
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
February 5, 2023, 10 am
(in-person and Zoom)



... so in Christ we, though
many, form one body ...

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Welcome – Leah Witzig

Prelude – *Beautiful Dawn* by the Wailin' Jennys

Call to worship – Leah Witzig

Leader: Christ is like a single body that has many parts.

People: *it is still one body, though every part is different.*

Leader: Therefore the foot cannot say, I am not part of the body.

People: *nor can the ear say, I am not part of the body.*

Leader: The eye cannot say to the hand, I don't need you.

People: *nor can the head say to the feet, I don't need you.*

Leader: If one part suffers,

People: *all parts share the pain.*

Leader: if one part is praised,

People: *all parts share the joy.*

All: *Together, we are God's body, each of us is a part of it.*

Lighting the peace lamp

Singing – accompanist Joyce Hall

Jesus Calls Us, VT 30

Holy Spirit, Come With Power, VT 57

Confession and assurance

Leader: For failing to love others as you have loved us,

God of grace, forgive us.

People: *For wasting your gifts and hoarding our goods,*

God of grace, forgive us.

Leader: For plundering the earth and abusing the planet,

God of grace, forgive us.

People: *For fearing those who are strange to us and ignoring those in need,*

God of grace, forgive us.

Leader: For losing heart and abandoning hope,

God of grace, forgive us.

People: *For all the ways we turn from you,*

God of grace, forgive us.

Leader: We offer our prayers.

Silence

Children's time – Marvin Hall

Scripture – Romans 12:3-13 read by Bekah and Ankit Saxena

Sermon – Ben Wideman

Sermon response – Mike Bratt, *We Walk by Faith*, VT 588

Sharing time – Doug Yoder

Singing – *Holy Presence, Holy Teacher*, VT 531

Introduction of visitors/announcements/birthdays/anniversaries

Benediction – Ben Wideman

Announcements

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

My Coins Count: In February and March, all are invited to bring coins for Mennonite Central Committee's My Coins Count collection. Coins will go toward MCC's education programs around the world - funding school materials, meals, conflict resolution and trauma healing programs. UMC's coins will be collected in a school display in the foyer.

State College Food Bank needs **COFFEE** donations at this time.

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.

Gentleman of UMC, please mark your calendars for a **men's breakfast on Thursday, February 9**. We will meet at the Waffle Shop on East College Ave from 7 to 8 am. Contact Ankit Saxena if you have any questions.

Need spiritual support during Kate's absence?

Please reach out to one of our elders:

Laura Litwiller, 1978lauraashley@gmail.com (717) 543-3419

Doug Yoder, dv83yoder@gmail.com (814) 933-6896

Faith King, faithking023@outlook.com (814) 571-5666

If there are pastoral needs that might benefit from a pastoral presence above and beyond the support of the elders (such as end of life care or funerals), elders have the discretion to contact Ben for pastoral needs that exceed their time and abilities. Ben will be compensated for the time he's needed in this capacity. The elders will be in touch with Kate if such a need arises.

MCC/MCUSA Updates

Pray for, serve, and give toward the MCC Meat Canning February 6-9 in Lewistown, PA. See bulletin insert for details. **Send checks to:** Central Pennsylvania World Hunger Association, PO Box 76, Belleville, PA 17004.

February is Black History Month. Be sure to check out Mennonite Church USA's timeline honoring Black history in the Mennonite Church. mennoniteusa.org/resource/black-history

Mennonite Church USA and Mennonite Central Committee are partnering in a new, four-part webinar series on mass incarceration, beginning Feb. 7 at 7:30 ET/4:30 PT. Join us to learn about the ways the faith community is actively understanding and working against these complex systems of confinement. Learn more and register here: mcc.org/beyond-incarceration-webinars

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.

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!

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/>

2023 Meat Canning Project

2023 is the 49th year for the MCC Meat Canning Project locally. The canned meat feeds hungry people around the world in the name of Christ. Did you know that 10% of all the meat canned remains local? This year we will be canning 34,000 pounds of chicken!

Dates and times: February 6 – 9

- Monday – Wednesday 6 am – 8 pm
- Thursday 6 am – 12 pm

Where: Chief Logan Firehouse
1800 Glenwood Ave, Lewistown, PA 17044

How you can help: We are looking for volunteers (groups preferred but not required) to help with all steps of the process:
Grinding Meat → Filling Cans → Cleaning Cans → Labeling/Boxing Cans

Volunteers can be scheduled for as little or as much time as you like. (1 hour, 2 hours, all day)

Who to Contact: Jonathan Coldren – Canning Coordinator
Call or text: 717-250-6840

Unable to donate your time, but looking to help? We are also accepting monetary donations.

Send checks to: Central Pennsylvania World Hunger Association
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