

# UNIVERSITY MENNONITE CHURCH

Sunday Service June 19, 9:30 am

Greeter: Elaine Mercer	Worship Leader: Esther Prins
Pastor: Marv Friesen	Song Leader: Evelyn Bartsch
Hosts: Meredith & Ben Wideman	Ushers: Nel Kopp, Rodney Brubaker, and Jim Rosenberger
Childcare (0-4 years): available in the nursery	

## GATHERING

**Prelude** – Mike Bratt

**Call to Worship** (see insert)

**Opening Hymns**

STJ #16, *Praise with joy the world's Creator*

STJ #91, *Like a mother who has borne us*

**Introduction of Visitors**

**Lighting of the Peace Lamp**

**Confession and Assurance of Pardon** (see insert)

## LISTENING TO GOD'S WORD

**Children's Time** – Meredith Wideman

**Hymn** – HWB #616, *Children of the heavenly Father*

**Scripture Readings** – Lumeya family

Galatians 3:23-29 and Luke 9:10-17

**Sermon** – Ben Wideman, “Belong and Believe”

## RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

**Hymn of Response** – HWB #306, *In Christ there is no East or West*

**Offering** – UMC kids

**Sharing of Joys and Concerns** – Tim Derstine

## SENDING FORTH

**Announcements and Celebrations**

**Benediction**

**Sending Hymn** – STJ #32, *If you believe and I believe*

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Sunday School (second hour) – see announcements insert

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## Prayer Requests

**Mennonite Mission Network:** This year, 20 percent of Mennonite Mission Network's Mennonite Voluntary Service workers are serving with agencies to empower refugees and immigrants. These organizations provide food, clothing and housing, and also offer long-term assistance such as language classes, legal referrals, and employment services, and promote structural change through advocacy.

**Mennonite Education Agency:** Quakertown Christian School's Executive Director search continues. Praise God for candidates. May God direct in discernment to His call and right fit for the ministry.

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**Church Information:** [www.universitymennonite.org](http://www.universitymennonite.org)

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Submissions for bulletin or email announcements: [umcbulletin@yahoo.com](mailto: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 [www.universitymennonite.org/mailing-lists](http://www.universitymennonite.org/mailing-lists).

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

June

Sat 25 Picnic in Coburn Park 3:30 pm

Mon 27 Bridge of Hope Board Meeting 7:00 pm

Tue 28 Men's Fellowship Breakfast 7:00 am

July

Wed 6 Elders Meeting 7:00 pm

Sun 10 Outdoor Worship Service in Tussey View Park 10:00 am

Sun 10 Potluck Fellowship Picnic 12:00 pm

Tue 12 Men's Fellowship Breakfast 7:00 am

Tue 12 Sister Song Practice 7:00 pm

Wed 13 Student Ministry Advisory Committee Meeting 7:30 pm

Mon 25 Bridge of Hope Board Meeting 7:00 pm

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Recordings of each worship service are available at  
[universitymennonite.org/worshiprecordings](http://universitymennonite.org/worshiprecordings)

## Call to Worship

Leader: Come, all you whose souls thirst for the living God.

**People: We come in search of help and hope.**

Leader: Come, you who are acquainted with grief or oppression.

**People: We come bearing our doubts, our wounds, and our fears.**

Leader: Come, you who are in need of good news.

**People: We come in search of joy, truth, and light.**

Leader: Come and find refuge in God your rock.

**All: Let us again praise the One who is our help and our hope.**

*~ inspired by Psalm 42 and 43; written by Rev. Heather A. Moody*

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## Announcements, June 19, 2016

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**Sunday School:** There will be Sunday school at 11:10 following the service. There will be adult Sunday school upstairs in the sanctuary, and there will be options for children and youth of all ages in the basement.

### 3rd Way Collective Highlights:

The summer rolls on and we continue to be touched by the amount of students who are looking for meaningful engagement! We had nine students at last week's pub night gathering, and we are looking forward to a home cooked meal on Monday night hosted by Ieva Perkons and Scott Woods in their home! Our hope is to continue to provide connecting opportunities through the summer (home cooked meals, pub nights, and more!) as we plan and prepare for the fall.

Please note - pledge forms are now available in the church foyer to re-commit to our campus ministry! 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). A new monthly reflection will also be posted at <http://www.3rdwaycollective.org/category/blog/>

**SPECIAL JUNE INTERFAITH COFFEE HOUR – Evening of Wednesday, June 22nd, Iftar at the Masjid** – Interfaith friends are invited to join members of the Islamic Society of Central PA for an Iftar dinner at the ISCP mosque (709 Ridge Ave., State College), ending a day of Ramadan fast. **You may plan to arrive about 8:30 pm. A prayer will precede dinner after sunset occurs around 8:47 pm. No RSVP needed.**

## Prayer of Confession (by John Birch)

Leader: Father God, in whose love we live and move,  
we pray for a world crying out to feel loved,  
wanted, cherished and unique.

**People: Heavenly Father, source of all love.**

Leader: We pray for a world torn apart by conflict and war.  
A world that lives uneasily in a climate of fear  
with no clear vision for future days.

**People: Heavenly Father, source of all hope.**

Leader: We pray for a world that thinks less of others than of self.  
A world where divisions between nations, race, religion,  
neighbour and family leads to distrust.

**People: Heavenly Father, source of all peace.**

Leader: We pray for a world that is short on happiness,  
too busy to enjoy this world you have created,  
too preoccupied with living to appreciate life.

**People: Heavenly Father, source of all joy.**

Leader: We pray for a world where spiritual longing is satisfied  
by fashionable notions and temporary solutions  
with no thought for tomorrow.

**People: Heavenly Father, source of our Salvation.**

Leader: We pray for a world that needs to know your love, your hope,  
your peace, your joy and Salvation.  
A world that needs to know it is special, unique  
and is deeply loved by a Heavenly Father.

**All: Amen.**

## Words of Assurance (based on Psalm 103)

Leader: The Lord is like a father to us, compassionate and merciful,  
filled with endless love.  
He is not easily angered, nor does he remain angry forever.  
He doesn't treat us as our sins deserve,  
or punish us as harshly as he could.  
For as high as the heavens are above the earth,  
so strong is his love toward us.  
And as far as the east is from the west,  
So far has he removed our sins from us.  
So be at peace; you are forgiven!

**All: Thanks be to God!**