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UNIVERSITY MENNONITE CHURCH

Sunday May 17, 2020 Virtual Worship Service

Welcome and intro to Zoom worship service – Ben Wideman

Prelude video - Sister Song One Voice

Call to worship – Kate Heinzel

Praise song for the pandemic

Lighting the peace lamp

Offertory prayer & offertory

Children's time - Esther Prins

Scripture passage - John 14:15-17 - Cathy Bresee

If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees her nor knows her. You know her, because she abides with you, and she will be in you.

Voices of our congregation - Where have you found deep gladness, and how does it manifest?

Sophia Weidner, Paul McCormick, Evelyn Stauffer

Scripture passage - Exodus 3:1-4 - Eric Smith Now Moses was tending the flock of Jethro his father-inlaw, the priest of Midian, and he led the flock to the far side of the wilderness and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. There the angel of the Lord appeared to him in flames of fire from within a bush. Moses saw that though the bush was on fire it did not burn up. So Moses thought, "I will go over and see this strange sight—why the bush does not burn up." When the Lord saw that he had gone over to look, God called to him from within the bush, "Moses! Moses!" And Moses said, "Here I am."

Sermon – Kate Heinzel

Special music response - STS 49 *I will come to you in the silence*

Sharing time – Kate Heinzel

I am with you - performed by Mike Bratt

Announcements/birthdays/introduction of visitors

Benediction:

Brothers and sisters, siblings in Christ-Go in love, For love alone endures. Go in peace, For it is a gift from God. Go with courage, For we cannot go where God is not.

-Adapted from HWB 764

Announcements

Congregational meeting – We will hold a congregational meeting, via Zoom, this morning after a short break at the end of worship. Primary agenda items are affirmation of volunteer positions and approval of a preliminary budget for the new church fiscal year starting in September. We will <u>not</u> hold breakout sessions after worship this morning.

Announcements (cont.)

Financial reports and the proposed draft budget for the next fiscal year (beginning in September), as well as a treasurer's report that provides a summary of the financials, are available on the church website. Please review and feel free to reach out with any questions. Thank you, Jim Rosenberger, treasurer

Wednesday sharing and prayer time - Join us Wednesdays at noon for a time of scripture, prayer, and an opportunity to share more fully with one another. The Zoom meeting link will be distributed via our email list.

3WC updates – Remember graduating seniors who are experiencing an end to their journey at Penn State that is very different from what they expected and for the many who face an uncertain future. Please continue to hold them in your prayers.

For ongoing updates and to find out how to support this ministry please visit <u>3rdWayCollective.org</u> or contact <u>ben@3rdwaycollective.org</u>.

Thanks to everyone who contributed to local charities during Centre Gives this past week. This year, over \$2.1 million was raised for 179 nonprofits in just 36 hours – that's over \$10.3 million total since Centre Gives began in 2012! We certainly live in an awesome, generous community. Thank you for being a part of it! You can read more about the results of Centre Gives <u>here</u>. **Financial struggles?** - As you continue to live into the realities of COVID-19, please let Kate or one of the <u>elders</u> know if you are living with financial uncertainty and could use some help. UMC, in partnership with <u>Everence</u>, has funds available to help those in need.

Staying connected - The elders encourage each person/family in the directory to check in this week with the person/family **SEVEN** entries directly following you in the directory listing. The check-in could be via a phone call, video chat, email, or text. Note, persons near the end of the alphabet would rotate back to the top as needed.

Virtual gatherings - Our UMC Zoom account that we've been using for church and weekly sharing and prayer could also be used for small groups to gather for things like small group meetings, Bible/book studies, craft demonstrations/projects, or lectures (think TED Talks).

If you are interested in leading something, feel free to contact Joel at joelpsu82@outlook.com and he can set up the Zoom meeting for you. He can also provide basic Zoom training on how to screen share.

UMC YouTube channel: Check out our <u>YouTube channel</u> to see our worship services, short meditations by Kate, and more! We will regularly post new content, so consider visiting it regularly to stay connected.

Church Information

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To participate in the UMC email list, sign up by sending an email to: <u>university-mennonite-sharing-list+subscribe@googlegroups.com</u>

Zoom church services are being recorded and published on our YouTube channel