



e-Bulletin

Providing bi-weekly communication for PNMC

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From the PNMC Office



Details are coming together for the 2018 PNMC Annual Meeting in Boise, ID, June 21-23. The Everence Event will be on **Thursday, June 21**, from 9:00am until 4:00pm, followed by the Pastor & Spouse Appreciation Dinner at 6pm. The events planned for **Friday, June 22**, will begin with opening worship at 9am. Raw Tools will present their ministry at 7pm. **Saturday, June 23**, will begin with worship with Glen Guyton at 9:00am, followed by Delegate Sessions in the afternoon. The closing worship service will begin at 3:30pm and conclude at approximately 5:00pm Saturday evening.

PNMC CONGREGATIONS, ORGANIZATIONS & MINISTRIES

Listed chronologically, then alphabetically by organization

Pacific Northwest Mennonite Historical Society

PNMHS has an immediate need for a new volunteer archivist to serve both the Center and the Society. The archivist builds relationships with church and public constituencies and encourages material donations for archival storage. The archivist and volunteers assists researchers, genealogists, historians, and others interested in biographical, family, institutional, and Anabaptist/Mennonite histories. This position is often seen as the face and personality of this historical work. Margaret Shetler has long served in this capacity and now as archivist emeritus no longer carries the tasks but the heart of this work. Michael Barber has served as archivist for the past 2 years, but now he and his wife Rose Marie are relocating to Kansas! Please contact [Pat Hershberger](mailto:Pat.Hershberger@pnmhs.org), 503.510.6642 or visit www.pnmhs.org for more information.

Spring Valley Mennonite Church

After 94 years in the Newport, WA area, SVMC will be disbanding. The congregation is grateful for God's guidance in this difficult decision. They are very thankful for the many contributions made by past and present members and wish to celebrate the church's long heritage. To honor that history, the church will be having a closing ceremony on **June 30, 2018**, at 10:30AM to come together in celebration of God's faithfulness through the years. A catered lunch will follow the service. RSVP to [Bobbie Van de Veer](mailto:Bobbie.Van.de.Veer@pnmc.org), (509) 447-5534.

Mark Your Calendar:

Sunday, April 8, 6:00pm
Valley-Wide Hymn-Sing at Salem Mennonite Church, Salem, OR, *refreshments to follow*

Thursday, April 11-14
CLC Meeting in Landsdale, PA

Friday-Sunday, April 13-15
Mennonite Women's Retreat, *Cultivating Gratitude*, featuring Pastor Megan Ramer of Seattle Mennonite Church at Drift Creek Camp, Lincoln City, OR

Thursday, April 19, 7:00pm
[Bryan Moyer Suderman](#), from AMBS, performs at Albany Mennonite Church, Albany, OR

Friday, April 20
PNMC Board Meeting, Boise, ID

Saturday, April 21
[Idaho Mennonite World Relief Festival](#), College Church of the Nazarene, Nampa, ID

Friday, April 20, 7:00pm-8:45pm;
Saturday, April 21, 9:00am-3:00pm;
Saturday, April 21, 7:00pm

[Reading the Bible with Jesus](#), presented by Bryan Moyer Suderman; evening concert to follow at Zion Mennonite Church, Hubbard, OR

Sunday, April 22, 9:30-12
Sunday School (9:30) and worship (10:45) with Bryan Moyer Suderman at Zion Mennonite Church, Hubbard, OR

NOTE: For those attending coming from a distance to attend the ZMC events, lodging is available at local hotels, or you may contact Zion's church office (503-651-2274) to ask about lodging in a local home. There will also be offerings received to help with the costs of Bryan's travel and ministry. ZMC will seek to provide Spanish translation.

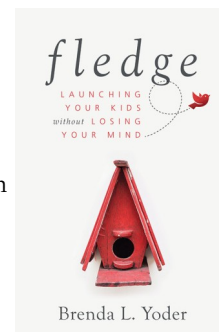


MENNONITE CHURCH USA & OTHER CHURCHWIDE AGENCIES

listed alphabetically by organization

MennoMedia

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Mennonite Church USA

The Mennonite, Inc., welcomes original submissions for the **June 2018** issue focusing on **Costly Discipleship**. When Jesus called people to follow him, he told them to “count the cost” (Luke 14:25-33), and when foretelling his death and resurrection, he told his disciples, “If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me” (Mark 8:34). The term “costly” can have a different meaning for people from different contexts. Someone in a privileged position may choose to face a cost out of commitment to their faith. A person who is oppressed may be paying a cost without having a choice in the matter.

Submissions may consider these and other prompts/questions related to the theme:

- How does our understanding of God impact the way we follow Jesus in our current sociopolitical and economic context?
- How has being a disciple of Jesus led you to face adversity or challenges?
- Who is someone who inspires you to bear witness to your faith at great cost? Tell us a story about that person, with their permission, and what you've learned from them.
- What is one way your congregation is attempting to live faithfully as a discipleship community?
- How can Anabaptist-Mennonites more fully bear witness to God's shalom in our world today?

Submissions are due to Editor@TheMennonite.org no later than **April 16, 2018**. Review the [full editorial guidelines here](#).

The Gathering Place

The [Gathering Live 2018](#) will take place on **May 4-6** in Kansas City with the theme “Encountering God: Faith that Matters.” The gathering is for youth ministry leaders and anyone interested in faith formation, including youth ministry teams, pastors, educators, camp workers, sponsors, youth workers and faith formation leaders. “One of our primary tasks as youth ministry leaders is to help the next generation respond to their encounters with God,” said John Stoltzfus, youth minister for Franconia Mennonite Conference and part of the planning team for The Gathering Live 2018. “At the gathering we will look at how we can nurture a consequential lifelong faith that takes on the shape of the life of Christ in us and our youth.” Each session will include teaching, storytelling from congregational ministry contexts and group discussion about practical application. Input sessions will be based on Kenda Creasy Dean's book *Almost Christian: What the Faith of Our Teenagers is Telling the American Church*.

[\(Read full article here.\)](#)

Mennonite Disaster Service



There are many capacities in which individuals, families and groups can serve through MDS. Check [this listing](#) for both short and long-term volunteer positions. Meanwhile, the local team of MDS Volunteers continues to be active. To date, \$29,695 has been raised for the Oregon Unit Tool Trailer. It is estimated that about \$10,855.82 has been spent to purchase the trailer, to license the trailer through Oregon DMV, to install the graphics, and to build the interior storage shelves and cabinet. The first draft of the tool inventory suggested by MDS bi-national totals about \$25,049.56 leaving a balance to be raised of \$6,210.38.

Upcoming e-Bulletins:

April 16 (submissions due by 4/9)
May 7 (submissions due by 3/30)
May 21 (submissions due by 5/14)
June 24 (submissions due by 5/28)

If you would like to contribute, please send a brief announcement in Spanish & English with website links to brenda@pnmc.org. Our goal is to provide a valuable resource, not an In-Box jammer. If space is tight, we may omit announcements that are not as pertinent to PNMC. Announcements will run ONE time only, unless specified otherwise. We welcome your feedback!

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