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Recognizing Jesus

Unified Budget Monthly Income Needed **\$18,228.33** (\$4,206.54 per week)

March Receipts \$30,803.24 (avg. \$6,106.65)

March Disbursements \$20,388.36

YTD Receipts \$61,125.20

YTD Disbursements \$58,493.42

2026 Budget Total **\$218,740**

March **Surplus** **\$10,414.88**

YTD Budget **Surplus** **\$2,631.78**

*Respectfully submitted,
Patricia Bevan, Treasurer*

WEST SWAMP MENNONITE CHURCH

Sunday Worship

April 19, 2026

10:30 A.M.

Prelude Hymn to Peace ~ *David Paxton*
O Lord, You're Beautiful *with* Fairest Lord Jesus
I've Just Seen Jesus ~ *Gaither, arr. Fred Bock*

We Gather around God's Word

Opening Song Open the eyes of my heart

Welcome & Prayer

Greeting One Another

Praising Come, people of the Risen King
Christ who left his home in glory #283
Man of sorrows #258

Scripture Psalm 11

Offering Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus ~ *Marianne Kim*

We Hear God's Word

Scripture Luke 24:13-35

Sermon Recognizing Jesus *Pastor Michael*

We Respond to God's Word

Song Who are these

Sharing & Prayer

Sending We will walk with God

Benediction

Postlude Hallelujah! What a Savior! ~ *arr. Victor Labenske*

This Sunday

Worship Leader: Emily Rush
Greeters: Don & Nancy Jacobs
Pianist: Joan Hallman
Musicians: Brenda Landt, Lynne Rush
Videographer: Mark Kemmerer, Rod Rush
Visual Technicians: Marsha High, Emily Rush
Sound Technicians: Carl Raub, Rod Rush, Tim Scheetz

Sunday School Classes for Spring Quarter

The TLC class, 9:30 am, Fellowship Hall: The Sermon on the Mount
The Bible Project class, 8:45 am, on Zoom: Leviticus

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Ministry Team, Carl Raub

Community, Nancy Jacobs

Discipleship (DISCO), *vacant*

Mission, Karen Parzych

Stewardship, Alex Parzych

Worship, Joan Hallman

Church Secretary: Lynne Rush

Treasurer: Pat Bevan

Welcome to West Swamp Mennonite Church

April 19, 2026

*Discovering together how to follow Jesus
and make our community and world a better place*

Calendar

Apr. 19, 12 pm	Sunday Lunch Bunch
Apr. 21, 8 am	Knotting
Apr. 21, 7 pm	Ministry Team
Apr. 28, 8 am	Knotting
Apr. 29, 6:30 pm	Chimin' In Practice
Apr. 29, 7:15 pm	Choir Practice



Notes:

~ *What's Happening at West Swamp* ~

Sunday Lunch Bunch, today: Join the bunch after the worship service at Sal's Pizza Randa for lunch and fellowship.

Courage to Enter the Song: Lynne Rush invites you to take part in a four week Bible study by Mennonite Action. (She took a leap of faith and ordered 6 books while they were discounted.) If you are interested in learning how to resist Christian Nationalism and Christian Zionism, while also seeking ways to find rest and renewal, this study is for you. The study would probably be on Monday, Thursday or Friday evenings at her home, and possibly include a simple supper. Let her know this week if you are interested or have questions.

2026 Directory Updates: If you did not get your update packet yet, please let the secretary know. (Don't want to print out more than we need!) If you would like the secretary to update your directory, she is more than happy to do that. If you are behind in your updates, please accept this offer! If you need a new binder, let her know. (**NOTE:** Early packets went out with a typo, so make sure Gretchen Isaak's cell phone number is correct in the Address List: 267-221-5647.)

~ *What's Happening in the Community* ~

All Mosaic Conference congregations are invited to pray for the **Mosaic Women's Annual Gathering** that met on yesterday for a hybrid event. Pray that the message by Pastor Letty Cortes of Centro de Alabanza in Philadelphia takes root in the more than 150 women who gathered for lunch, prayer, and fellowship at eight regional congregation locations. Pray that relationship building continues to grow.

Zion Mennonite invites you to participate in **Heeding God's Call to End Gun Violence**. We honor lives lost by displaying named T-shirts across Zion's property. Installation will take place Apr. 12 at 12 pm. The community walk is Sunday, Apr. 26 at 1: pm, beginning at Zion and continuing to the park, where participants can sign advocacy letters to legislators. The walk concludes at Zwingli Church.

Mark your calendars: Men-O-Lan's **Summerfest** is **May 16**, 9-2, and includes a live auction, kids' games and activities, barrel train rides, an animal show and of course, lots of good food.

Church Office Hours

Pastor Michael: Monday-Thursday, 9-4.

Lynne: Monday-working from home; Tuesday-Thursday, 10-12:30 (usually).