
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:

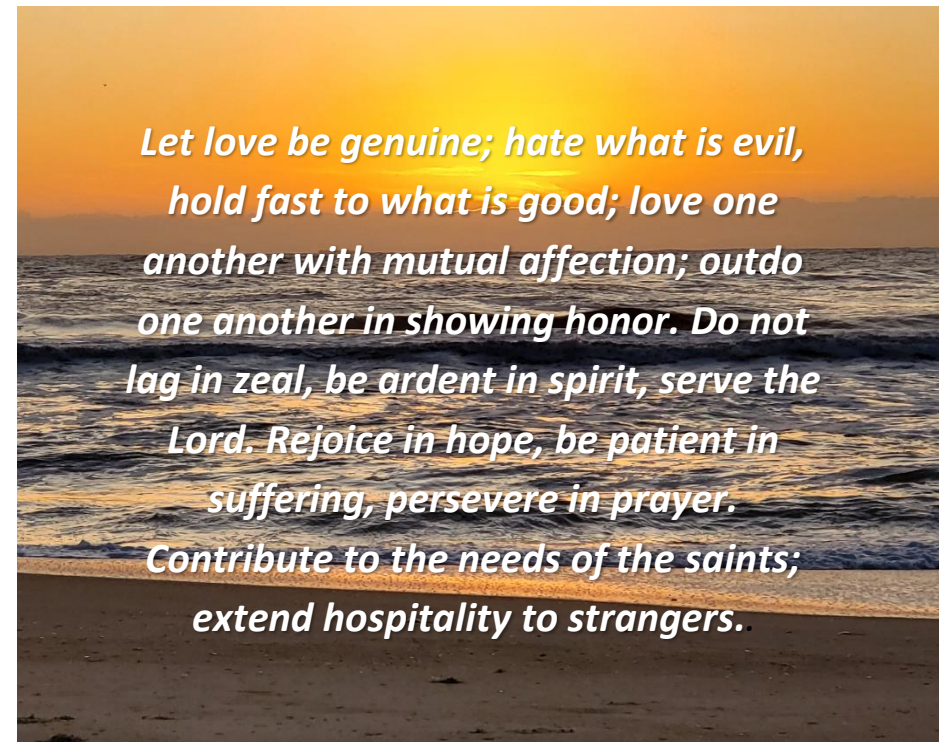
university-mennonite-sharing-list+subscribe@googlegroups.com

Missed worship? Our church services are being recorded and published on our website at: <http://www.universitymennonite.org/worship-service-recordings-current/>

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



Sunday Worship
January 15, 2023, 10 am
(in-person and Zoom)



ORDER OF WORSHIP

Welcome – Connor Huxman

Prelude – *Please Read the Letter*

rendition by Cindy Runes, Brian Pearson

Call to worship - Connor Huxman

Loving God, Loving our Neighbors (Based on Mark 12:28-34)

Leader: We are people of God, created to love.

People: We will love the Lord our God with heart, soul, mind and strength.

Leader: We are people of God determined to love.

People: We will love our neighbors and treat them as we would be treated.

Leader: We love neither from a sense of obligation nor to gain popularity or favor.

People: We choose to love both the lovely and the unlovable because love imitates God's nature.

All: For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." (Galatians 5:14, NRSV)

Lighting the peace lamp

Singing – VT 636 - Spirit, *Open my heart*

Children's time – Jess McCormick

Singing – VT 1 - *Summoned by the God who made us*

Sermon – Pastor Kate Heinzl, Scripture Romans 12

Musical response – Mike Bratt

Sharing time – Pastor Kate

Sharing Response – VT 485 *Put peace into each other's hands*

Announcements/birthdays/anniversaries/introduction of visitors

Benediction

Stick around for a sermon discussion after worship today (in-person and Zoom attendees).

Announcements

Masking protocol – As of the printing of the bulletin Centre County is currently in the **medium** community transmission level for COVID-19 and masks are **required** for attendance in church on Sunday.

Everyone is invited to stay for a delicious carry-in meal this Sunday at noon. There is always enough for everyone and you are invited to stay whether you planned to or not. There will be labels for vegan, vegetarian, gluten-free, and especially any dishes containing nuts.

Out of the Cold welcomes meals and volunteers to help support the guests at 318 S. Atherton St. from December 27 to March 5, 2023. Sign up at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0f45a9ad2ba5fa7-breakfast/72733331#/>

There is an urgent need for a room to rent, studio, or one-bedroom apartment for a single woman, in her 60s, who speaks no English. The State College Interfaith Group continues to accompany the Jalali family as they make their home here in State College. An urgent need to re-locate one of their family members to State College has recently surfaced. **At this time we are seeking a free or low-rent space** for her to live, at least for the next several months. We hope to have a more permanent solution in place in the coming months. Contact Kate at kate@universitymennonite.org by January 15 if you have any leads. Please hold this request in your prayers, and share with others!

Restoring Hope & Dignity: MLK Service Day 2023 - Join Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) and Kingdom Builders Network (KBN) on Martin Luther King, Jr. Day 2023 (**January 16, at 10 am**) for a day of celebration and service as we remember those in prison who are often forgotten and discarded from communities. At the event, you'll learn about mass incarceration and restorative justice through a dialogue and Q&A with community leaders.

- **Celebrate** MLK's legacy of peace and justice through song and spoken word.
- **Serve** your neighbors by bringing complete MCC prisoner care kits to the event (or dropping kits off any time at MCC's Philadelphia office) and assembling donated kit items that will bring hope and dignity to incarcerated people in Philadelphia. Volunteers (approx. 25-30 individuals) are needed for setup (the day before and morning of) and to pack the prisoner care kits at the event. Contact MCC's Philadelphia office at (215) 535-3624 to volunteer.

This event will be held in-person and livestreamed via Zoom. Visit mcc.org/service-day to register and for more information!

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State College Food Bank needs monetary and food donations at this time. A list of current needs is found at <https://scfoodbank.org/donate/current-needs-list>. Items can be put into the "Food Bank" box at the top of the stairs of the parking lot entrance. Monetary donations can be mailed to 1321 South Atherton Street, State College, PA 16801, or online at <https://scfoodbank.org/donate>. Thank you for your generosity.

Hello University Mennonite Church! MCC meat canning is coming to a site near you! Every year MCC's Mobile Meat Canner travels across the United States and Canada, visiting compassionate communities and meeting over 30,000 enthusiastic volunteers who prepare cans of turkey, beef, chicken, and pork to be sent around the world. Last year we shipped 491,940 pounds of canned meat to Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cuba, Ethiopia, Jordan, Syria, Zambia, Ukraine, and the U.S., including Puerto Rico. **Save the dates to volunteer! February 6-9: MCC meat canning in Lewistown, PA.**

Stewardship University is a ministry partnership between Everence and our local faith community that's rooted in faith. Reimagined for the future, this event is coming to Lancaster on Saturday, **March 18, 2023**. The keynote speaker will be Peter Greer, president and CEO of HOPE International. For information or to register (discounted rate through Feb. 9), visit everence.com/StewU. Questions? Contact Lynette Morales at 717-394-0769 or lynette.morales@everence.com.

Interested in attending MC USA's convention in Kansas City, MO this July? We're looking for a delegate to represent UMC. Contact a member of leadership team to learn more and view the online schedule at <https://www.mennoniteusa.org/news/mennocon23-schedule/>

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 – 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 <https://www.zellepay.com/>