CHURCH INFORMATION

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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.

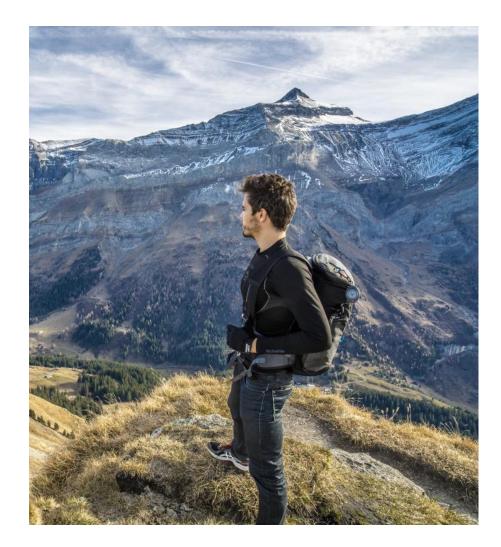
Our church maintains a Google Group email list to keep members informed about prayer requests and happenings in the community. Join the email list by sending an email to:

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

Missed worship? Our church services are being recorded and published on our web site at:

http://www.universitymennonite.org/worship-service-recordingscurrent/

You can also view service videos on our YouTube channel at: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCI94YTnAqH85YbQgBHNBdfw



What are you doing here?

UNIVERSITY MENNONITE CHURCH Sunday August 22, 2021, 10 am ORDER OF WORSHIP

Welcome – Bethany Spicher Schonberg Prelude video – You're not alone, Voices Together 779

Call to worship – Bethany Spicher Schonberg

2 Corinthians 5: 17-20 (NIV) - Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here! All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation: that God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ, not counting people's sins against them. And he has committed to us the message of reconciliation. We are therefore Christ's ambassadors, as though God were making his appeal through us. We implore you on Christ's behalf: Be reconciled to God.

Lighting the peace lamp

Offertory prayer

Special Music - We are people of God's peace (UMC recording)

Confession (read in unison)

Compassionate God, you know the purposes of our hearts and the will of all creation. Hear with mercy our confession that we have not cared for Earth and all creatures as you meant for us to do; we have not cared for one another as you have commanded; we have not loved ourselves with the regard that honors wholeness and peace of mind. Be our guide, our judge, our joy. Show us the way of your life abundant, and turn us always to that path so that we may live and move in renewed commitment to what is just and good. We beg this in Jesus' name. Amen.

Kimberly Bracken Long Ed., Feasting on the Word Worship Companion: Liturgies for Year A, Volume 2, Presbyterian Publishing Corporation.

Voices of the congregation - Marvin Hall

Children's time – Amy Sattler

Scripture - 1 Kings 19:11-19a

The Lord said, 'Go out and stand on the mountain before the Lord, for the Lord Is about to pass by.' Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces before the Lord, but the Lord was not in the wind; and after the wind an earthquake, but the Lord was not in the earthquake; and after the earthquake a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire; and after the fire a sound of sheer silence. When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. Then there came a voice to him that said, 'What are you doing here, Elijah?' He answered, 'I have been very zealous for the Lord, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away.' Then the Lord said to him, 'Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king over Aram. Also you shall anoint Jehu son of Nimshi as king over Israel; and you shall anoint Elisha son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah as prophet in your place. Whoever escapes from the sword of Hazael, Jehu shall kill; and whoever escapes from the sword of Jehu, Elisha shall kill. Yet I will leave seven thousand in Israel, all the knees that have not bowed to Baal, and every mouth that has not kissed him.' So Elijah set out from there.

Sermon – Pastor Kate Heinzel

Sermon Response - HWB 53 - God of the earth, the sea, the sky (performed by Mike Bratt)

Sharing and prayer

Welcome of visitors, birthdays, anniversaries, and announcements 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.

Volunteering at UMC - We are in desperate need of worship leaders and folks to lead children's time. Both roles can be done in-person or by pre-recorded videos. Ben and Kate can help you learn how to navigate hybrid worship. Interested? Have more questions? Reach out to worship committee by emailing <u>here</u>.

LUNCH in the park: Where? The pavilion at Tussey View Park behind the church. **When?** Every Sunday after church starting August 22 - around 11:30 (except for Church Around the Table Sundays). **What to bring?** Your own lunch. **Why?** Just for fun and fellowship! (By the way, it's fine to come for lunch even if you can't come for church.)

Centre House, a shelter for those experiencing homelessness here in Centre County, welcomes home-cooked meals for their guests. Click <u>HERE</u> to sign up.

MCC Update - Upcoming MCC Immigration Law Training

On September 13-17, join MCC and partners for a weeklong immigration law training course that will touch on all areas of immigration law and practice. The course focuses on topics most relevant to those serving and representing low-income immigrants. It will help provide the necessary training for individuals who wish to apply for accreditation from the U.S. Department of Justice. Learn more and register at <u>mcc.org/immigration-law-training</u> or email immigration@mcc.org

Membership at UMC - While membership is not required to be an active and welcomed participant at UMC, it can be an outer sign of an inner commitment to one's faith journey and church commitment. We will be holding a membership class this fall for anyone interested in exploring this step. Let Kate know if you're interested in learning more.

If you're interested in attending the **mindful meditation sessions** on Monday evenings and Thursday or Friday mornings, contact <u>Pastor</u> <u>Kate</u>, as times and dates vary.

Masking protocol – To protect those who are vulnerable, masks should be worn in the building for worship.

Zoom breakout rooms after worship - Those joining us on Zoom for worship will have the opportunity to participate in a 15-minute fellowship time breakout room immediately after worship. If you would like to be part of a breakout room, stick around after worship and you'll be prompted to join a breakout room.

Need help? We are a community with talents, tools, and a willingness to serve each other. If you need some extra help - gathering groceries, doing yard work, etc., let Kate know. There are some here who might be able to lend a hand.

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.

Your offerings support UMC – Don't forget to support UMC with your financial gifts. Offering baskets are by the doors to the sanctuary or 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
- Donate on the church website
- Set up an automatic payment with your bank (bill pay service)
- Use a service like <u>Zelle</u>

Questions? Contact Jim Rosenberger <u>JLRosenberger@gmail.com</u>

Announcements (cont.)