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

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



Sunday Worship September 18, 2022, 10 am (in-person and Zoom)

"No one can serve two masters. Either you will hate the one and love the other, or you will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and money." Luke 16:13

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Welcome – Bethany Spicher Schonberg

Prelude – Fill us with your love and Seeds from The Walking Roots Band

Call to worship –from Voices Together #854 read by Bethany Spicher Schonberg and Ben Schonberg

Leader: Some of us are exhausted. People: We come to rest. Leader: Some of us are curious about God. People: We come to learn. Leader: Some of us are hungry. People: We come to be fed. Leader: Some of us are disoriented. People: We come to pray. Leader: Some of us are broken. People: We come to be healed. Leader: We gather around you today, O Christ. People: Teach us, feed us, hear us, heal us. All: Grant us your peace. Amen.

Lighting the peace lamp

Singing

HWB 493 *I heard the voice of Jesus say* Voices Together 777 – *Seeds* by the Walking Roots Band (see insert)

Allegheny Mennonite Conference Update - Gloria Horst Rosenberger

Voices of the congregation – Ruth Kitchin Tillman

Children's time – Pastor Kate Heinzel

Scripture reading – Luke 16:1-13 read by Sarah Jeh

Then Jesus said to the disciples, 'There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. So he summoned him and said to him, "What is this that I hear about you? Give me an account of your management, because you cannot be my manager any longer." Then the manager said to himself, "What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes." So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he asked the first, "How much do you owe my master?" He answered, "A hundred jugs of olive oil." He said to him, "Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty." Then he asked another, "And how much do you owe?" He replied, "A hundred containers of wheat." He said to him, "Take your bill and make it eighty." And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly; for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone, they may welcome you into the eternal homes.

'Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. If then you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? No slave can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth.'

Sermon – Pastor Kate Heinzel

Sermon response – music played by Evelyn Bartsch

Sharing time – Pastor Kate

Sharing response – Voices Together 777 – Seeds (see insert)

Announcements/birthdays/introduction of visitors

Benediction

Announcements

Masking protocol – Centre County is currently in the **medium** community transmission level for COVID-19 and masks are **optional** for attendance in church.

There will be a fellowship meal next Sunday, September 25, after worship. Picnic in the park if the weather allows or a meal in the fellowship hall in case of rain. We will dine, rain or shine! Consider bringing a side to share. We will provide disposable plates, but you may bring your own plate setting if you like. Hope to see everyone there.

Announcements (page 2)

MCUSA & MCC Updates

Mennonite World Conference (MWC) affirmed the appointment of Linda Dibble, the Mennonite Church USA (MC USA) moderator, as one of the two North American representatives on the MWC Executive Committee and Sue Park-Hur, MC USA director of racial/ethnic engagement, to the MWC Deacon Commission. Read more

here: mennoniteusa.org/news/mwc-meets

Mennonite Church USA (MC USA) invites you to engage with "Learn,

Pray, Join: Mass Incarceration," an initiative that examines the injustices in our criminal legal system that cause pain and suffering, especially for poor people and people of color. During September and October, MC USA will offer resources, prayers, and ways to live into our Anabaptist faith values, resisting injustice in all forms and in all places. mennoniteusa.org/lpj-mass-incarceration

NEW Relief, Development and Podcast episode from MCC - It's been over five months since the Russian military invaded Ukraine and, because of the war, supply chains in-country have been disrupted. Many essential items are difficult to find. Recently, a shipment of Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) emergency supplies arrived in Ukraine and are being distributed to the people who need it most. On this episode of Relief, Development and Podcast, MCC staff Nadiya Tykhovod shares an update on MCC's response in Ukraine and answers some frequently asked questions about the recent supply shipment. Listen to the podcast and find full transcripts at mcc.org/relief-development-podcast.

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!

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.

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Your offerings support UMC – Remember 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 <u>https://www.zellepay.com/</u>

Church pictorial directory – UMC maintains a pictorial directory that includes addresses, phone numbers, birthdays, and anniversaries. You must be in the directory to have access to directory information. The directory can be accessed on the web or on your phone. Find out how to be added to the directory and submit updates to your directory information at https://universitymennonite.org/directory/

