

Menno Bulletin Weekly

Bulletin Announcements for July 7, 2019

Witmer Heights Church Life Activities Calendar

July 7 – EMM Commissioning service at Black Rock.- 6:30 - 8:30 pm. – Speakers: Jimm & Kaylene Dirksen
July 13 – EMM Global Fair at Hans Herr House - 11:00 am to 3:00 pm.
July 14 – Reporting on MCUSA convention.
July 14 – Fellowship meal at noon.
Sept. 8 – Second Annual 3-District Fall Picnic for churches of the Lancaster, Lititz, and Mellinger Districts.
Sept. 20, 21, 22 – Church Retreat at Penn Valley Retreat Center
Oct. 21 – WH Volunteer day at MCC Material Resource Center – 9-3:00.

| | <u>Sunday, July 7</u> | <u>Sunday, July 14</u> |
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| Message | Randy Keener | Randy Keener |
| Greeters | Karen and Abe Diffenbach | John H. and Kathryn Landis |

~**Sunday, July 14** Mia Swartley will be sharing a report on the Mennonite Church USA convention.

~**CVCCS is in need of pasta** (especially elbow macaroni and noodles). Please place your contributions in the box at church designated for CVCCS. Thank you.

~**Sympathy and care are extended** to Marilyn Darity and family. Her stepmother, Jeanette Hershey Martin, died on June 29. Funeral was on Saturday, June 6.

~**An email was sent out Tuesday** regarding the need for immigration detainee kits. If you did not see the email, an explanation is below. (Also, information was put in church mailboxes for you to refer to.)

Sunday, June 30, Clair Kauffman shared a prayer request for how we can support migrants and detainees at the border. We also considered how we can actively engage and participate in the conflicts around us with the love of Christ?

Here might be one way to respond, if you feel led to do so. A variety of different materials are needed for the immigration detainee kits put together by Mennonite Central Committee. (See list on information put in your mailbox). If you do not want to assemble a full kit, you can also bring individual materials for the kits to be assembled. Cash donations are also welcomed. The kits and materials can be placed on the stage at church starting this coming Sunday, July 7 and for the next several weeks.

~**Blossom Hill Mennonite Church has invited Witmer Heights children** to participate in their Summer Vacation Bible School program. Mia Swartley is helping to staff their VBS this year as part of her Ministry Inquiry program experience.

Their VBS runs from July 8-11 from 6-8pm at Blossom Hill Mennonite Church for children ages 4 through rising 5th graders. If you know of others that might be interested please invite them as well. Parents can register their children at this link: <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdeCKnFafZx6COyHw7oTwiJl7MzHoQllmbCrnsji0yaK5kkFQ/viewform>

~**Please reserve the date of September 8th, 4:00 pm** for our second annual 3-District fall picnic. This includes everyone from the churches in the Lancaster, Lititz, and Mellinger Districts. The picnic will be held at River's Edge. More details to follow, along with a bulletin announcement, nearer the time. –Bishops: Rodney Martin and Joe Miller

~**New and reappointed mission workers** will receive EMM's send-off and blessing while surrounded by family, friends, and the broader community at the Oakwood Chapel at Black Rock Retreat. The celebration, July 7, 6:30-8:30, features worship, guest speakers, and a time to introduce and pray for each worker or family preparing to be sent. Jim and Kaylene Derksen, who have served with EMM for the majority of their adult lives, will be the featured speakers. They will be sharing on the theme, "Walking the path together," based on Proverbs 4:18. "The path of the righteous is like the morning sun, shining ever brighter till the full light of day." After the service, workers and guests will have time to enjoy fellowship and ice cream. Join us for this special time.

Below are the names of individuals who will be commissioned on Sunday evening. This list does not include: -those who left for assignment last week, -those unable to attend, -or those who will be commissioned but work in sensitive location (5 individuals/families)

Kandace Glenn – Cambodia
Sonya Harnish – Albania
Daryl and Jen Hoover and family - Costa Rica
Don Sensenig - non-resident worker for Vietnam
David and Grace Shenk - Global
Andres Prins – Global

Brad Herlein – U.S.
Anne Dabroski – U.S.
Katrina Shenk – U.S.
Angie Earl – U.S.