

UNIVERSITY MENNONITE CHURCH

Sunday Service April 1, 2018 9:30 am

Greeter: Amy Sattler	Worship Leader: Esther Prins
Pastor: In Transition	Song Leader: Faith King
Hosts: Easter Breakfast	Ushers: Nel Kopp, Rodney Brubaker, and Jim Pierce
Childcare (0-4 years): available in the nursery	

Easter Sunday

Focus Statement: *Like Mary, we are so used to something in between me and you that when the stone is rolled away, our expectations keep us from seeing the risen Christ. In his death and resurrection, Jesus has become the between so that there are no more betweens. This nothing between is for all!*

GATHERING

Prelude – Mark and Sally Minnich

Easter Anthem – *The Lord is risen indeed*

Call to Worship (bulletin insert)

Lighting the Peace Lamp

Opening Hymns

HWB #648, *Morning has broken*

HWB #278, *Christ is alive! Let Christians sing*

Welcoming Visitors

Prayer of Confession (bulletin insert)

HEARING GOD'S WORD

Children's Time – Bethany Spicher Schonberg

Scripture Readings – Todd and Nathan Davis: Mark 16:1-8 (p. 829);

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24 (p. 492); 1 Corinthians 15:1-11 (p. 935)

Sermon – “A Modest Gospel,” Taryn Mattice

(Protestant Cooperative Ministry, Cornell University)

RESPONDING

Response Hymn – HWB #614, *In the bulb there is a flower*

Offering – Lily Glenna, Amy McCormick, Ben Spicher Schonberg, and Marten Woods

Offertory – Sister Song, *They crucified my savior*

Sharing of Joys & Concerns

SENDING

Announcements

Benediction

Sending Hymn – HWB #280, *Christ the Lord is risen today*

No Sunday School today

Prayer Requests

MMN: On this Easter Sunday, meditate on the words of Clarence Jordan, co-founder of Koinonia Farm in Georgia (a Mennonite Mission Network SOOP placement): “The good news of the resurrection is not [only] that we shall die and go home to be with [Jesus], but that he has risen and comes home with us, bringing all his hungry, naked, thirsty, sick prisoner brothers [and sisters] with him.”

MEA: Pray for the Zehr Institute at Eastern Mennonite University as they embark on a series of webinars this month and seek to transform a culture of sexual harm through restorative justice.

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

April

Wed 4 Leadership Team Meeting 6:30 pm

Wed 4 Elders Meeting 7:30 pm

Tue 10 Men's Fellowship Breakfast (Foxdale) 7:00 am

Tue 17 Student Ministry Advisory Committee Meeting 7:30 pm

Tue 24 Men's Fellowship Breakfast (Corner Room) 7:00 am

Wed 25 Fellowship Committee Meeting 7:00 pm

Thu 26 Worship Committee Meeting 7:00 pm

Sun 29 Potluck Fellowship Meal 12:00 pm

May

Wed 2 Leadership Team Meeting 6:30 pm

Wed 2 Elders Meeting 7:30 pm

Tue 8 Men's Fellowship Breakfast (Foxdale) 7:00am

Recordings of each worship service are available at

<http://www.universitymennonite.org/worship-service-recordings>

Call to Worship

Leader: Christ our life
You are alive

All: in the beauty of the earth
in the rhythm of the seasons
in the mystery of time and space.
Alleluia.

Leader: Christ our life,
You are alive

All: in the creative possibility
of the dullest conversation
the dreariest task
the most threatening event.
Alleluia.

Leader: Christ our life,
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All: to offer re-creation
to every unhealed hurt
to every deadened place
to every damaged heart.
Alleluia.

Prayer of Confession

O You Who Comes,
who are the hope of the world, give us hope.
Give us hope that beyond the worst the world can do
there is such a best that not even the world can take
from us, hope that none whom you have loved is ever
finally lost, not even to death.

O You Who Died,
in loneliness and pain, suffer to die in us all
that keeps us from you and from each other and from
becoming as good and as brave as we are called to be.
O Lamb of God, forgive us.

O You Who Rose Again,
arise and live within us now, that we may be
your body, and that we may be your feet to walk into
the world's pain, your hands to heal, your heart to break
if need must be, for love of the world. Amen.

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USED BOOKS AVAILABLE:

There is a **table of used books in the UMC library** being offered. These books are worn, do not fit into the library collection, or, are duplicates of existing titles. Many of the books being offered are from the shelves of Roy Brubaker and Marv Friesen, others are from members weeding their personal collections. We would appreciate a small donation to help toward the purchase of new books or supplies used to process library materials. Donations can be placed in the bank on the table. Thank you.

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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/>

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