

# UNIVERSITY MENNONITE CHURCH

Sunday Service April 8, 2018 9:30 am

Greeters: Marvin & Joyce Hall	Worship Leader: Nel Kopp
Pastor: In Transition	Song Leader: Evelyn Bartsch
Hosts: Krista & Joel Weidner	Ushers: Nel Kopp, Rodney Brubaker, and Jim Pierce
Childcare (0-4 years): available in the nursery	

**Prelude** – Krista Weidner

**Lighting the Peace Lamp** – STJ #52, *Jesus, help us live in peace*

**Call to Worship** (back of bulletin)

**Opening Hymns**

STJ #112, *I owe my Lord a morning song*

STJ #3, *Jesus calls us here to meet him*

**Affirming Faith** (back of bulletin) in unison

**Children's Time** – Betty Brockett

**Scripture Reading**

John 20:19-31 (p. 883); 1 John 1:1-2:2 (p. 989)

**Hymn** – HWB #25, *Jesus, stand among us*

**Sermon** – Karen Rath, "I've Looked at God from Both Sides Now"

**Hymn of Response** – HWB #570, *We walk by faith*

**Sharing**

**Offering**

**Joys and Concerns** – Jim Pierce

**Introduction of Visitors**

**Announcements**

**Benediction**

**Sending Hymn** – STS #95, *Jesus has done so much for me*

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Sunday School – see announcements insert

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## Prayer Requests

**MMN:** Mennonite Mission Network requests prayer for Petrus and Yuliana Handoyo and their two sons who are working to grow the church in Cambodia. Pray for Petrus as he pastors a church for Indonesian expatriates and lectures at a university, and for Yuliana as she works with children's learning centers.

**MEA:** The month of April is busy for the Lancaster Mennonite School with middle and high school drama productions, fundraising auctions, pastor breakfast, drop-ins, and grandparent visitation days. Pray that all will be successful and that faculty and students can enjoy these special events while remaining focused on their classes.

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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

Pastor: In Transition

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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](mailto:university-mennonite-sharing-list+subscribe@googlegroups.com).

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

April

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

Tue 17 Student Ministry Advisory Committee Meeting 7:30 pm

Sun 22 Potluck Fellowship Meal 12:00 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

May

Wed 2 Leadership Team Meeting 6:30 pm

Wed 2 Elders Meeting 7:30 pm

Sat 5 & Sun 6 Candidate Weekend

Sun 6 Potluck Fellowship Meal 12:00 pm

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

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

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### Announcements, April 8, 2018

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**Sunday School:** There will be Sunday school at 11:10 following the service. There are classes for children in the basement, and a discussion for adults in the sanctuary.

### 3rd Way Collective Highlights

Campus Pastor Ben is away this week at a Mennonite Campus Minister gathering in Kansas. We hope you connect around these events this week. Join UBBC tonight for a screening of *Armor of Light* - a film about the political and religious discussion around gun violence. On Wednesday evening at 6pm we have a home cooked meal at Karen and Paul Moser's home. We'll also be joining with Muslim students for Free Pizza Friday at 1pm! Also consider attending *Standing at the Gates for Justice* on Monday afternoon at 4pm.

3rd Way Collective is starting a pledging season, asking people beyond University Mennonite Church, to commit to this effort moving forward! Interested persons can pledge at <https://goo.gl/forms/26MoknwxgXdVTagk1>

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 reflection is posted each month at <http://www.3rdwaycollective.org/category/blog/>

### International Guest House Voluntary Service Opportunity:

The practice of hospitality to those who come to us as strangers and leave as friends is at the basis of our faith as Mennonites and Anabaptists. Volunteers at the International Guest House in Washington, D.C. live this teaching of Jesus in their daily interactions with guests from all over the world. The work consists of keeping the household running (cleaning, baking, maintenance, and responding to needs of our guests). The breakfast and evening tea are particularly rewarding times for sharing in relaxed and informal ways. We have a current need for short term volunteers beginning this summer who might serve at least two months. (Training requires at least two weeks). Free room and board and two days off per week to explore the city or surrounding areas. This 50-year-old ministry is under the auspices of Allegheny Mennonite Conference. For information or an application, contact Sara at [volunteer@igh-dc.com](mailto:volunteer@igh-dc.com)

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**April 15 - May 20 will be MCC's My Coins Count during children's time each Sunday.** Our children will be learning about MCC's work around the world and collecting coins to donate to MCC. Please bring your loose change and join us in supporting MCC.

### Fellowship Meals at noon April 22 and May 6: please mark your calendars.

Due to a change of schedule Carlos Romero will visit April 22, followed by a noon fellowship meal. On May 6 we will have a fellowship meal for our pastoral candidate weekend.

### 3rd Way Collective is excited to be joining with a few other student organizations in bringing Ted & Co. back to State College for two performances this spring.

**On Wednesday, April 18th Ted & Co. will be performing Listening for Grace at St. Paul's United Methodist.** In *Listening for Grace*, Ted Swartz uses his distinctive humor and insight to give voice to our fears and hopes when a faith community engages in questions around sexuality and same-sex relationships. Accompanied by Justin Yoder on cello and Phillip Martin on piano, this story comes to life, inviting audiences into one father's journey, a church's struggle and a search for commonality. <https://www.facebook.com/events/186140331988017/>

**On Thursday, April 19th Ted & Co. will be performing their newest show, Discovery: A Comic Lament, hosted at State College Presbyterian Church.** This show is a play about the Doctrine of Discovery, the legal framework that justifies theft of land and oppression of Indigenous Peoples. It finds unexpected humor at the crossroads of justice and land use, offering both comic and challenging glimpses into the absurdity of white settler oppression of Indigenous Peoples and the land we live on. A show about love, and loss, of land, *Discovery* nudges us to question our stories with honesty and integrity. <https://www.facebook.com/events/721416661536412/>

**Both shows will be free, both will be held at 7pm, and students and community members are welcome!**