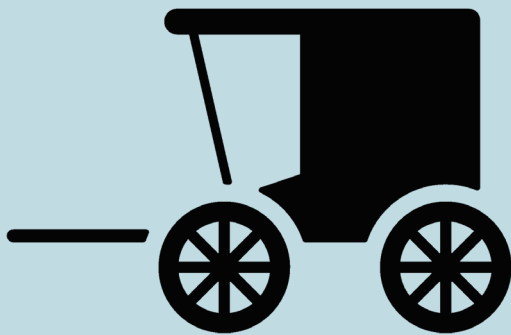
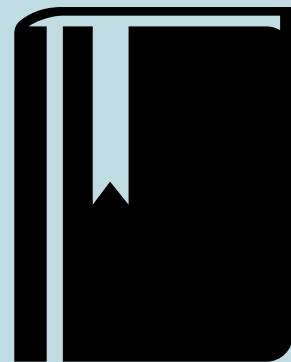


Types of Anabaptists

The Anabaptists emphasize a literal interpretation of the teachings of Jesus, especially the Sermon on the Mount. They practice the teachings of Jesus in daily life, and they give greater importance to the Bible than to civil government. They are some of the earliest supporters of the separation of church and state.

Old Order Amish

The Old Order Amish are the largest group of rural Amish settlements. Old Order Amish communities often prohibit the use of buttons and zippers. They also wear dark colors. The communities regulate hair length, men must grow beards an acceptable length, and women are not allowed to get haircuts. They avoid modern technologies like cars, electricity and tractors.



New Order Amish

Similar to the Old Order Amish, with slightly relaxed rules governing dress and technology. Colorful clothing is permitted, and men are allowed to trim beards. The communities allow some modern technologies, like telephones and tractors. They are stricter than the Old Order Amish when it comes some practices, like the prohibition of alcohol and tobacco.

Mennonite

In general, Mennonites are more assimilated into mainstream culture. Although some Old Order Mennonite groups use horse-and-buggy transportation, many Mennonites drive cars, wear contemporary clothing, support higher education and use modern technology. More conservative Mennonite groups dress in plain clothing but drive cars, have telephones in their homes, and use electricity from public power lines.

