



Week of May 12, 2019

Sunday, May 12

9:00 a.m. Worship

Lead Pastor Joe Hackman will preach on Acts 9:36-43; *Learning from Dorcas and RHE*

10:15 a.m. The Second Hour for all ages.

Maribeth Benner and Brad Alderfer will be presenting an elective Second Hour class on the challenge of climate change in the Fellowship Hall. Sr. and Jr. MYF, #Sundayschool class and Connections Class will be attending. Other interested adults are invited to attend.

For Your Prayers List

- Ferne Alderfer, Dock Woods Community
- Anna G. Landis, Peter Becker
- Elaine Moyer, Mennonite Education Agency

Sunday, May 5

Offering
\$7,779
ACH Electronic
Offering
\$5,485
Kiosk Offering
\$2,574
Total Offering
\$15,838

Peace Camp 2019

Peace Camp is coming! Peace Camp will be held June 23-27 (Sunday – Thursday), 2019, 5:00 – 8:00 p.m. (dinner included). Registration for Peace Camp for children completing Kindergarten through 5th grade has begun; please see our website to register, www.salfordmc.org. For more information, and to sign-up to volunteer at Peace Camp, please see the insert in the bulletin.

Mennonite Education Plan Covenant

Mennonite Education Plan Covenants for the 2019/2020 school year have been placed in church mailboxes. If you are planning to send your children to Dock Mennonite Academy or Quakertown Christian School, please complete and return the covenant to the church office by May 26, 2019. If you have question about Mennonite Education Plan participation, please contact **Ron Freed**, Chair, Mennonite Education Plan Ministry Team, **Jim Rittenhouse** or **Meredith Ehst**.

This Week at Salford

Tuesday, May 14

7:00 p.m. Child Care Ministry Team Meeting (Friendship Room)

Wednesday, May 15

9:30 a.m. Salford Community Parents Play Date (Reaching Out Classroom)

Sunday, May 19

9:00 a.m. Worship

Preaching: Joe Hackman

10:15 a.m. Second Hour for All Ages

Our Church Family

Prayer Concerns

- For **Glen Martin** for continued strength and healing.
- For the joys and sorrows that are carried by our **mothers**.
- Prayers for **Beth Yoder** as she prepares to return from sabbatical on May 19th.
- For **young adults** and the **families of young adults** who struggle with mental health issues

Birthday Blessings...

To **Ruth Nafziger**, who celebrates her 93rd birthday on May 19, 2019.

Service & Mission

Donation of the Month for May – Canned beans – baked, black, kidney, chickpeas, etc.

Place items at the collection table by the Infant/Toddler Nursery.

Hello! Our **Service Night at the MCC Material Resource Center** is coming up on

Future Salford Events

- June 1 – Spring Workday
- June 23-27 - Peace Camp
- August 18 – Outdoor Worship in the Grove and Fellowship Picnic

If you have information or prayer requests for our newsletter, please submit this to the church office by 4:00 p.m. Wednesday afternoon.

If you would like to receive this newsletter by email, please submit your email address to alderferb@salfordmc.org

Wednesday, May 22nd! We will meet at 5:30 for a quick pizza dinner and then serve together until 7:30. There are various projects from sorting in the warehouse to helping with quilting. You can join us for the entire time or as long as you can. We will have families with elementary-aged children and YOU! We have 8 spaces for anyone over the age of 5 - please join us to serve together and maybe get to know a few folks you don't know so well.

Please contact me to register or with questions. Feel free to call 215.237.7367 or email me at bkbergey@gmail.com. Hope to see you there!

News & Notes

Joe Hackman will be attending the Festival of Homiletics in Minneapolis May 13-17. From the Festival's website: *The Festival of Homiletics is a weeklong conference that brings together a wide variety of outstanding preachers and professors of Homiletics to inspire a discourse about preaching, worship and culture. Our goal is to engage theologically the practices of preaching and worship, as well as issues related to congregations in the 21st century. Individual preachers are invited to consider various styles and methodologies of preaching in the hopes that they will renew their faith and refresh their spirits through engaging worship, lectures and workshops. Throughout the week we aim to inspire preachers in their roles of proclaiming the gospel.*

The **Trustees** have scheduled **spring workday** for June 1st, 2019. The focus will be cleanup of the flowerbeds, shrubbery trimming and spreading wood chips on the playground. Please bring rakes, shovels and wheelbarrows if you have them.

The **Salford church library** will be closed on Sunday, May 26 (Memorial Day weekend). Any items needing to be returned can be put in the Library drop box.

Sunday, May 26 (10:30-11:30) – Joel Alderfer will present an elective Second Hour program, in the Gathering Room (2nd floor), titled ***Difficult Choices: Stories of Mennonite Soldiers and "CO's" in World War I.*** Using images, stories, and anecdotes, Joel will describe a group of young men from the Salford Congregation who served as soldiers or conscientious objectors a century ago, during World War I. Why might some of these boys, raised in a peace church congregation, have accepted military service? What do we know about their war-time experiences and what happened to them after they returned home? What about those who were drafted but entered service as conscientious objectors? I'll tell a couple of their stories, and the dilemmas and difficulties *they* faced. An appropriate program for the Sunday before Memorial Day. Hosted by the Gospel Herald class.

Jacqueline and Jon Hoover will be visiting Salford on May 19th and Jacqueline will be preaching. If you would like to know more about Jacqueline and Jon, Jacqueline's work in building healthy relations between Muslims and Christians, and other activities Jacqueline is involved, please let Allen Kaczor know (askaczor@verizon.net or 610.731.5980). There will be time to talk with Jacqueline and Jon over lunch after church on May 19th.

A fundraising meal to support the opening of the Museum of the Palestinian People sponsored by the Salford Justice & Peace ministry team will be held in the Salford Fellowship Hall on June 1, 2019 at 5:30 p.m. Come experience an authentic Palestinian meal and hear from Bshara Nassar, founder and director of the Museum of the Palestinian People in Washington D.C. Bshara will be telling his story of growing up in Palestine, working for justice and peace, and his vision and dreams for the new museum. There is a \$20.00 registration fee for each individual and additional donations to the museum are welcome. All proceeds from this event

will go towards the Museum of the Palestinian People. Register for the event by Monday, May 27 by going to the following link: <https://forms.gle/nG6qHD9iszGjGUjh8> Contact Michael George at georgeme55@hotmail.com with any questions.

The **nursery** is a busy place on Sunday mornings, and we need more volunteers to make it work. Please consider if you can be available a few times per year for this important job, and contact Sarah McInnes (smcinnnes@pa.gov) if you are willing.

Maribeth Benner and **Brad Alderfer** are planning a three-session Second Hour class on the concern of **climate change**. The Senior and Junior High Youth and #Sundayschool class will be part of this class, and other interested adults are invited to join in the Fellowship Hall on May 5, 12 and 19. This three part class will focus on the challenge we face with climate change, hopeful action occurring around the world, and what actions we can take as individuals and as a society to face this challenge. We encourage everyone to be a part of this important conversation.

We are thankful for the work of **Lucy Detweiler** as assistant to George Gaugler with cleaning the church on Sunday afternoons in preparation for Child Care on Monday morning. Lucy has determined she is no longer able to assist with these duties. **We are seeking a person to pick up these duties to assist George.** This is paid position for approximately 1.5 hours per week. Responsibilities include: tidying up the sanctuary, straightening the books in the pews, remove old bulletins and any trash you find, and collect the Friendship pad materials. Remove trash from back foyer, and in all bathrooms. Vacuum foyer entranceway and vacuum nursery and room behind welcome center if it is used for second hour. Remove trash from upstairs adult classrooms and make sure all lights are turned off on second floor before leaving. Please Brad Alderfer or George Gaugler if you would like to fill this role.

The **Worship Ministry Team** is making a change to announcement time during worship time out of mindfulness of our morning service length. From now on, please send any verbal announcement requests for Sunday morning to Brad Alderfer by 4pm on Friday. Then on Sunday morning, please make your way to the front pew during the song of response so you are ready to make your announcement. We will not pass the mic except in the case of mobility challenges.

As much as possible please use the newsletter for information sharing and announcements. Copies of our Newsletter are always at our Welcome Center. Announcements for the newsletter must be submitted to Brad by 4pm on Thursday.

Youth and Young Adult News

- **Lukah Zehr** will be presenting his Dock Mennonite Academy senior speech on June 3 at 6:00 p.m. **Micah Zehr** will be presenting his senior speech on June 3 at 6:30 p.m.
- **Quentin Heise** will be graduating from Owen J. Roberts High School on June 7
- **Micah** and **Lukah Zehr** will be graduating from Dock Mennonite Academy on June 8
- **Conrad Nyce** will be graduating from Souderton Area High School on June 10
- **Emily Bergey** will be serving in Japan with Mennonite Mission Network from the beginning of May to the end of June.
- Artwork by Salford 6th graders **Ava Miller** and **Lela Martin** will be featured at the 20th Intergenerational Art Show of Dock Mennonite Academy. Artwork by adults in the students' families will be on display as well. There will be a

reception on May 7th at the Mennonite Heritage Center from 3:30 to 5:00pm. If you can't make it then, stop by sometime between May 7th - 24th. Gallery hours are Tuesday - Friday, 10 - 5, and Saturday, 10 - 2.

Any youth and families can notify Pastor Maria about activities to include in the Spotlight!

Mennonite Church USA News

"How has God called you to co-create bridges in your church and community with new imagination and understanding?" Read "Looking to the Bridge Builders" from Sue Park-Hur, MC USA denominational minister for Leadership Development, on the Menno Snapshots blog: mennoniteusa.org/menno-snapshots/looking-to-the-bridge-builders

Beyond Salford

Discover Dock Mennonite Academy's Early Childhood-Grade 8 Open House on Tuesday, May 14, 2019 4:00-6:00 pm. Dock integrates faith and learning at every grade level and teaches essential life skills, such as, critical thinking, problem solving, inquisitiveness, teamwork, and leadership. Dock also offers over \$1 million in financial aid annually to families. Come learn more about us!

Location: Early Childhood to Grade 8 Campus, 420 Godshall Rd. Souderton, PA 18964. For more information, email admissions@dock.org. or visit dock.org.

You are invited to the [Perkasie Patchwork Coffeehouse](#) on May 18 as they welcome [Tookany Creek](#), fine Philadelphia bluegrass and then some. Opening the evening is [Russ Rentler](#), multi-instrumental folk, Celtic, and blues-inspired tunes interspersed with off-beat humor and wry observations. Doors open at 7:00 pm with performances at 7:30. To learn more, visit PerkMenno.net.

Enjoy the fun and friendly competition of the **Whack & Roll Croquet Tournament** which benefits local nonprofit organizations and the **Mennonite Heritage Center** on Friday evening, May 31 and Saturday, June 1. Register your two-person team now for the Nonprofit Tournament on Saturday. Youth groups are invited to register for the Survivor Youth Croquet Tournament on Friday evening.

For information and to register, visit www.mhep.org, email info@mhep.org, or call 215-256-3020.

Spring Fest Open House at Spruce Lake will be held Sunday, June 2, 2:00 to 6:00 pm, rain or shine. Experience all that Spruce Lake has to offer! The event is free, but please preregister at www.sprucelake.org/events/open-house.

Healthy Niños will be hosting its **Annual Golf Outing** on June 7. For additional information or to register online, go their webpage at healthyninos.org/golf-outing.html. They've also released their spring newsletter; read about their work in Honduras at healthyninos.org/newsletters.html. They appreciate your support as they reach the poor, rural villages of Honduras through community education, medical assistance and a Nutrition Center for malnourished children.