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. Request to join the email sharing list by completing this online form:

https://forms.gle/1EJ4YfuSWnj2LDrR8

Sign up to receive **Pastor Kate's midweek email newsletter** at: http://eepurl.com/gtOJur

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

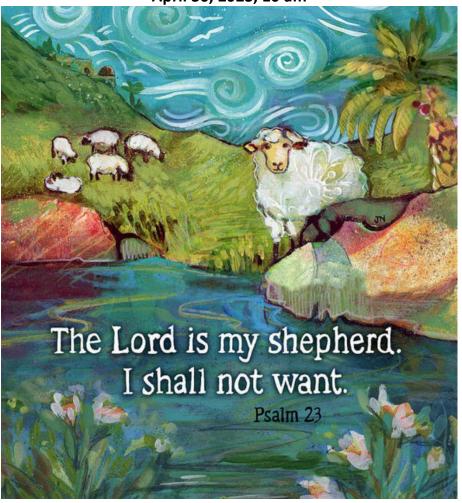
Church calendar - https://universitymennonite.org/calendar/

Check out the latest Menno Media -ing podcast produced by our very own Ben Wideman: https://www.mennomedia.org/ing-podcast/

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



Sunday Worship April 30, 2023, 10 am



Artist: Jen Norton

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Worship Leader: Pastor Kate Heinzel Song Leader: Brad Yoder Accompanist: Krista Weidner

Welcome - Pastor Kate Heinzel

Prelude – New Morning, by Bob Dylan

Call to worship - Psalm 23, VT 725

Lighting the peace lamp – VT 1040

Singing

Come, Thou Fount, VT 563 Holy God, We Praise Thy Name, VT 126

Scripture – John 10:1-10 read by Cathy Bresee

'Very truly, I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate but climbs in by another way is a thief and a bandit. The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice. They will not follow a stranger, but they will run from him because they do not know the voice of strangers.' Jesus used this figure of speech with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them.

So again Jesus said to them, 'Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. All who came before me are thieves and bandits; but the sheep did not listen to them. I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly.'

Children's time – Amy Sattler

Voices of the congregation – Gloria Horst Rosenberger What does it mean to 'practice resurrection' in your life?

Sermon – Ben Wideman

Special Music – *My Shepherd Will Supply My Need*, arr. Healey Willan played by Krista Weidner

Sharing time – Pastor Kate

Sharing response – God, Be The Love, VT 43

Introduction of visitors/announcements/birthdays/anniversaries Benediction

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.

Church Lifecycle Workshop May 13 with consultant Tom Beers - We'll meet 9 am - 1 pm with lunch provided. Tom will help us assess the current state of our congregational life and help us consider what's needed to be a vital church. Please plan on attending! If you need childcare, we have options - contact kate@universitymennonite.org

Ten Thousand Villages will continue our Afghan event series with the Village Kite Fest on May 13 from 1-4 pm. More information at: Village Kite Fest. We can always use help with events and if you would like to help plan events, consider joining the Events Committee – it might be the most fun committee to be a member of! See Jean Landis or Joel Weidner for information on how to get involved.



"LIGHTS OUT" – a pledge around Migratory Bird Day – On Saturday May 13. Consider pledging to keep unnecessary outdoor lights turned off during the night of May 12-13 to help protect migrating birds. Find out more at: https://www.statecollegepa.us/774/Lights-Out-State-College

Announcements (cont.)

On June 4 Benjamin Bergey will lead us in a music service from the Voices Together hymnal.

Check out the church calendar to find out what's going on at UMC: https://universitymennonite.org/calendar/

UMC Anabaptist faith exploration class - What does it mean to be Mennonite...To be an Anabaptist, in this place and time? The elders and Pastor Kate invite you to explore your faith and ask questions of how to live as followers of Christ, by looking at our history and bringing it back to our current lives. We will use "What is an Anabaptist Christian?" by Palmer Becker. It's a short, concise distillation of Anabaptist core values. This three-session class is for anyone interested in exploring the intersection of our historical faith and identity as Christ followers today. We will follow this series with additional gatherings for those interested in deepening their commitment to our community and exploring possible membership at UMC. Contact Kate or one of the elders if you're interested in participating.

Menno Snapshots - A spiritual practice can be as simple as praying with beads. Shirley Yoder Brubaker, a retired pastor and educator, and member of Park View Mennonite Church in Harrisonburg, Virginia, uses the concept of the Catholic rosary as a form of Anabaptist prayer beads. Read more of her reflections here: mennoniteusa.org/praying-with-beads

I choose to be Mennonite because... MC USA is looking for written reflections (suggested 500-900 words) about your faith journey. Consider sharing about what draws you to our Mennonite theology and practices. How has this decision shaped your life? They especially welcome them from those who were not born Mennonite but have chosen to become one. Find out more at https://www.mennoniteusa.org/menno-snapshots/blog-guidelines/

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 – 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/