

Conference Calendar

FEB

- 17-19 Jr. High Retreat, Camp Luz, Kidron
- 21 Ohio Conference Winter Read, online
- 28 Ohio Conference Winter Read, online

MAR

- 3-4 Annual Conference Assembly, Central Christian School, Kidron
- 14 Open Arms Hispanic Ministry Fundraising Dinner, Dutch Kitchen, Dalton

APR

- 14-16 Men's Retreat, Camp Luz, Kidron
- 15 Missional Workshop, St. Francis Spirituality Center, Tiffin
- 21-22 Ohio MCC Comforter Bash, Kidron Community Park, Kidron

JUL

- 3-6 MennoCon23, Mennonite Church USA convention, Kansas City, Missouri
- 7-8 Ohio Mennonite Relief Sale, Mount Hope Event Center, Millersburg

NOV

- 10-12 Pastor-Spouse Retreat, Deer Creek State Park Lodge, Mt. Sterling, Ohio

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You're invited: Help cover ACA in prayer

Ohio Conference's Annual Conference Assembly (ACA) is quickly approaching on March 3-4, 2023. **Even if you are not attending ACA, you can still participate! We invite you to sign up to help cover all of ACA in prayer.**

We are looking for willing individuals to commit to praying 20 minutes during the ACA weekend. You can do this from anywhere – your couch, your church, your office, even while on a walk. If you live close to Central Christian School in Kidron, we invite you to come and pray in the ACA prayer room (Room M20) at the school.

Whether you are young or old, near or far, join us in inviting the Lord's Spirit to guide the leaders and dele-



gates as they engage in worshipful work.

Go to <https://bit.ly/2023ACAPrayerSignup> to sign up for a time slot. If a slot is already full, please sign up for a different time. You may also sign up by contacting Judy King in the Conference office at ohmc@zoominternet.net or 330-857-5421.

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2023 Lent at Home guide now available

ELKHART, Indiana (Mennonite Education Agency) — "Created in the Image of God, Shaped By Jesus" is the theme of the Lent at Home 2023 worship guide, now available for free at the Mennonite Education Agency (MEA) website: <https://bit.ly/2023LentatHome>.

Using the theme developed for *Leader* magazine, the guide weaves weekly and daily Scriptures with worship rituals, prayers, activities, and background information to help individuals and households of all ages prepare for the season of Lent.

This guide is available both in English and in Spanish.

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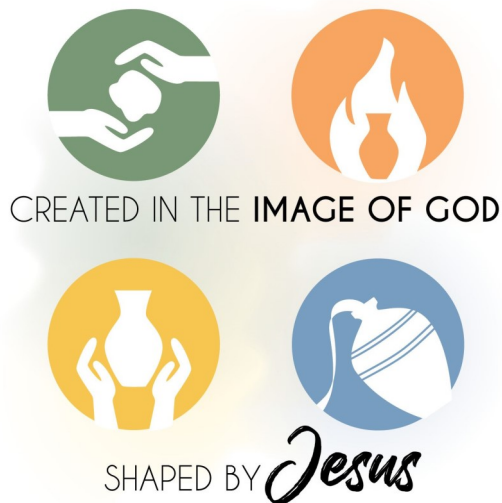
Early Childhood Network, and developed past editions of Advent at Home and Lent at Home.

"This year's Lenten journey calls us to discover our best human selves," she said. "Our at-home resource includes daily prompts to aid in that discovery, as well as a weekly ritual. But I think the part I'm most excited about is what we're calling "Human Time." It's

a weekly call to get in touch with your humanity, whether that's in caring for your human needs, noticing the things that make you human, or discovering your in-the-image-of-God humanity through your

senses. I hope people of every age find ways to explore being human this year — in all its joy and pain and quirkiness!"

Artist Erin Ramer from Parnell, Iowa, designed and illustrated the guide. She is a graduate of Bethany Christian Schools and Goshen College. A freelance graphic designer, she also manages her local MCC Thrift Store, Crowded Closet, in Iowa City, Iowa.



EMU Chambers Singers to tour Ohio



The Eastern Mennonite University Chamber Singers will be performing in Ohio and Indiana during the group's Spring Tour 2023.

The Eastern Mennonite University Chamber Singers is an auditioned touring chamber choir now in its 44th year. The theme of this year's program is "Local and Global: songs of peace and justice." The group will feature styles and composers from the Shenandoah Valley, as well as a variety of others from around the world to look at aspects of peace and justice.

The group will sing at numerous locations throughout Ohio:

- Saturday, March 4 — Concert at First Mennonite Church in Canton, 6:30 p.m.
- Sunday, March 5 — Worship service at Berlin Mennonite Church, 10 a.m.

- Sunday, March 5 — Concert at Millersburg Mennonite Church, 6:30 p.m.
- Monday, March 6 — Chapel and choir classes at Central Christian School in Kidron
- Monday, March 6 — Concert at Huber Mennonite Church in New Carlisle, 7:30 p.m.
- Thursday, March 9 — Concert at Zion Mennonite Church in Archbold, 7 p.m.
- Friday, March 10 — Concert at First Mennonite Church in Bluffton, 6:30 p.m.

Programs are free of charge, and a love offering will be taken to support the choir's travel expenses, as they are also touring Mennonite churches in the Netherlands and Germany in May. To download a poster with all the Ohio and Indiana concert dates, go to <https://bit.ly/2023EMUChamberSingers>.