

Menno Bulletin Weekly

Bulletin Announcements for June 13, 2021

Witmer Heights Church Life Activities Calendar

June 13 – Noon - Families of Jr. Youth -- Potluck at Barefoot Acres. Bring sandwiches or wraps, and a side dish of salad, veggies, fruits, or desserts.

June 15 – Prayer meeting in-person in the church fellowship hall. – 8:30 –9:30 a.m.

June 26 – Church picnic at Intercourse Park. (Details are in the latest Community Care Courier.)

June 27 – No Sunday school.

July 5 – Steve Musselman’s formal first day at Witmer Heights.

July 11 – Installation service for Steve Musselman.

September 24-26 – Annual Church Retreat at Penn Valley

October 18 – Volunteer Day at MCC Resource Center.

	<u>Sunday, June 13</u>	<u>Sunday, June 20</u>
Worship Leader	Anna Kauffman	Sophia Zook
Preacher	Wayne Speigle	Father’s Day Sharing

~**During the months of May and June**, Wayne will be preaching a couple of Sundays, receiving emails, and available to be called on if needs should arise. Cell/Text – 215-896-9052. Email: waynespeigle@gmail.com.

~**Pray for** ElderTeam and Worship Team as they make decisions regarding our church life. Address any concerns to them.

~**Pray for** healing and hope for those dealing with health issues, loneliness, and loss.

~**Pray for** Todd & Kristen Stoltzfus in their search for housing to meet the needs of their growing family.

~**Sympathy and care** are extended to Chris and Rose Kennel in the loss of Chris’ sister Grace on June 2. Wishing you peace.

~ **Dear Friends**, I was blessed to feel connected to so many family and friends through your birthday cards. Thank you so much! Sunday was a wonderful day with all four of our daughters present in celebrating my 80th birthday. ~Jim Oswald

~**At the congregational meeting June 6**, the following actions were taken:

- 1) Steve Musselman was affirmed as the new pastor for Witmer Heights.
- 2) The following leadership positions were affirmed:
 - a) Elder Team: Neil Reinford, chair; Ernie Mast, Joy Miller, Jon Stoltzfus, and Shelby Swartley
 - b) Care Team: Jan Mast, with Deb Muensterman assisting 1 yr. and then leader 2 yrs.
 - c) Grow Team: Clair Kauffman
 - d) Worship Team: Sophia Zook
 - e) FDMC Board Secretary: Dean Mast
 - f) Retreat Coordinator Assistants: Rance and Marilyn Darity

~**The “Moms in Prayer” group** from Lancaster Mennonite School met in our church building this past school year. They sent this note: *“A special thank you for allowing us to use your facilities to gather for our moms in prayer meetings. We so appreciate that you were willing to accommodate us.”*

Sincerely,

Tricia Stoltzfus and the moms in prayer group.

~**CDC Guidelines for Witmer Heights/First Deaf:**

Please respect that time and energy have been put into thoughtful and difficult discussion on guidelines for our church congregation.

After reviewing the CDC guidelines and more discussion with the Board and Elder Team please see the guidelines below for the Witmer Heights congregation.

Those who are vaccinated (and children under 12) may go without masks inside and outside on church property. Be aware of personal space. Certainly, you are always welcome to wear a mask if you are more comfortable.

Those who are not vaccinated, it is recommend that masks continue indoors and social distancing is practiced.

We will continue on with these items:

Hand sanitizer and masks stations at each entry way.

Limit bathroom use to 2 persons at a time.

Sitting every other row in the sanctuary and use the open fellowship hall for social distancing.

Facebook Live video of church services.

Holding off on coffee hour before SS.

Please have a mask readily available when needed. (such as the indoor fellowship meals food line.)

In the past we may have attended church with a cold, sore throat, or headache etc. Please choose to stay home if you have any of these symptoms.

Unfortunately, the COVID pandemic is not over and it is fluid. The guidelines may change again at a later date. (Hopefully towards the positive!) Some persons continue to be wary of COVID and we want to respect each other.

We are so thankful for a low positivity rate in Lancaster County right now and we hope it continues! If you have any concerns about the information in this email please feel free to talk with one of the Elders. (Vanessa King Boyer, Rose Kennel, Neil Reinford, Jonathan Stoltzfus, Judy Stoltzfus) Sincerely and a big thank you, WH Elder Team