
CHURCH INFORMATION

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Masking protocol – Centre County is currently in the High Community level for COVID and masks are required for attendance in church.

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
May 29, 2022, 10 am
(in-person and Zoom)



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ORDER OF WORSHIP

Welcome – Gloria Horst Rosenberger

We gather this morning to be church.

May our loving God

Bless those who are absent, but not from our hearts.

Bless those who are distant, but not from God's love.

Bless each of us that we may:

Choose justice by the Spirit,

Draw kindness from the well of God's mercy,

And walk humbly on our path.

Prelude – *With My Own Two Hands* by Jack Johnson & Ben Harper

Call to worship

We delight in God

And give thanks for the fresh light of this spring morning.

As we have rested in God's care through the shadows of the night,

May we now dwell in His peace through the hours of this day.

May God guide us in our worship this morning so that when

evening comes,

We may once more give Him thanks and praise.

Singing – STJ 106 – *Just a closer walk with thee*

singing led by Ross Hardison

Lighting the peace lamp - *Last Night I Had The Strangest Dream ...*

performed by Joan Baez

Offering & prayer

Children's time – Marvin Hall

Singing – *All We Are Saying, Is Give Peace a Chance* - John Lennon

Scripture – Colossians 3:12-17 read by Gloria Horst Rosenberger

Sermon – Samuel K. Sarpiya, M.Div.

The Way of Peace in Our Polarized World

Special music – Mike Bratt – *Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore &*

Come See the Beauty of the Lord

Sharing time – Doug Yoder

Welcoming of visitors

Announcements/birthdays/anniversaries

Benediction – Stand and face towards the center aisle, facing one another, and read in unison.

May the Lord bless you and keep you;

May the Lord's face shine upon you and be gracious unto you;

May God give you grace never to sell yourself short,

Grace to risk something big for something good;

Grace to remember that the world is now too dangerous for anything but truth and too small for anything but love.

So, may God take your minds and think through them,

take your lips and speak through them,

take your hearts and set them on fire.

Through the power of God who created us,

who is redeeming us,

and whose Holy presence refuses to leave us unchanged.

Announcements

Our speaker this morning is Samuel K Sarpiya. He will be bringing this morning's message at the Mennonite Church USA assembly where Kate Heinzl and Joyce Hall are attending as our delegates. Samuel is the cofounder of the Center for non-violence and conflict transformation at Rockford, Illinois where he is also the minister at Rockford Community Church. He is the past moderator for the Church of the Brethren churches.

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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.

Pastor's schedule – Kate will be gone through Tuesday morning, May 31. She is partially available by email or text. Please contact an elder with spiritual emergencies.

Holding in prayer - Kate Heinzl and Joyce Hall are participating in MCUSA's Delegate Assembly in Kansas City, MO, May 27-30. Please remember the entire delegate assembly as they listen and discern together.

Announcements (cont.)

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/20f0e4daeae28a0ff2-2022>. 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!

MCUSA & MCC Updates

Menno Snapshots - “If the conditions or requirements of hospitality are that the stranger be familiar to us, then are we truly willing to welcome the stranger?” write Daniela Lazaro-Manalo and Hannah Markey-Roberts. In their blog, they address the systematic immigration issues at the southern border of the United States in relation to Ukrainian refugee resettlement initiatives. Read more here: mennoniteusa.org/welcoming-white-stranger

Peaceful Practices curriculum from MCC - available in English and Spanish - Conflict is a normal part of life. It arises in our workplaces, in our churches and with our families. To help people to learn to work through divisive issues, MCC U.S. has produced a new adult Sunday school curriculum, *Peaceful Practices: A guide to healthy communication in conflict*. It invites churchgoers to follow Jesus’ call to peacemaking through dialogue with each other. [Download or order copies of Peaceful Practices.](#)

Need help? We are a community with talents, tools, and a willingness to serve each other. If you need help - gathering groceries, yard work, 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/>