

UNIVERSITY MENNONITE CHURCH

Sunday Service September 3, 2017 9:30 am

Greeters: Karl & Evelyn Bartsch	Worship Leader: Karen Rath
Pastor: Marv Friesen	Song Leader: Evelyn Bartsch
Hosts: Krista & Joel Weidner	Ushers: Nel Kopp, Rodney Brubaker, and Jim Pierce
Childcare (0-4 years): available in the nursery	

Prelude – Becky Kephart

Call to Worship – Psalm 46

Lighting the Peace Lamp – insert

Gathering Hymns

HWB 12, “Come, let us all unite to sing”

HWB 226, “You are salt for the earth”

Welcome of Visitors

Children’s Time – Esther Prins

Prayer of Confession – insert

Offering & Dedication of our Time Keepers

Offertory Hymn – HWB 389, “Take my life”

Scripture Reading

Isaiah 51:1-6 (p. 594); Matthew 20:20-28 (p. 801)

Sermon – Marv Friesen, “Following the Compass”

Hymn of Response – STJ 96, “I’m pressing on the upward way”

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Announcements

Benediction

Sending Hymn – STJ 95, “I want to walk as a child of the light”

No Sunday School for the summer

Prayer Requests

MMN: Janie and Neal Blough of Mennonite Mission Network have committed most of their adult lives to ministry in France. Pray for them as they continue to share the good news of Jesus through lectures, workshops, and in worshiping with their multicultural congregation, a visible witness to the “healing of the nations.”

MDS: Pray for all who have been affected by Hurricane Harvey, that they find safety and strength for all they need to endure. Pray also for the relief workers and all who are helping in the many ways that are needed during such a disaster.

Church Information: www.universitymennonite.org

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Submissions for bulletin or email announcements: umcbulletin@yahoo.com

DEADLINE FOR BULLETIN INCLUSION: Thursday, 12:00 noon

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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 at** university-mennonite-sharing-list+subscribe@googlegroups.com.

Upcoming Events: For more details, go to www.universitymennonite.org/calendar

September

Wed 6 Leadership Team Meeting 6:30 pm

Wed 6 Elders Meeting 7:30 pm

Fri 8 – Sun 10 Camp Hebron Retreat

Tue 12 Men’s Fellowship Breakfast 7:00 am

Tue 12 Student Ministry Advisory Committee 7:30 pm

Thu 21 Worship Committee Meeting 7:00 pm

Tue 26 Men’s Fellowship Breakfast 7:00 am

October

Wed 4 Leadership Team Meeting 6:30 pm

Wed 4 Elders Meeting 7:30 pm

Sun 8 Community Café 5:00 pm

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

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, we come before you confessing that we do not always use our time as wisely as we should. So often we are over-scheduled, trying to juggle work and family and service and recreation and social media and more, leaving us feeling exhausted and distracted and burdened. Forgive us for not taking the time to put you first, and for not allowing your Spirit to guide us in how we use our time. Help us to know what is most important, what you call each one of us to do each day of our lives. At this time near the beginning of another school year and church year, we ask you to help us to do better at finding balance, and in knowing and following your will. We thank you for your abundant and steadfast love, and for always giving us another chance. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

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3rd Way Collective Highlights

This week our weekly meal will be on Wednesday evening at 6pm at Qdoba on College Ave, with a visitor from the Teach for America program! We encourage you to connect with the Labor Day Picnic at Old Main on Monday around noon, the Standing at the Gates for Justice vigil at the Allen St. Gates on Monday at 4pm, as well as a panel on the Charlottesville events on Tuesday evening at 6pm in Foster Auditorium.

For our full schedule and to find out how to support this ministry please visit [3rdWayCollective.org](http://www.3rdwaycollective.org) or contact ben@3rdwaycollective.org. A reflection is posted each month at <http://www.3rdwaycollective.org/category/blog/>

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