

Allentown Mennonite Church



Who We Are

An Introduction to What We
Believe and Teach

Allentown Mennonite Church is located on the corner of
7th & St. John Streets, Allentown, PA

We at Allentown Mennonite Church are glad to have met you. We invite you to worship God with us. We want you to be relaxed about who we are and what we believe.

We want what God wants. He wants everyone everywhere to repent and come to Jesus for salvation. He wants their beings to become temples of the Holy Spirit. He and we want them to break the chains of bondage that have bound their fathers for many generations. Yes, we want to be their friends; but more than that we desire to become their mentors, leading them in following Christ.

The Mennonite church was founded about 1530 in Germany and Holland by several Christian leaders who took a literal interpretation of the Holy Scriptures. They separated themselves from the state church which they believed upheld practices which were not according to the teachings of Christ and the early Church. Although the Mennonite church was founded by several pastors, the governors of the Netherlands eventually recognized Menno Simons as the leader of this group of believers, and thus they came to be called Mennonites.

We, as Mennonites, are followers of Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God. We believe in the Holy Trinity: God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit. These three form the Holy Trinity of one God.

We use the Authorized King James Version of the Bible. If you do not have a copy of the King James Bible, we will provide one for you to use during the services or classes.

We believe that the New Testament is the teaching for the church today. The Old Testament is the record of how people related to God before Jesus came to earth. In the Old Testament we find many examples of how people lived a life that was pleasing or displeasing to God. Although we acknowledge the value of the Ten Commandments and of the

moral code of the Old Testament today, the New Testament is the rule of life for the Christian in our day.

We believe that the Christian life is begun by repenting of all sin, accepting Jesus as Savior and Lord, and following the example of the holy life of Jesus. When a person shows evidence of having experienced this conversion, he may be baptized into the church as a member to show that God has changed his life through the power of the Holy Spirit.

We uphold a literal interpretation of the Scriptures. For one example, when you see ladies who are members of our church, you will notice that they wear a veiling on their heads. They choose to do this in obedience to 1 Corinthians 11:1-16 which teaches that a Christian woman is to have her head covered when she prays or prophesies (teaches). Our sisters want to be ready to pray or teach about Jesus at any time, therefore they wear their veiling at all times.

We believe that Jesus is the Prince of Peace. He taught his disciples to love not only their friends, but also their enemies. Therefore we uphold the Bible teaching of returning good for evil rather than retaliating.

We believe that God authorizes government to protect and direct its citizens. We are to pray for our civil leaders, obey the laws they establish, and to pay our taxes. We are to honor civil leaders in our thoughts and with our words.

We hope that you will enjoy worshipping with us. If you have questions about our beliefs or practices, we will be glad to give you an answer. Our desire is that our lives and practices demonstrate the principles found in the pages of God's Word, the Bible.

The Allentown Mennonite Church is located on the corner of 7th and St. John Streets near the Good Shepherd Home in South Allentown.

We invite you to come and worship with us. Find God's will for your life. Learn more of Jesus. We will provide free transportation to services for anyone living in Allentown beyond three blocks of the church.

We care about you. We will be available for personal spiritual counseling 24 hours per day 7 days per week. We provide the following services.

SUNDAY MORNING

Worship Service - 9:30-10:45 a.m.

All are welcome.

We ask that an adult is responsible for any child attending the Sunday morning worship services.

Sunday School Hour - 10:45-11:40 a.m.

Classes for children and adults.

TUESDAY EVENING

Adult Bible Study or Prayer Meeting - 7:00-8:00 p.m.

All are welcome.

Parents may bring children along.

THURSDAY EVENING

Bible Discovery Class - 7:00-8:00 p.m.

~Classes for Children~

All children are welcome. (*Ages 4 & up.*)

Parents must bring children that are not along an existing van or bus route.



JESUS
is our only
WAY
to
GOD.

Jesus said,
“...I am the **WAY**,
the **TRUTH**,
and the **LIFE**:
no man cometh unto the Father,
but by me”

(John 14:6).

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