

## Sunday, May 5

9:30 am - Josh Meyer will bring the message "Respect Everyone, Always" from Ephesians 4: 29 - 5:2, Matthew 7: 12.

## Past week, April 28

<b>Worship Attendance:</b>	
Worship	159
Online	45
<b>Offering:</b>	
Regular	6,690.00
Electronic	2,070.00
Foundation	300.00
Building	332.00
Other	15.00
<b>Total:</b>	<b>9,407.00</b>

To watch the worship service online, please visit [www.bgmc.net](http://www.bgmc.net).

**Pastoral Care Team:**  
Contact anyone on this team with pastoral care concerns - Michael Bishop, Pastor, Merrill Allebach, Rose Allebach, Glenda Bergey, Joye Bryan, Mark Derstine, Karen Hunsberger, Betty Kulp (John), Ellen Lacher, Marilyn Nase, Ralph Nase, Sylvia Shelly

If you or a family member are hospitalized, please inform one of the pastors or pastoral visitor team members. Due to confidentiality, hospitals no longer inform congregations when our members are admitted. We appreciate the information you pass along to our team to help us better care and offer support to all our members. Thank you, Michael Bishop

[CLICK HERE](#)  
to read the latest Pastor's Blog!



## **Bake Sale Update**

The Jr. MYF is grateful for the outpouring of support that we received from the congregation at our bake sale on April 14. The smiles, encouraging words and the financial donations all made us feel loved. Thank you!

(see more photos on the back page)



## **Spring Work Day**



The trustees would like to express gratitude to all who came out to lend a hand yesterday during our annual spring workday.

The list of projects was long, and we completed much of it. Annual maintenance both inside and out, and a host of other special projects were crossed off our "to-do" list. Lots of hands made our tasks manageable. We even had a little fun in the process. And as usual, we were fed well during our morning and lunch breaks where we enjoyed our fellowship together.



If you weren't able to attend, there are still things that need to be done around the church. Please see any of the Trustee to see how you might help.

We have a beautiful church building and property, and it takes a village to keep it that way.

Thanks again, The Trustees



## Sunday, May 12

9:30 am - Jeff Wright will bring the message "Unity Through Leaders That Follow Jesus" from Acts 1:15-26

## Upcoming Speakers

May 19 - Dock Touring Choir  
May 26 - Jeff Wright  
June 2 - Josh Meyer  
June 9 - Mennonite Children's Choir of Lancaster

## BGMC Staff

- [Jeff Wright](#), Interim Lead Pastor
- [Michael Bishop](#), Pastor of Music, Worship & Pastoral Care
- [Michelle Ahn-Doettger](#) - general inquiries, cemetery/burial, worship leader notes, temporarily communications (Glen News, Facebook, graphics)
- [Gretchen Cook](#) - facility use, congregant database, Sunday School administration
- [Conrad Martin](#), Bookkeeper
- [Jen Yoder](#), Senior High Youth Ministries Coordinator

## Pastoral Search next steps

The next steps in our pastoral search will be to invite the congregation into the discernment process. There will be three sessions for congregants to have conversation with Pastoral Search, CLB, Elders and Jeff Wright.

Saturday, May 18 3:00pm  
Saturday, May 18 7:00pm  
Sunday, May 19 4:00pm

Meetings will be in the Fellowship Hall. These sessions are important and your voice is needed as we discern God's leading. Please plan to participate in one of these sessions.

## Mosaic Pathways Steering Team Update

The Mosaic Pathways Steering Team continues its work as part of the two-year [Mosaic Pathways Process](#). Our team recently met with Mosaic leaders, Angela Moyer Walters, Roy Williams, and Steve Kriss to hear about their vision for the conference and ongoing communication between Mosaic and MCUSA. The strategic plan is taking shape in five focus areas: communication/transparency, clarity/identity, relationship building, leadership, and reconciliation. We are finalizing anchor statements and activities that will help us grow in each area and align with the conference's missional, intercultural, and formational priorities. The board will review the status of the plan at their May meeting. The team is working on both the plan and a recommendation regarding Mosaic's relationship with MCUSA for the November 2024 delegate assembly. Materials will be ready for the delegate preparation sessions which occur before assembly.

Our team enjoys working together, laughs, has hard conversations, prays, and is committed to listening to each other and the Holy Spirit. I encourage you to continue to pray for this work, to sign up for the weekly [Mosaic Newsletter](#), and to build relationships with Mosaic members in our 50+ congregations and 20+ Conference Related Ministries (CRMs).

Bronwyn Histan - Mosaic Pathways Steering Team member

## Staffing Updates

**Kristine McClain**, our Administrative Assistant, resigned effective April 4, 2024. We are thankful for Kristine's service at Blooming Glen Mennonite Church for the last two years. In the short term, Michelle Ahn-Doettger will be filling the majority of Kristine's role. We will be looking to fill the position in the following months. Please [click here](#) for the job description. Interested persons should email [michelle@bgmc.net](mailto:michelle@bgmc.net) with their resume.



## Knotting & Quilting @ MRC

Our Women's Bible Study will resume their time of work and service at the Material Resource Center on the second Wednesday of the month, 9:00 am to noon, from April through September. Join them on May 8! If you have questions, see Rose Lambright.

## Blooming Glen Volunteer Day at Care & Share

Members of BGMC share in service at Care and Share in Souderton the 4th Wednesday each month (& 5th Thursday, if there is one). Join them on May 22 and 30! Times = 9am-1pm or 1pm-5pm. If you have questions or would like more information, contact Gladys Grasse.



## Sr. High Youth:

Weekly Sunday School in the  
Sr. High Classroom

- ◆ May 19—MYF Senior Graduates Breakfast 8:15 am Fellowship Hall
- ◆ May 19—Graduate Recognition during worship

## Jr. High Youth:

Friends welcome at all events!

- ◆ May 5 – Peace Valley / Nolt's
- ◆ May 14 – Game Night 7:00-8:30 pm – drop-off and pick-up at Dave and Lori Bergey's home

## Kids Club:

For grades K through 5

- ◆ April 30—Pinewood Derby woodworking night. 5:30 pm [click here](#)

Medical Waiver: BGMC's Medical Waiver and Permission form for Children and Youth activities is available [here](#).

Dayspring Counseling Center of Penn Foundation will provide counseling sessions to congregational members and their families at a reduced fee through the Member Assistance Program (MAP). Call 215-257-6551 to schedule an appointment. More details are available in MAP brochures located in the foyers.

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# Our Church Family

In Our Thoughts & Prayers - Brent and Ruth Ann Benfield

## Upcoming Events

To be certain your news item will be included in the next issue of the Glen News, please submit it to Michelle Ahn-Doettger ([Michelle@bgmc.net](mailto:Michelle@bgmc.net)) by noon on Tuesday of each week. Please note: Groups using the church during evenings and weekends are responsible to lock/unlock and turn off the lights.

### CALENDAR NOTES: Pastor Jeff's upcoming schedule

- ✓ April 28 (pm)-May 4: working remotely - reachable by email or on his cell; he will be 5 hours ahead of us
- ✓ May 5-9: vacation

- ◆ Sunday, May 5 - Prayer Time Bible Study; meets in person in the Prayer Room or the sanctuary, and on Zoom. Prayer time will be 7 to 8, with Bible study from 8 to 9. \* Zoom link: [click here](#) Meeting ID: 883 2558 1982 Passcode: 645177
- ◆ Sunday, May 5, 12:00-2:00 pm - Collaborative Music Ensemble; meets the first Sunday of the month in the sanctuary - all instruments/skill levels welcome
- ◆ Wednesday, May 8, 9:00 am-12:00 pm - Women's Bible Study group knot-tying & quilting at MCC Material Resource Center
- ◆ Wednesday, May 15, 6:15-8:00 pm - SEEDS meets on the third Wednesday of the month. For more info or to help, contact Jodi Stewart-Moore.
- ◆ Sunday, May 19, 9:30 am - Dock Mennonite Academy (9-12) touring choir and Deep Run Mennonite Church East will be our special guests in worship, and we will recognize those graduating from high school and post-high
- ◆ Wednesday, May 22 and 30, 9:00 am-1:00 pm or 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm - Blooming Glen Volunteer Day at Care & Share.
- ◆ Sunday, May 26 - Outdoor Service in the Pavilion (note the swap: Sunday School @ 9:30, Worship @ 10:45) followed by a potluck lunch; please bring a main dish and a side or dessert.



Wondering what's going on in and around Mosaic Conference? See current & past issues of Mosaic News - their weekly e-newsletter - [by clicking here](#).

## In Our Community

Please join The Worm Project at 9 am on Saturday, May 18th, for their annual Fun Walk around beautiful Franconia Community Park. Along the path, there will be many fun, interactive, and educational stations for all ages.



# Sr. MYF Topgolf

## April Happenings @ Blooming Glen



# Kid's Club Clay and Play!



# Jr. MYF Bake Sale & Service Project

