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## CHURCH INFORMATION

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**Submissions for bulletin:** [bulletin@universitymennonite.org](mailto:bulletin@universitymennonite.org)

Deadline for bulletin inclusion: Thursday end of day

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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**  
**August 6, 2023, 10 am**



Saint John Neumann Catholic Church (Sunbury, Ohio)  
stained glass, Holy Spirit rose window

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Worship Leader: Doug Yoder

Accompanist: Becky Kephart

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## ORDER OF WORSHIP

**Welcome** – Doug Yoder

**Prelude** – *Walking On Sunshine* cover by Pomplamoose

**Call to worship** – Doug Yoder

(based on Romans 8:26-27, The Message)

*We've gathered together in the presence of God  
to offer our praise and our prayers.*

*We come before God with confidence,*

*knowing that even when we can't find the words,*

*God's own Spirit is right here with us,*

*praying in us and for us,*

*giving shape to our wordless hopes and longings,*

*and pleading for us before the throne of grace.*

*So let's come with joy to offer our worship*

*to God who knows and loves us all.*

**Lighting the peace lamp**

**Singing** – led by Micah Schonberg

*Be Thou My Vision* VT, 549

*God Be the Love*, VT 43

**Children's time** – Gloria Horst Rosenberger

**Scripture** – John 3:1-8, read by Jasiel Lira

*Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, 'Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God.' Jesus answered him, 'Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above.' Nicodemus said to him, 'How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?' Jesus answered, 'Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, "You must be born from above." The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.'*

**Introduction of Glen Guyton** – Ben Wideman

**Sermon** – Glen Guyton, executive director of Mennonite Church USA

(Glen preached this sermon at the AMC meetings Saturday evening)

**Special music** – Becky Kephart, VT 372

**Sharing time** – Doug Yoder

**Introduction of visitors/announcements/birthdays/anniversaries**

**Benediction** – *Go Now in Peace*, VT 835

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## Announcements

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Join us today for a sermon discussion after worship and coffee.

**Coming up at UMC** - Check out the church calendar for more details

<https://universitymennonite.org/calendar/>

Aug 6, 11:15 am – Sermon discussion and response after worship and coffee

Aug 8, 12 pm – Lectio Divina on Zoom

Aug 10, 7 am – Men's fellowship breakfast at the Waffle Shop, 364 E College Av

Aug 12, 1:30 pm – Memorial Service for Paulette McLane

Aug 14, 7 pm – Sacred harp singing

Aug 15, 12 pm – Lectio Divina on Zoom

Aug 20, 11:15 am – Congregational meeting following worship

Special activity for children

                    Noon – Potluck fellowship meal

Aug 22, 12 pm – Lectio Divina on Zoom

Aug 24, 7 am – Men's fellowship breakfast at the Waffle Shop, 364 E College Av

Aug 27, 10 am – Church around the table in various homes

Aug 28, 7 pm – Sacred harp singing

Aug 29, 12 pm – Lectio Divina on Zoom

**MCC school kits project** - Mennonite Central Committee is conducting a school kit challenge to receive 10,000 school kits by August 31. School kits are the most requested item from MCC and last year they distributed 89,000 kits.

Our congregation has joined the challenge to collect the designated items. On August 6, 13, 20, bring your donated supplies to worship so the children can collect them from you during children's time.

Each kit includes the following items:

- 4 notebooks, size 10.5 x 8 with 70 sheets per notebook
- 8 unsharpened pencils
- 1 flat, flexible ruler that has centimeters designated
- 1 package of 12 colored pencils
- 1 large eraser
- 4 new black or blue ballpoint pens
- 1 all metal pencil sharpener (can be bought through amazon.com)

For more information or questions contact Gloria Horst Rosenberger at 814-571-5608.

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## Announcements (cont.)

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**Out of the Cold is being hosted by Holy Trinity Orthodox Church**, August 7-21, providing safe shelter and meals to locally unhoused persons. Sign up to bring a meal at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0f45a9ad2ba5fa7-ootc34/72733331#/>

**Pennsylvania Interfaith Power and Light (PA IPL)** and the Chesapeake Bay Foundation (CBF) make native tree and shrub seedlings available for free as a way to mitigate the effects of climate change. Place an order online at [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScxrCmlRnv\\_OuCtaT6a2y9q4Gh2aJrB-BY8G64\\_2oI3Jro9PLA/viewform](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScxrCmlRnv_OuCtaT6a2y9q4Gh2aJrB-BY8G64_2oI3Jro9PLA/viewform)

**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 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/>

**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.

### **Can you help with leading worship or children's time?**

Please consider signing up for these important worship tasks! Pastor Kate and Pastor Ben will work with you to make sure everything flows smoothly, regardless of your previous experience. We are a church that values many different voices, and we hope you are able to help in this way.

- Preparing a **children's time** message involves creating a short three- to five-minute reflection, based around the morning service themes, to share either live, online, or pre-recorded. Kate and Ben work with this person with any questions that might come up.
- The **worship leader** works each week with Kate and Ben to shape and create the morning worship experience. They help prepare a reflection for call to worship (possibly including a confession and words of assurance), peace lamp, and occasionally offering/announcements/benediction as well. Again, this is a role that can be done in person, via zoom, or pre-recorded. We will work with any willing persons!

**Sign up here:** <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0e4daeae28a0ff2-2022#/>

Please know that we work alongside each volunteer each week to make sure everyone is comfortable and able to do the task they signed up for. We will help along the way with any technological fears or needs you may have!