



# Newsletter

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## Give Thanks with Ap- sento Alto November 18

Apostento Alto Iglesia Menonita invites members and friends of Mennonite Church of the Servant to celebrate Thanksgiving on Sunday, November 25, at the Minisa Park building, 704 W 13th St N. The worship service will begin at 4:00 p.m., followed by a potluck meal.

## Bethel College Hosts Speaker on the Old Tes- tament and Migration

Safwat Marzouk, PhD, Associate Professor of Old Testament/ Hebrew Bible at Anabaptist Men- nonite Biblical Seminary, will present Bible Lectures at Bethel College, North Newton, KS, Nov 4-5.

On Sun., Nov 4, at 7:30 pm, he will speak on "Migration in the Joseph Narrative: Integration, Separation and Transnationali- ty." (see more on p. 2)



Reminder: Daylight Savings Time Ends Sunday morning, November 4. "Fall back" one hour.

## November Worship and Study Themes

### Nov. 4

#### **10:00 a.m.—Worship and Study (Communion): Renewed Commitments— Identity and Context**

Worship Organizer: Geneva  
Discussion Leader: Pat



11:45 Potluck



### Nov. 11

#### **10:00 a.m.—Worship and Study: Renewed Commitments—Follow Jesus**

Worship Organizer: Doug  
Discussion Leader: Jerry

11:45 Bible Study

### Nov. 18

#### **10:00 a.m.—Worship and Study: Renewed Commitments—Witness to God's Peace**

Worship Organizer: Bret  
Discussion Leader: Lois

11:45 Church Life

### Nov. 25

#### **10:00 a.m.—Worship and Study: Renewed Commitments—Experience Transformation**

Worship Organizer: Vangie  
Discussion Leader: Doug

11:45 Bible Study  
12:30 Women's Study Group

**Song of the Month:** "Journeys Ended Journeys Be-  
gun" (refrain), *Servant Songs*,



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takably echoes Trump's characterization of immigrants and refugees.

True, Trump did not pull the trigger in the Pittsburgh synagogue. But is he not, as the most powerful politician in the world, responsible for inciting hatred for immigrants and refugees? Was not Hitler's rhetoric to blame for the 91 Jews murdered on *Kristallnacht* on November 9-10 1938?

We know that "words" create social reality. Words shape values and worldviews. They inspire, motivate, and direct behavior for better or worse.

Little wonder that Jesus said, "I tell you, on the day of judgment men will render account for every careless word they utter; for by your words you will be justified, and by your words you will be condemned."(ESV, Matt 12:36-37).

Jerry Truex

### **Bethel College Speaker (cont'd)**

On Monday, Nov 5, at 11 am he will present a Convocation lecture on "Ethnic Boundary Crossing as a way of Resisting Tyranny and Oppression in Exodus 1-2." (see more on p.2) Both lectures are in Krehbiel Auditorium in the Luyken Fine Arts Center.

For more information about Safwat Marzouk see <https://www.ambs.edu/academics/people/749240/safwat-marzouk>

### **We Will Be Judged By Our Words**

This week, just before Robert Bowers massacred people in the Pittsburgh synagogue, he shouted, "All Jews must die." What was his motivation?

In an on-line posting, Bowers stated that he targeted the Hebrew Tree of Life Synagogue because it sponsored a program to aid immigrants and refugees.

Bowers said the Synagogue "brought in murders to slaughter his people," which unmis-

### **Mennonite World Review and The Mennonite Merger**

If you want to know the facts about the proposed merger of these two church periodicals, see the pdf file on "Frequently Asked Questions" attached to this mailing (text included in the print version of the newsletter). Bret Preheim is MCS' representative to a video conference meeting to make a decision regarding the proposed merger.

### **Christmas Eve Service**

Invite your friends and neighbors to MCS' annual Christmas Eve service of lessons and carols, 7:00 p.m.

## November 2018 Calendar

All events are in the Mennonite Church of the Servant Building unless followed by an \*. To schedule an event, contact Geneva

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Oct 28	29	30	31	Nov 1	2	3 9:30-11:00 Book Study  6:00 Aposento Alto Worship
4 10:00 Worship and Study (Communion)/Children' SS 11:45 Potluck  7:30 Safwat Marzouk, "Migration in the Joseph Narrative:"*	5 11:00 Safwat Marzouk, "Ethnic Boundary Crossing ... Ex. 1-2"	6 1:30pm NT Greek *	7 7:00 Centering Prayer	8	9 <i>Happy Birthday, Lois Barrett!</i>	10 6:00 Aposento Alto Worship
11 10:00 Worship and Study/ Children's SS 11:45 Bible Study	12 7:30 Immigra- tion Servant Group*	13 1:30pm NT Greek *	14 7:00 Centering Prayer 8:00 Church Council	15	16 <i>Happy Birthday, John Stoesz!</i>	17 9:30-11:00 Book Study
18 10:00 Worship and Study/ Children's SS 11:45 Church Life 4:00 Aposento Worship & Pot- luck* <i>Happy Birthday, Adam Cameron!</i>	19 7:00 Shep- herds*	20 1:30pm NT Greek *	21	22 <i>THANKS- GIVING</i>	23	24 6:00 Aposento Alto Worship
25 10:00 Worship and Study/ Children's SS 11:45 Bible Study 12:30 Women's Reading Group	26	27 1:30pm NT Greek *	28 7:00 Centering Prayer	29 7:00 Worship Committee*	30	Dec. 1 9:30-11:00 Book Study 3 6:00 Aposento Alto Worship