

**UNIVERSITY MENNONITE CHURCH**  
**Sunday Service February 16, 2020**  
Bluegrass Sunday

Prelude – Bluegrass Band (Mike Bratt, Micah Spicher Schonberg,  
Kent Gustavson)

Call to worship – Wayfaring Stranger, Sally Minnich, violin

Scripture - Matthew 5: 13-16

Lighting of peace lamp

Congregational singing

Scripture - Matthew 5:43-48

Children's time with Meredith Wideman. Children are invited  
forward while the congregation sings HWB 20, Come and see

Scripture - Matthew 5:38-42

Offering - Sister Song

Scripture - Matthew 5:22-24

Confession

**All: Holy God, Creator of all that is, Giver of Life:  
Hear our prayer.**

**There are chasms in our lives, deep valleys that separate us  
from one another and from You.**

**We confess that we have allowed those rifts to grow,  
for fear of admitting our part in the separation,  
for fear of being rejected when we reach out.**

*Silence*

Leader: You call us to a reconciled life, to healed relationships,  
to a wholeness with each other and with You.

**All: Mend us, we pray, and make us new creations  
Through the power and love of Christ. Amen.**

Communion

All are welcome at the table who hunger and seek for Christ.  
We offer grapes for any who desire a blessing in lieu of the  
bread and cup.

Communion elements are gluten free.

Sharing – Joel Weidner

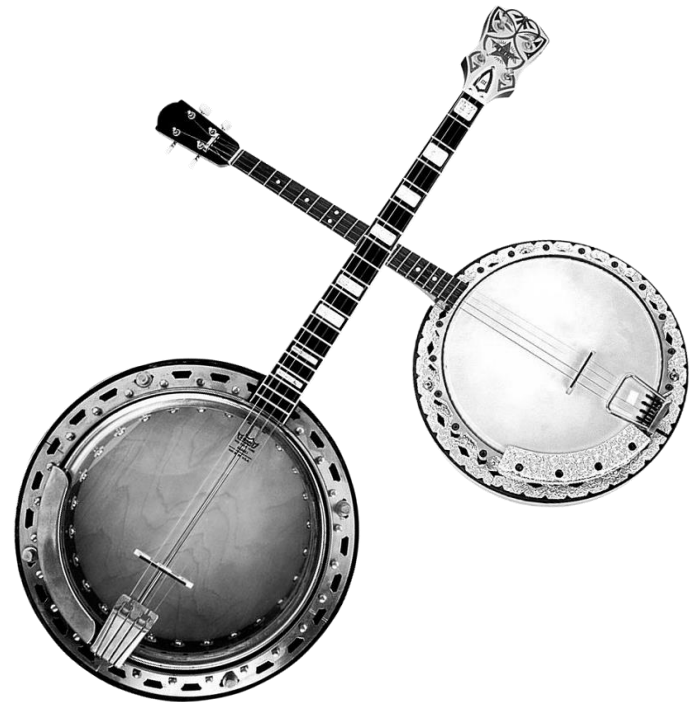
Special music

Welcome of visitors

Announcements

Benediction

Sending music



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| Pastor: Kate Heinzel                     | Greeter: Nel Kopp             |
| Ushers: Rodney Brubaker, Jim Rosenberger | Accompanist: Meredith Wideman |

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**DEADLINE FOR BULLETIN INCLUSION:** Fridays at 7 am

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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)

#### February

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| Feb 23 | Congregational meeting, 11 am                  |
| Feb 25 | Men's fellowship breakfast, Corner Room, 7 am  |
| Feb 26 | Ash Wednesday service, 7 pm                    |
| Mar 4  | Elders meeting, 6:30 pm                        |
| Mar 8  | Fellowship meal, noon                          |
| Mar 10 | Men's fellowship breakfast, Foxdale, 7 am      |
| Mar 16 | Out of the Cold Fund Raiser, Penn Stater, 6 pm |
| Mar 20 | Women's fellowship breakfast, Foxdale, 8:30 am |
| Mar 21 | Singing and song leading workshop, 2 pm        |
| Mar 24 | Men's fellowship breakfast, Corner Room, 7 am  |
| Apr 1  | Elders meeting, 6:30 pm                        |

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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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We will have a **congregational meeting** beginning at 11 today in the sanctuary.

**Open "Outside the Office" hours** - Kate will be at Good Day Cafe (286 W. Hamilton Ave.) on Tuesdays from 2-4, as a way of being available for conversation outside the church building. Stop by with questions, thoughts, or just to hang out together.

Join us for a brief **Ash Wednesday service this Wednesday, 2/26**, at 7 pm here in our sanctuary. As we enter into this season of Lent this is an opportunity to spend some time acknowledging our humanity and need for God's grace on the journey.

**3<sup>rd</sup> Way Collective** - Join us this week for our next home cooked meal, this time at Pastor Kate's house on Tuesday night at 6 pm. We will be enjoying Ethiopian food prepared by Etayehu! Last week's scheduled Thursday Theater event was postponed for a week, which means this week it will happen at Houseasaurus on Thursday at 6:30 pm! We'll be viewing *Awake: A Dream from Standing Rock*, a powerful film from the indigenous people who protested the pipeline at Standing Rock. We'll also have pizza and conversation. Also consider joining the weekly Standing at the Gates for Justice vigil, every Monday at 4 pm at the Allen Street Gates.

The spring semester is moving along! If you would like to help out 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)

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## Announcements (cont.)

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### **Out of the Cold Fund-Raising Dinner at the Penn Stater, Monday**

**March 16 at 6 pm** - A table for 10 has been reserved for our congregation at the Penn Stater Hotel & Conference Center. The event raises funds for OOTC's general operating budget--staff salaries, day shelter expenses (at the 'old' Meetinghouse), transportation fees, etc. Volunteers will share their experiences about their work with OOTC. A second table will be reserved if needed. Please contact Pastor Kate ([kate@universitymennonite.org](mailto:kate@universitymennonite.org)) if you are interested in attending. A silent auction and cash bar will begin at 5:30 pm.

**Singing and song leading school, March 21, 2-4 pm** - Does your heart start to beat fast from discomfort when we sing in four-part harmony? Would you like to know a little bit more about how to find your pitch when we sing hymns? Would you lead singing if you had a little more know-how and confidence? All are welcome (tell your friends!) to the workshop offered by Marcy Hostetler, an amazing teacher from Lancaster, on Saturday, March 21 from 2-4, here in our sanctuary. More details to follow.

**Mennonite Disaster Service (MDS)** - Last year, 5,569 MDS volunteers served 48,035 days, helping 762 households recover from disaster. Volunteers built 68 new homes, repaired 313 homes, cleaned up 352 properties, and built 5 new bridges. If you would like to be an MDS volunteer for a couple days or a couple weeks, go to <https://mds.mennonite.net/> to see the volunteer opportunities or check with Marvin Hall.

**Mennonite Mission Network (MMN) needs your input.** As a constituent of MMN, your opinion is important to us. We would like to continue creating new content that is valuable to our community of Christ followers. Currently, we are testing the idea of a new podcast. We've created a short survey that will help us know how best to reach our community (you!) and share the most exciting and helpful information. Complete the survey at: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/8WRLQQQ>