

**UNIVERSITY MENNONITE CHURCH**  
**Sunday Service September 1, 2019 9:30 am**

**Prelude** – Fidele Lumeya

**Call to worship**

Our God, in the glory of late summer  
we come to worship  
reveling in the beauty of your handiwork.  
Give us insight this morning  
into how the work of our hands  
is part of the work of your hands.  
We join with you in the work of justice,  
Walking humbly with the brokenhearted,  
seeking reconciliation and forgiveness in this fragmented world.  
Fill us with the joy of service this morning.  
Amen.

**Lighting peace lamp:** Scripture of Justice – Deut. 16:19-20

You must not distort justice; you must not show  
partiality...Justice and only justice, you shall pursue.

**Opening hymns**

HWB #226 You are salt for the earth  
HWB #420 Heart with loving heart united

**Scripture of courage:** 1 Cor. 16:13

Keep alert, stand firm in your faith, be courageous, be strong.

**Introduction of visitors**

**Scripture of forgiveness** - Luke 17: 3-4

Be on your guard! If the same person sins against you seven  
times a day, and turns back to you seven times and says, "I  
repent," you must forgive.

**Children's time** - Joel Weidner

**Scripture of reconciliation:** Matt 5:23, 24

So when you are offering your gift at the altar, if you remember  
that your brother or sister has something against you, leave your  
gift there before the altar and go; first be reconciled to your  
brother or sister, and then come and offer your gift.

**Offering**

**Scriptures of inequality:** James 2:1-4, 8

My brothers and sisters, do you with your acts of favoritism  
really believe in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ? For if a  
person with gold rings and in fine clothes comes into your  
assembly, and if a poor person in dirty clothes also comes in,  
and if you take notice of the one wearing the fine clothes  
and say, "Have a seat here, please," while to the one who is  
poor you say, "Stand there," or "Sit at my feet," have you  
not made distinctions among yourselves, and become  
judges with evil thoughts?

You do well if you really fulfill the royal law according to the  
scripture, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself."

**Sermon:** *Moral challenges from three biblical vignettes* by Carl Keener

**Hymn of response** - STJ #87 Put peace into each other's hands

**Sharing** – Kate Heinzl

**Announcements**

**Benediction**

**Sending hymn** – HWB #407 We are people of God's peace

Pastor: Kate Heinzl	Worship Leader: Kate Heinzl
Song Leader: Evelyn Bartsch	Greeter:
Accompanist: Krista Weidner	Ushers: Rodney Brubaker,
Childcare (0-4 years): available in the nursery	Fidele Lumeya, Jim Rosenberger

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**University Mennonite Church's safe-child policy** demonstrates our commitment to the physical safety and the spiritual growth of all our children and youth, ages birth to 18, as well as to our volunteers who care for them. The complete policy is posted in the lobby entrances and in the nursery room.

**To reserve space for your event or meeting in our meetinghouse**, please contact Carolyn Brubaker, 237-6602.

**To participate in the UMC email list, sign up by sending an email to:**  
[university-mennonite-sharing-list+subscribe@googlegroups.com](mailto:university-mennonite-sharing-list+subscribe@googlegroups.com).

**Upcoming Events:** For more details, go to: [www.universitymennonite.org/calendar](http://www.universitymennonite.org/calendar)

### September

Sun 1	Guest speaker – Carl Keener
Wed 4	Leadership team meeting 6:30 pm
Wed 4	Elders meeting 7:30 pm
Fri 6-Sun 8	Camp Hebron
Tue 10	Men's fellowship breakfast (Foxdale) 7 am
Sun 15	Congregational business meeting 11:00 am
Mon 16	Worship committee meeting
Tue 17	3 <sup>rd</sup> Way Collective advisory committee meeting 7 pm
Sun 20	Women's breakfast (Foxdale) 8:30 am
Sun 22	Guest speaker – Rebecca Stoltzfus, Goshen College president
Tue 24	Men's fellowship breakfast (Corner Room) 7 am
Sun 29	Hymn sing during worship 9:30 am

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*Recordings of each worship service are available at*  
<http://www.universitymennonite.org/worship-service-recordings>

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## Announcements

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**Sunday School:** We will have a sermon discussion after today's service. Please consider staying for a cup of coffee and conversation with Carl about the sermon. Children's Sunday school will begin Sunday, September 15, when there will also be a congregational business meeting at 11 am. Both children and adults will have Sunday school from September 22 onwards.

**Through September 22, we'll be collecting items for MCC school kits to be shared with children who need school supplies around the world.** Here's what each school kit includes:

- 4 spiral or perforated-pages notebooks (8.5 in x 10.5 in and 70 sheets)
- 8 new unsharpened pencils (plain yellow or neutral designs)
- 1 ruler (flat, good quality; must indicate 30 cm; inch markings optional)
- 12 colored pencils (in packaging)
- 1 large eraser
- 2 new black or blue ballpoint pens
- 1 small **all-metal** pencil sharpener, 1 or 2 holes (plastic not accepted)

**Don't forget to sign up for the Camp Hebron annual retreat on September 6-8** if you plan to attend. Sign-up sheets are on the bulletin board by the nursery.

### 3rd Way Collective Highlights

We had a great first week of the semester! On Monday at 8 pm we have our first pub night of the semester - this time at Federal Taphouse to try a downtown location. We will also be present at Wednesday's LGBTQ+ Welcome Reception at 4:30 pm, and will be attending UMC's fall retreat next weekend. And we recently created a Justice-Minded Prayer Walk that can be found at our website.

If you would like to help this semester by hosting a home cooked meal, joining us for a pub night, or helping to plan or coordinate some other event or activity, please contact Ben directly!

For our full schedule and to find out how to support this ministry, please visit [3rdWayCollective.org](http://3rdWayCollective.org) or contact [ben@3rdwaycollective.org](mailto:ben@3rdwaycollective.org).

**Backup Bulletin Coordinator Needed** – We need a backup bulletin coordinator to fill in when Joel and Krista are out of town. This is a paid position that requires about 1 ½ hours per week. The job consists of typing updated bulletin information into a Word document, printing the bulletin and announcements, and copying and folding bulletins on the church printer. A substitute is needed to produce the September 22 and 29 bulletins. If you can help with this occasional job, let Joel know ([joelpsu82@outlook.com](mailto:joelpsu82@outlook.com), 814.777.4494). Training will be provided.