

Prelude – Mike Bratt.

Welcome and Opening Prayer

Psalm 40: 1-3 (read in unison)

I waited patiently for the Lord;

God inclined to me, and heard my cry.

God brought me up out of the pit of destruction,

out of the miry clay;

The Holy One set my feet upon a rock

making my footsteps firm.

The Lord put a new song in my mouth,

a song of praise to our God;

many will see and fear,

and will trust in the Lord.

Lighting of Peace Lamp

Hymn – HWB 71, “Joyful, joyful, we adore thee”

Offertory – “Morning Has Broken,” Lara and Matt Rooke

Children’s Time – Fran Osseo-Asare

Scripture – Matthew 6:25-26

For this reason I say to you, do not be anxious for your life, as to what you shall eat or what you shall drink; nor for your body, as to what you shall put on. Is not life more than food, and the body than clothing? Look at the birds of the air, that they do not sow, neither do they reap, nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them.

“Hymn” by Reynolds Price

Sermon – Conversation with Poet Todd Davis

Meditative Hymn – STJ 77, “The peace of the earth be with you”

Sharing – Karen Rath

Announcements

Welcome of Visitors

Benediction

Sending Song – HWB 427, “You shall go out with joy”

Hymn

Source of all we hope or dread—
Sheepdog, jackal, rattler, swan—
We hunt your face and long to trust
That your hid mouth will say again
“Let there be light,” a new clear day.

But when we thirst in this dry night,
We drink from hot wells poisoned with
The blood of children. And when we strain
To hear a steady homing beam,
Our ears are balked by stifled moans
And howls of desolation from
The throats of sisters, brothers, wild men
Clawing at the gates for bread.

Even our own feeble hands
Ache to seize the crown you wear
And work our private havoc through
The known and unknown lands of space.

Absolute in flame beyond us—
Seed and source of dark and day—
Maker whom we beg to be
Our mother, father, comrade, mate
Till our few atoms blow to dust
Or form again in wiser lives
Or find your face and hear our names
In your calm voice, the end of dark
If dark may end.

Wellspring, goal
Of dark and day—be here, be now.

- Reynolds Price, *The Use of Fire*



University Mennonite Church

April 28, 2019

Announcements, April 28, 2019

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.

Contribution Pledges Requested – Each year members and attenders of University Mennonite Church are asked to submit anonymous pledges indicating how much financial support they plan to give to the church budget in the coming fiscal year (September through August). The practice of making these commitments follows the Biblical principal of "first fruits giving"—the faithful practice of putting God first in our giving—not waiting to see what is left over after all the bills have been paid. Please put pledge forms in the box in the foyer, or in the mailbox of our treasurer, Jim Rosenberger, or email your pledge to our treasurer at JLR@psu.edu. Pledge forms are due by April 28 and the finance committee will use the pledge amount to draft the church budget for the May 19 business meeting.

3rd Way Collective Highlights

Please keep Penn State students in your prayers this week as they sit for their final exams, and many prepare to graduate. This is a stressful time of year, but there are study spaces available for students this week in the Penn State Libraries, Pasquerilla Spiritual Center, and Abba Java Coffee House Also consider Monday's weekly Standing at the Gates for Justice vigil at 4pm. Thank you for your love and support this semester for all that we have done!

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/>

Carl and Gladys Keener have extra bleeding heart and bergamot plants they want to share. If you are interested in getting some plants, please call (814) 238-7791.

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See a free screening of "Is There a Lesson?", a documentary of John L. Ruth's 45 years of following the trails and trials of the early Anabaptists in Europe. Join the Mennonite Heritage Centre's annual meeting at the **Locust Grove Mennonite Church in Big Valley on May 3 at 7:00 pm.** A freewill offering will be received.

Volunteer forms for the 2019-20 church year are in the foyer. You can fill one out and put it Karen Rath's mailbox or email Karen at karenrath@gmail.com with the position(s) for which you are volunteering. If you want to nominate someone, please ask them first. Please get this information to Karen by May 5.

UMC Calendar

April

- Sun 28 Native Species: Poetry with Todd Davis 4:00 pm
- Mon 29 Worship Committee Meeting 7:00 pm

May

- Wed 1 Meditation Group 8:45 am
- Wed 1 Leadership Team Meeting 6:30 pm
- Wed 1 Elders Meeting 7:30 pm
- Wed 8 Meditation Group 8:45 pm
- Sun 12 Guest Speaker – Susan Schultz Huxman, EMU President
- Sun 12 Potluck Fellowship Meal 12:00 pm
- Tue 14 Men's Fellowship Breakfast (Foxdale) 7:00 am
- Wed 15 Meditation Group 8:45 am
- Fri 17 Women's Breakfast at Foxdale Café 8:30am
- Sun 19 Congregational Business Meeting 6:30 pm
- Tue 21 3rd Way Collective Advisory Committee Meeting 7:00 pm
- Wed 22 Meditation Group 8:45 pm
- Tue 28 Men's Fellowship Breakfast (Corner Room) 7:00 am

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Ushers: Rodney Brubaker, Fidele Lumeya, and Jim Rosenberger	
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MEA: Pray for the Bluffton University's Camerata Singers, Chorale and Jazz Ensemble as they perform their Spring Fling concert this afternoon.

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