UNIVERSITY MENNONITE CHURCH Sunday Service March 1, 2020

Season of Lent, week 1

Prelude – Krista Weidner

Call to Worship – Ruth Tillman

Learning the Lenten Hymn STJ 105 – Faith King

Lighting the Peace Lamp

Hymn STJ 105 Don't be afraid

Children's time with Paul McCormick. Children are called forward while the congregation sings HWB 20 Come and see

Scripture Readings

Selection from Deuteronomy 8

Remember the long way that the Lord your God has led you these forty years in the wilderness, in order to humble you, testing you to know what was in your heart, whether or not you would keep the commandments. God humbled you by letting you hunger, then by feeding you with manna, with which neither you nor your ancestors were acquainted, in order to make you understand that one does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of the Lord. The clothes on your back did not wear out and your feet did not swell these forty years...For the Lord your God is bringing you into a good land, a land with flowing streams, with springs and underground waters welling up in valleys and hills, a land of wheat and barley, of vines and fig trees and pomegranates, a land where you may eat bread without scarcity, where you will lack nothing...Take care that you do not forget the Lord your God...When you have eaten your fill and have built fine houses and live in them, and when your herds and flocks have multiplied, and your silver and gold is multiplied, and all that

you have is multiplied, then do not exalt yourself, forgetting the Lord your God...who led you through the great and terrible wilderness, an arid waste-land with poisonous snakes and scorpions. God made water flow for you from flint rock, and fed you in the wilderness with manna that your ancestors did not know, to humble you and to test you, and in the end to do you good. Do not say to yourself, 'My power and the might of my own hand have gained me this wealth.' But remember the Lord your God...

Mark 1: 12-13

And the Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. He was in the wilderness forty days, tempted by Satan; and he was with the wild beasts; and the angels waited on him.

Hymn STS 49 I will come to you in the silence

Sermon – Signposts in the Wilderness – Kate Heinzel

Meditative response – Listening to Wilderness

Offering

Poem: The Sound of Sunlight by Todd Davis

Sharing – Meredith Wideman

Introduction of Visitors

Announcements

HWB 582 Guide me, O thou great Jehovah

Benediction

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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.*

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

February

- Mar 4 Elders meeting, 6:30 pm Fellowship meal, noon Mar 8 Mar 10 Men's fellowship breakfast, Foxdale, 7 am Mar 16 Out of the Cold Fund Raiser, Penn Stater, 6 pm Mar 21 Singing and song leading workshop, 2 pm Mar 24 Men's fellowship breakfast, Corner Room, 7 am Women's fellowship breakfast, Foxdale, 8:30 am Mar 27 Elders meeting, 6:30 pm Apr 1 Apr 5 Palm Sunday Maundy Thursday service, 7 pm Apr 9
- Apr 12 Easter Sunday, breakfast 8 am, worship 9:30, no Sunday School

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

Announcements

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.

3rd **Way Collective** - This is the final week before students leave for Spring Break. Please keep them in mind as they begin this transition time! Our next Intergenerational Dinner takes place on Tuesday evening at 6 pm at Foxdale Community. Also consider joining the weekly Standing at the Gates for Justice vigil, every Monday at 4 pm at the Allen Street Gates. During the Lent and Easter season we are encouraging our community to walk for peace. Details and connecting points are available at the 3rd Way Collective website.

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 or contact ben@3rdwaycollective.org

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) 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.

The **women's fellowship** breakfast for March will be on Friday, March 27, 8:30 am at Foxdale.

Camp Hebron 2020 – Save the date – Our annual church weekend retreat at Camp Hebron is scheduled for October 16-18. More information will be available in the fall.