



You shall love the lord your God
with all your heart, and with all
your soul, and with all your mind.

Matthew 22:37

UNIVERSITY MENNONITE CHURCH

Sunday October 25, 2020 Virtual Worship Service

Welcome and intro to Zoom worship – Esther Prins

Prelude video

Call to worship – Esther Prins

In a world that cries out, “Fear me!”
We will listen to Jesus’ words,
“Don’t be afraid!”

In a world that wants us to hate the other,
We will live Jesus’ call to
“Love God. Love your neighbour, as you love yourself.”

In a world that radicalizes...
We, too, will be radical.
Radical with our hospitality.
Radical with our hope.
Radical with our love.

Then come to this place,
ready to be who we are called to be.
Let us gather together
and worship God.

Written by Richard Bott (<http://liturgy.richardbott.com>)

Music – *Love the Lord Your God*

Lighting the peace lamp and confession

Leviticus 19:17-18: You shall not hate in your heart anyone of your kin; you shall reprove your neighbor, or you will incur guilt yourself. You shall not take vengeance or bear a grudge against any of your people, but you shall love your neighbor as yourself: I am the Lord.

Offertory – cello by Lily Glenna

Children's time – Meredith Wideman

Scriptures – Matthew 22:34-40 (Leland Glenna) and
Deuteronomy 6:4-5 (Kate Heinzl)

Sermon – Pastor Kate Heinzl

Sermon response – *Heart with Loving Heart United*
sung by Mike Bratt

Sharing time

Announcements/birthdays/introduction of visitors

Benediction

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.

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.

Announcements (cont.)

Your Offerings Support UMC – Don't forget to support UMC with your financial gifts during this time of remote gatherings. You can make your offering the following ways:

- Mail a check to the church to the attention of our treasurer, 1606 Norma Street, State College PA, 16801
- Set up an automatic payment with your bank (bill pay service)
- Use a service like Zelle

Questions? Contact Jim Rosenberger JLRosenberger@gmail.com

Join us for adult Sunday School (at 11 am) - Sophia and Joel Weidner continue the six-week series on racism.

October 25 - Church Historical Context for Racism – How has the church been both a part of the problem and worked at solutions?

November 1 - White Privilege and White Fragility – Why do we (white folks) find it so hard to recognize and talk about the reality of racism?

November 8 - Current Movement – Protests; riots; calls to defund the police – What's our response?

November 15 - Allyship – What does it mean to be an ally?

November 22 – Next Steps - Where do we go from here?

Interdenominational book study – You're invited to join St. Paul's Open Table, members of Albright-Bethune, and Racial Justice Allies, a State College Interdenominational group as we read and discuss the newest book by Drew Hart, *Who Will Be a Witness: Igniting Activism for God's Justice, Love, and Deliverance*. Zoom meetings will be Monday evenings at 7 pm from October 26 to December 7. RSVP to djph19@outlook.com

Announcements (cont.)

The Cool Congregations Challenge recognizes and rewards faith communities for climate-friendly stewardship of congregational properties, and for inspiring your local community to work for climate justice. Does this sound like us?

If so, tell Interfaith Power and Light about it and enter to win \$1,000 in the 2020 Cool Congregations Challenge, Interfaith Power & Light's annual contest.

Every year, the Challenge gathers inspiring stories of how diverse faith communities are putting the environmental tenets of their religion into action for climate justice. It's amazing to see how religious teachings and ancient wisdom are still relevant and practical today.

Might UMC take on this challenge?

Interfaith Human Services is looking for donations to share with families in need. They welcome beds, dressers, sofas, dining room sets, and appliances. Contact Curt Knouse at 814-234-7731 to schedule a donation.

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.

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 often to stay connected.

Church Information

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Deadline for bulletin inclusion: Fridays at noon (for virtual services)

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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.

Our church maintains a Google Group email list to keep members informed about prayer requests and happenings in the community. Join the email list by sending an email to:

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

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