



UNIVERSITY MENNONITE CHURCH

Sunday May 24, 2020 Virtual Worship Service

Welcome and intro to Zoom worship service – Ben Wideman

Prelude – Mike Bratt

Call to worship – Ben Wideman

Congregational reading

Draw Us Forth

Draw us forth, God of all creation. Draw us forward and away from limited certainty into the immense world of your love. Give us the capacity to even for a moment taste the richness of the feast you give us. Give us the peace to live with uncertainty, with questions, with doubts. Help us to experience the resurrection anew with open wonder and an increasing ability to see you in the people of Easter. Amen.

Hymn HWB 12 – *Come, let us all unite to sing*

Lighting the peace lamp – Ben Wideman

Offertory prayer & offertory - Plowshare Produce Kids

Children's time – Ben Wideman

Scripture passage - *John 17:1-11*

After Jesus had spoken these words, he looked up to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed.

“I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one.

Sermon - Kate Heinzl

Special music response - *One*

Sharing time – Kate Heinzl

I am with you - Micah and Bethany Spicher Schonberg

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 our rescheduled 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 not hold breakout sessions after worship this morning.

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 3rdWayCollective.org or contact ben@3rdwaycollective.org.

Announcements (cont.)

Financial struggles? - As you continue to live into the realities of COVID-19, please let Kate or one of the [elders](#) know if you are living with financial uncertainty and could use some help. UMC, in partnership with [Everence](#), 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 **EIGHT** 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 YouTube channel](#) to see our worship services, short meditations by Kate, and more! We will regularly post new content, so stop by regularly to stay connected.

Church Information

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To participate in the UMC email list, sign up by sending an email to:

university-mennonite-sharing-list+subscribe@googlegroups.com

Zoom church services are being recorded and published on our [YouTube channel](#)