
CHURCH INFORMATION

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Deadline for bulletin inclusion: Thursday end of day

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

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.

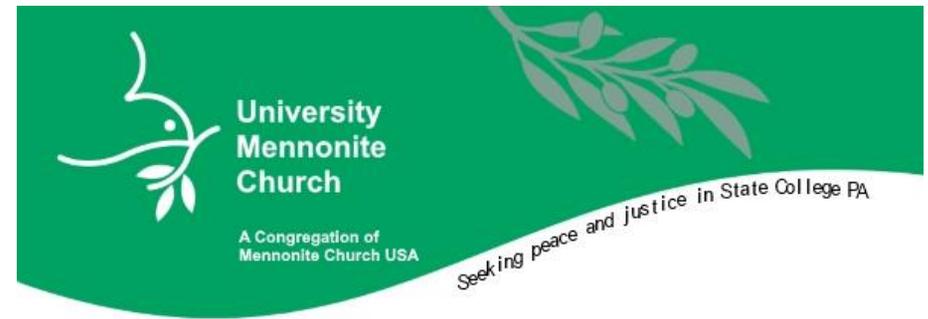
Join the email list by sending an email to:

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

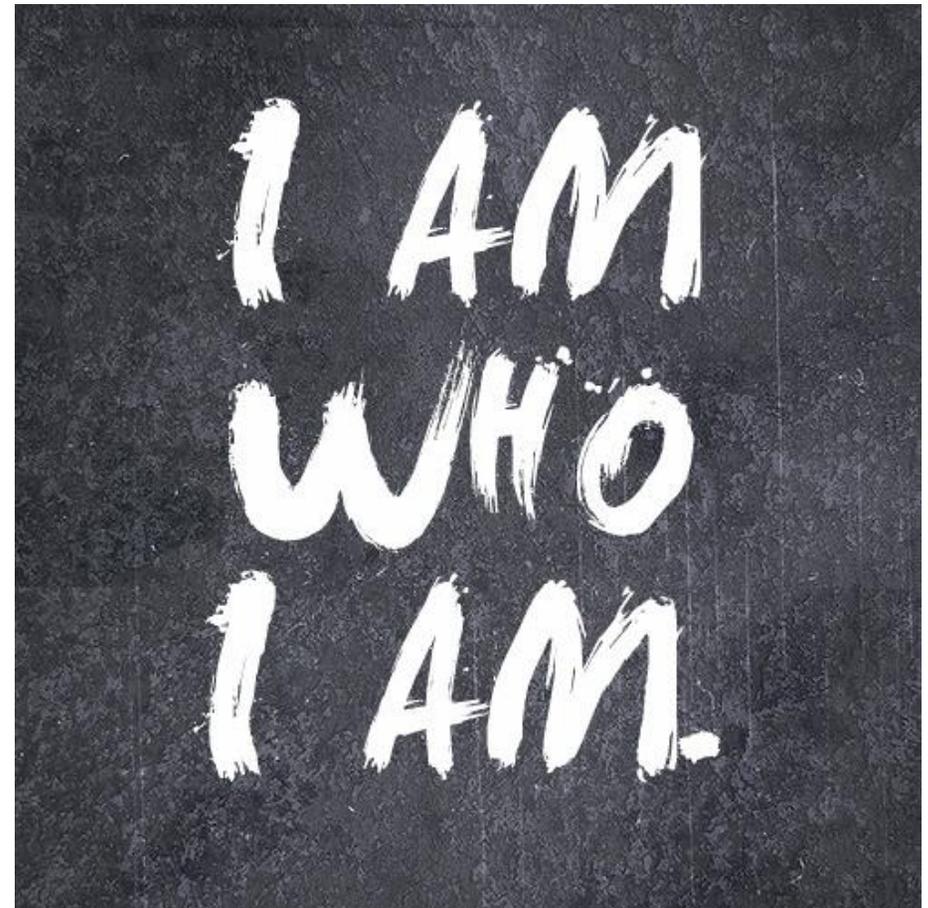
Missed worship? Our church services are being recorded and published on our website at:

<http://www.universitymennonite.org/worship-service-recordings-current/>

Church Wi-Fi information – Connect to **umc**, password **mennosimons**



Sunday Worship
January 30, 2022, 10 am
Zoom Only



ORDER OF WORSHIP

Welcome – Ben Wideman

Prelude – *O Siem* by Susan Aglukark
with greetings from Global Anabaptist Congregations

Call to worship – Pastor Kate Heinzl

Scripture – Psalm 104 read in Bengali

Lighting the peace lamp

Prayer & offertory – *I Want Jesus to Walk with Me*
rendition by Mike Bratt

Children's time – Amy Sattler

Voices of the congregation – Kwadwo Osseo-Asare
What is the story of your name?

Scripture reading – Exodus 3:13-22 read by Rosita Derstine

But Moses said to God, 'If I come to the Israelites and say to them, "The God of your ancestors has sent me to you," and they ask me, "What is his name?" what shall I say to them?' God said to Moses, 'I am who I am.' He said further, 'Thus you shall say to the Israelites, "I am has sent me to you."'" God also said to Moses, 'Thus you shall say to the Israelites, "The Lord, the God of your ancestors, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you": This is my name for ever, and this my title for all generations.

Go and assemble the elders of Israel, and say to them, "The Lord, the God of your ancestors, the God of Abraham, of Isaac, and of Jacob, has appeared to me, saying: I have given heed to you and to what has been done to you in Egypt. I declare that I will bring you up out of the misery of Egypt, to the land of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites, a land flowing with milk and honey." They will listen to your voice; and you and the elders of Israel shall go to the king of Egypt and say to him, "The Lord, the God of the Hebrews, has met with us; let us now go a three days' journey into the wilderness, so that we may sacrifice to the Lord our

God." I know, however, that the king of Egypt will not let you go unless compelled by a mighty hand. So I will stretch out my hand and strike Egypt with all my wonders that I will perform in it; after that he will let you go. I will bring this people into such favor with the Egyptians that, when you go, you will not go empty-handed; each woman shall ask her neighbor and any woman living in the neighbor's house for jewelry of silver and of gold, and clothing, and you shall put them on your sons and on your daughters; and so you shall plunder the Egyptians.'

Sermon – Rabbi David Ostrich

Sermon response music – *The God of Abraham Praise*
rendition by Mike Bratt

Sharing time – Pastor Kate

Announcements/birthdays/introduction of visitors

Benediction

Announcements

Conversation surrounding volunteer positions at UMC - Join worship committee for a discussion immediately after Zoom worship this morning. We'd like to think together about the ongoing needs for worship leaders, children's time leaders, and hybrid tech support persons as we, as a church body, live into the changing dynamics of what it means to be church.

Pastor Kate will leave this afternoon for a combination of silent retreat and a few days with siblings, returning late next Sunday, February 6. She will be out of cell phone range much of the time. Please contact an elder (Meredith Wideman, Laura Litwiller, and Doug Yoder) with any spiritual emergencies during this time.

Zoom only Sunday worship services through February 6 - Due to the continued high number of community COVID cases, the leadership team has decided that we will continue to hold Zoom only worship services through next Sunday, February 6.

Tuesday sharing and prayer - Join us on Tuesdays 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.

Announcements (cont.)

Welcoming Afghan allies and friends - We're looking for individuals to sign up to help with specific tasks - Housing, Transportation, Cultural Orientation, Employment, Healthcare, Schooling, English Language Classes, and Interpretation. Contact Kathleen Stehouwer for more information. If you'd like to contribute financially, send a check to UMC (1606 Norma St, State College PA 16801) with "SCI" in the memo line.

MCUSA and MCC Updates

The Mennonite Church USA Executive Board will meet Feb. 3-5 in Elkhart, Indiana. Please pray for the members of the Executive Board, as they gather to discuss how to best guide the denomination.

ACTION ALERT: Support migrants by reversing "Remain in Mexico" policy



"Don't mistreat any foreigners who live in your land. Instead, treat them as well as you treat citizens and love them as much as you love yourself." (Leviticus 19:33). Join MCC in urging the Biden administration

to reverse their decision to expand Migrant Protection Protocols (MPP), also known as "Remain in Mexico," a Trump-era policy that forces people seeking asylum to await their U.S. immigration court dates in Mexico. Asylum seekers forced to "remain in Mexico" face violence and a lack of food, shelter, and medical care. Shelters in Mexico are overwhelmed.

Join MCC's Washington Office in asking the Biden administration to reverse the expansion of harmful "Remain in Mexico" policy. Visit mcc.org/washington to learn more and take action.

Join local meat canning - Central PA World Hunger Association is canning meat to meet hunger needs locally and worldwide wide through Mennonite Central Committee (MCC). This 48th meat canning project will be from February 7-10 at the Chief Logan Fire Company, 1800 Glenwood Ave, Lewistown, PA 17044. Those wishing to participate in canning as individuals or a group must call ahead for time slots. Contact Jessie Diem at 717-348-9577, or Henry Stolfus at 814-625-2424, or Jonathan Coldren at 717-250-6840.

Announcements (cont.)

MCUSA and MCC Updates (cont.)

Check out the proposed resolution on Justice in the U.S. Criminal Legal System that will be considered during a special delegate session of MCUSA this May. The resolution outlines justice work that needs to be done to address current US policies with incarceration, policing, cash bail, and more. [Click HERE to read the resolution.](#)

Volunteering at UMC - Ready to give worship leading a try? Have a good message to share with our children? We welcome any regular attender to help provide leadership on Sunday mornings. Ben and Kate can help you learn how to navigate hybrid worship. Sign up online at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0e4daeae28a0ff2-worship>. We work as a body with many members, learn as a body, offer grace and love to one another as the body of Christ. Join us!

If you're interested in attending the **mindful meditation sessions** on Monday evenings and Thursday or Friday mornings, contact Pastor Kate (kate@universitymennonite.org) as times and dates vary.

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

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 at <http://www.universitymennonite.org/donate>
- Set up an automatic payment with your bank (bill pay service)
- Use a service like Zelle <https://www.zellepay.com/>

“Now is the accepted time, not tomorrow, not some more convenient season. It is today that our best work can be done and not some future day or future year.” – W.E.B. Du Boise
