

Benton Mennonite Church

April 5, 2026

Worship leader: Jerrol Shaum

Song leader: Lyn Buschert

Children's focus: Rich Meyer

Peace prayer: Lorna Troyer

Reader: Gracie Gerig Meyer

Speaker: Pastor Derrick

Easter Sunday

10:25 Prelude & Flowering Cross

10:30 Worship

Welcome

VT 346 Christ the Lord Is Risen Today

VT 361 Christ Who Left His Home in Glory

Readers' Theater: Racing to see Jesus

Call to Worship

Peace Prayer

VT 333 Low in the Grave He Lay

VT 340 Lift Your Glad Voices

Offering

VT 354 Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna!

Children's Focus

Scripture: John 20:1-18

Sermon: He Speaks Your Name

Confession Poem

VT 565 Christ Is Alive and Goes Before Us

Sharing and Prayer

April Birthdays

Introductions and Announcements

VT 357 The Lord Is Risen Indeed (long standing tradition)

Benediction

Next Sunday

❖ 9:30 Bible Study, Rm 105

❖ 9:30 Wired Word, Rm 113

❖ 10:30am Worship

❖ 12pm fellowship meal

Worship leader: Patty Nofziger

Song leader: Rachel Yoder Penner

Children's focus: John Buschert

Greeters: Mary and Stan Grove

Peace prayer: Jerrol Shaum

Reader: Helene Hoover

Speaker: Kate F-K and Mary G

Sound Tech: Bruce Nofziger

This week

- ❖ **Pastor Derrick** is on vacation April 6-12.
- ❖ **Pastoral Care Concerns** this week should be directed to the Congregation Care Team: Janet Byler & Mary Ann Weber
- ❖ **No Coffee Talk** this week.
- ❖ **Saturday, April 11, 1pm, Easter Egg Hunt**

Upcoming events

- ❖ **Saturday, April 18, 8:30-11:30am, church workday**

Announcements

- ❖ Please invite friends and family to bring their children to our annual Egg Hunt, April 11, 1pm. Let Donna know how many can come. Money donations for the eggs are also welcome.
- ❖ Talk to Cas Byler if you have interest in being involved in a Benton Circle of Care group.
- ❖ A thank you note from Susana Stinson is on the bulletin board.

Offering report for March 2026

Received: \$10,564

Expected: \$14,270

Difference: **(\$3,706)**

YTD received: \$32,226

YTD expected: \$37,102

Difference: **(\$4,876)**

Sharing Fund Balance: \$3,266

Thank you for your continuing support of the work of the church. You can bring offerings to in-person worship, send checks to the church office, authorize automatic payments from your account, or use the donate button on the website.

Attendance for Sunday, March 29

Total: 46 Visitors: 4

Send bulletin information to bentonmennooffice@gmail.com
All information is due by Wednesday pm.

Staff days for this week

Derrick Ramer: On Vacation
Patty Nofziger: Monday & Thursday

Welcome Statement

Believing that the image of God is found in every person, we commit ourselves to welcoming people of any age, ethnicity, race, gender identity, sexual orientation, citizenship status, and ability as full participants in our congregational life. This commitment means increasing our awareness of power and privilege as we stretch ourselves to become more inclusive and loving in all our relationships.

*Relying on the Spirit,
we will love as Jesus loves,
pursuing God's peace
at the river and
at the table.*



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