

UNIVERSITY MENNONITE CHURCH

Sunday Service April 16, 2017 9:30 am

Greeters: Leah & Fidele Lumeya	Worship Leader: Doug Miller
Pastor: Marv Friesen	Song Leader: Rogers McLane
Hosts: Easter Breakfast	Ushers: Nel Kopp, Rodney Brubaker,
Childcare (0-4 years): available in the nursery	and Jim Rosenberger

Easter Sunday – Restore us, O God! We live.

Focus Statement: When our hopes for what will bring life are shattered, we come to the tomb feeling lost, confused, disillusioned, and afraid. But it is precisely there that God meets us—revealed in the mystery of the risen Christ. God, the Author of life, empowers us to live fully and enables us to praise once again. We dance, we sing, we proclaim: Christ is risen! Christ is risen, indeed! Alleluia!

Prelude – Mike Bratt

Call to Worship (back of bulletin)

Hymns of Praise

HWB # 273, “Low in the grave he lay”

HWB #280, “Christ the Lord is risen today”

Confession of Faith (see insert)

Welcome of Visitors

Children’s Time – Meredith Wideman

Special Music: “Easter Anthem” by Wm. Billings

(led by Mark King with Becky Kephart on piano)

Offering

Hymn – HWB #118, “Praise God from whom”

Scripture Reading – Matthew 28:1-10 (p. 811)

Sermon – Marv Friesen, “God Meets Us at the Tomb”

Hymn of Response – HWB #269, “Thine is the glory”

Sharing Joys and Petitions

Announcements

Benediction

Sending Hymn – HWB #265, “Come, ye faithful, raise the strain”

No Sunday School today

Prayer Requests

MMN: We are all called to spread the good news of Easter to our neighbors. Join Mennonite Mission Network’s personnel and partners throughout the United States and in more than 55 countries around the world to proclaim this message of Jesus’ resurrection power over evil and death.

MEA: Happy Easter! Rejoice in the good news of the risen Christ, and celebrate the blessing of new life.

Church Information: www.universitymennonite.org

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Submissions for bulletin or email announcements: umbulletin@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/mailling-lists.

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

April

Thu 20 Worship Committee Meeting 7:00 pm

Tue 25 Men’s Fellowship Breakfast 7:00 am

Wed 26 Fellowship Committee Meeting 7:00 pm

May

Wed 3 Elders Meeting 6:30 pm

Wed 3 Leadership Team Meeting 7:30 pm

Sun 7 Community Café 5:00 pm

Tue 9 Men’s Fellowship Breakfast 7:00 am

Tue 9 Student Ministry Advisory Committee 7:30 pm

Sun 14 Potluck Fellowship Meal 12:00 pm

Thu 17 Worship Committee 7:00 pm

Sun 21 Congregational Business Meeting 6:30 pm

Recordings of each worship service are available at universitymennonite.org/worship_recordings

Announcements, April 16, 2017

Sunday School: There will be no Sunday school today.

3rd Way Collective Highlights

Thanks to all who helped make the Palm Sunday Peace Walk such a wonderful community event! Just one event this week - a home cooked meal at Joyce and Marvin Hall's home on Wednesday at 6pm. There are several community events planned around Earth Day this coming weekend - find something to do and bring your faith-based compassion for our earth to these events!

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

THE TRANSFORMATIVE POWER OF UNSELFISHNESS:

Interfaith Panel Discussion

Is living our lives unselfishly just a nice thing to do or does unselfishness transform and enrich ourselves and others?

Come hear what three faith traditions have to say about the power of unselfishness.

WHERE? First Church of Christ, Scientist - 617 East Hamilton Avenue, State College, PA - OR attend by phone: toll call--1-973-528-00000, at prompt enter code 162749#

WHEN? Thursday, April 27, 7:00-8:30 pm

PANELISTS: Fujiko Signs, Christian Science Practitioner; Rev. Dean Lindsey, State College Presbyterian Church; Rabbi David Ostrich, Congregation Brit Shalom.

The panelists will each talk for 15-20 minutes, followed by Q&A from audience after the entire panel has presented.

Refreshments served after the event.

All are welcome to join in person or by phone.

Confession of Faith

Leader: O living God, who raised Jesus from the dead
we shout your great victory;
we sing hymns of praise!

**People: Even when our hearts are heavy
and our eyes are dimmed by sorrow,
you are faithful.**

**You wipe away all tears
and bring joy in the morning.**

Leader: Teach us, O God, to trust your gracious love,
to rest in your unfailing goodness,
to hope in your true promise,
that we may rejoice all our days
and share the good news:

All: Alleluia! Amen!

Christ is risen! Christ is risen, indeed!

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Support Park Forest Preschool at the South American dinner and concert on **May 5th, 7-9 pm at the Unitarian Universalist building**. Los Tikis will be playing Chilean music and Ten Thousand Villages will be present with a craft table. Tickets are \$20 for adults and \$10 for children. See Joel Weidner (joelpsu82@outlook.com) for tickets.

Volunteer Positions for 2017-18: There are copies of the Volunteer Positions form in the lobby. Please fill one out and put it in Karen Rath's mailbox or email karenrath@gmail.com to indicate what positions you are volunteering for. If you wish to nominate someone, please ask them first.