



UNIVERSITY MENNONITE CHURCH

Sunday July 19, 2020 Virtual Worship Service

Welcome and intro to Zoom worship – Esther Prins

Prelude video – *Come See the Beauty of the Lord* by Jason Harrod

Call to worship – Esther Prins

Lighting the peace lamp

Confession

Turning

Turn my heart, O Lord, from selfish gain to your commandments.
Turn my eyes from vanity to your life.
Turn away from me the disgrace that bows my head;
in your righteousness give me life.

Turn our faces, Lord, that we might feel your love surround us.
Turn our hands toward others who need your love.
Turn away all fear that divides us in this place;
help us trust your call from above.

Turn our heart, O Lord, to feel your Spirit breathing in us.
Guide our feet to walk in your long embrace.
Turn our lives toward you; lift our hands in constant praise
as we bless, renew, heal and love.

First verse is adapted from Psalm 119:33-40.

Text and music © Deanna Witkowski/Tilapia Tunes (BMI).

Offertory prayer

Offertory – cello by Lily Glenna

Children's time – *Playing Hide and Seek with God*

Scripture – Psalm 139:1-18, read by Rosita Derstine

Sermon – *The Challenges of Psalm 139* - Micah Tillman

Sermon response – *Strong Hand of Love* by Mark Heard

Down peppers the rain from a clear blue sky
Down trickles a tear on a youthful face
Feeling in haste and wondering why
Up struggles the sun from a wounded night
Out venture our hearts from their silent shrouds
Trying to ignite but wondering how

We can laugh and we can cry
And never see the strong hand of love hidden in the shadows
We can dance and we can sigh
And never see the strong hand of love hidden in the shadows

Young dreamers explode like popped balloons
Some kind of emotional rodeo
Learning too slow and acting too soon
Time marches away like a lost platoon
We gracefully age as we feel the weight
Of loving too late and leaving too soon

We can laugh and we can cry
And never see the strong hand of love hidden in the shadows
We can dance and we can sigh
And never see the strong hand of love hidden in the shadows

We can laugh and we can cry
And never see the strong hand of love
Never see the strong hand of love
Never, never see the strong hand of love hidden in the shadows

Sharing time – Leland Glenna

Announcements/birthdays/introduction of visitors

Benediction - Congregational hymn STJ 74 *Now go in peace*

Announcements

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.

Zoom book study on *White Fragility* – Our third session will be on Wednesday, July 22 at 8 pm, on chapters 7-9. Contact Joel Weidner (joelpsu82@outlook.com) if you would like more information about participating.

If you're interested in attending the **mindful meditation sessions** on Monday evenings and Thursday or Friday mornings, contact [Kate](#), as times and dates vary.

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 **SIXTEEN** 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.

Out of the Cold continues to provide shelter and meals for those who experience homelessness in our community. If you're able to help with a meal or to spend time volunteering in the shelter, sign up [here](#).

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

www.universitymennonite.org

1606 Norma St., State College, PA 16801; (814) 234-2039

Pastor: Kate Heinzel

Submissions for bulletin: umcbulletin@yahoo.com

DEADLINE FOR BULLETIN INCLUSION: Fridays at noon (for virtual services)

Pastor: Kate Heinzel kate@universitymennonite.org 717-606-2909

Worship Coordinator: Ben Wideman benwideman@gmail.org 215-859-0037

Elders: Joel Weidner joelpsu82@outlook.com 814-777-4494

Rosita Benner Derstine rderstine@gmail.com 814-360-8789

Leland Glenna lelandglenna@gmail.com 814-769-3313

Meredith Wideman meredith.wideman@gmail.com 626-808-2306

Cong. Chair: Doug Miller dougmillier@psu.edu 814-883-1127

Asst. Chair: Rick Stehouwer rsc15@psu.edu 814-883-3503

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 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](#)