facebook.com/EnduranceRide/) to keep up with updates. If you have questions, ask Al or Andi Tauber, or any of the other Team Living Water members!

**Jewish and Palestinian Voices for Peace**: Join in conversation exploring diverse perspectives on Israel-Palestine and prospects for peace in the current political climate - **Monday, May 15**, 7:30 pm at the Reba Place Church Meetinghouse (620 Madison St., Evanston). Rabbi Michael Davis is a founding member of Jewish Voice for Peace - Rabbinical Council. He speaks regularly in churches and other faith settings on Palestinian solidarity from a Jewish perspective, having grown up in Jerusalem and lived in both Israel and on the West Bank.  At the request of Archbishop Theodosius of the Greek Orthodox patriarchate of Jerusalem, he translated the Kairos Palestine Document into Hebrew. Rabbi Davis will partner with Jonathan Kuttab, a prominent Mennonite Palestinian human rights lawyer, on this leg of a cross-country speaking tour. Audiences will be invited to take part in a shared vision of what Palestinian Arabs and Israeli Jews needs to live free, dignified and whole lives in the land.

**DENOMINATION**

**MCC Relief Fund**

According to the United Nations, the world is facing the largest humanitarian crisis since the second world war. More than 20 million people across Yemen, Somalia, South Sudan and northeast Nigeria are facing or are at risk of famine. Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) is working in the area to provide emergency food assistance and increase its response to the crisis. Because of serious conflicts and concerns for safe, unimpeded access for humanitarian assistance, this process is slow and challenging. To donate to MCC’s relief fund, which supports MCC’s response to this disaster and others, visit [mcc.org/learn/what/relief](https://mcc.org/learn/what/relief), call 1-888-563-4676 or send a check to MCC, PO Box 500, Akron, PA 17501-0500.

**Welcoming Immigrants and Refugees as Neighbors**

Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) U.S. decries the executive actions on immigration enforcement taken this week by President Trump as well as actions on refugee resettlement expected later. In our society, rejection of the immigrant—“the other”—still runs deep. By building walls and turning away refugees we ignore Christ’s call to care for those in need and to love the newcomer. We encourage you to consider new ways you can [welcome](https://mcc.org/media/resources/3889) immigrants and refugees as neighbors in your community, and to make your voice heard by [contacting](https://mcc.org/get-involved/advocacy/alerts/more/migration) the White House and your members of Congress. Pray with us for [hearts of love](https://mcc.org/stories/statement-welcoming-immigrants-refugees-neighbors) toward one another.

**Weekly Post from Conference Minister Michael Danner**

Get to know our new Conference Minister Michael Danner by following his weekly posts -[Click Here](http://us2.campaign-archive1.com/?u=888a4a3a57aff5be73fbfe3bf&id=878f8886ef&e=e9ef8cf0a5) - see the church office for a printed version.

**Mennonite Church USA Bulletin Announcement**

Be in prayer for all the graduates of the various Mennonite-related colleges, universities and seminaries who are finishing their academic work this month. Pray that they would be open to God’s leading as they follow their call on the next steps of their journeys.

**Mennonite Mission Network**

On this Mother’s Day, Mennonite Mission Network gives thanks for the women who have modeled God’s love and helped to shape the church. Ask God to bless all the mothers in the world with food and homes for their children.

**Find out how to put your faith into action!**Consider serving and learning about how God is working in other parts of the country.  Check out our Christian Service opportunities for ages 14 -26.  But don’t delay because application deadlines are coming up soon!  Service Adventure, Journey International, Door (Dwell) and MVS – Application deadline = June 1st: [https://www.mennonitemission.net/Serve](http://mennonitemission.us4.list-manage.com/track/click?u=615f89d83d7f5d6b16f40bb52&id=67e13bc2aa&e=d0d872d731)

***CALENDAR****:*

Please contact the church office (773-764-5872) if we’ve missed your birthday or anniversary!! (And mention the year as well, to make the database happy.)

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| **May Birthdays** |  | **Date** |
| Blanche | Montessi | 1st |
| Kristin | Jackson | 3rd |
| Yarona | Shakya | 3rd |
| Kapere | Kalimili | 9th |
| Sonia | Maharjan | 9th |
| Tim | McCord | 9th |
| Sally | Youngquist | 11th |
| Nishimwe | Bukuru | 12th |
| Jessica | Kalimili | 20th |
| Sarah | Harbert | 24th |
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| **May Anniversaries** | **Date** |
| Julie & Jeremy | Carlsen | 10th |
| Karri & Jim | Deselm | 21st |
| Kim & Ed | Hitchcock | 21st |
| Jamie & John | Makatche | 25th |
| Annie & Jason | Gill-Bloyer | 28th |
| Andi & Al | Tauber | 28th |
| Autumn & Tim | Williams | 30th |

***Worship Calendar***

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| **Date** | **Worship Hosts** | **Teaching** | **Sermon Text** | **Lectionary Scriptures** | **Nursery** |
| 5/7/2017 | Pippin and Steven M.  | Safari + Alex | 1 Peter 1:17-23 | Acts 2:42-47Psalm 231 Peter 2:19-25John 10:1-10 | Jessica & Charles |
| 5/14/2017 | Lisa and Jean Marc | Kristin | 1 Peter 2:1-12 | Acts 7:55-60 Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16 1 Peter 2:2-10 John 14:1-14 | Nina & Francine |
| 5/21/2017 | Ruth and Steven M | Kristin | 1 Peter 3:13-22 | Acts 17:22-31 Psalm 66:8-20 1 Peter 3:13-22 John 14:15-21 or Acts 1:1-11 Psalm 47 or Psalm 93 Ephesians 1:15-23 Luke 24:44-53 | Katherine & ? |
| 5/28/2017 | Hafashimana and Serena? |  | 1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11 | Acts 1:6-14Psalm 68:1-10, 32-351 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11John 17:1-11 | Nina & Pippin |
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***Weekly Events:***

-          **Saturdays – Nepali Youth Group Bible Study**: 12:30 to 3:pm at the meetinghouse

-          **Sundays**: English language worship 9:30-11:30 am; Nepali worship 12:30-3 p.m. Khmer and Kiswahili/Kurundi speakers meet in their respective groups after English opening service.

-          **Sunday School Classes**: Sunday morning after English opening service.

-          **Small Group Offerings**: Call or e-mail the church office (office.lwcc@gmail.com, 773-764-5872), for more information.