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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.** Find out more and request to join at <https://universitymennonite.org/email-sharing-list/>

**Our church has an online directory with photos and contact information.**

Find out more and request to join at:

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

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/>

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



**Sunday Worship**  
**November 5, 2023, 10 am**



*I hope I can be the autumn leaf, who looked at the sky and lived. And when it was time to leave, gracefully it knew life was a gift. - Dodinsky*

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Worship Leader: Marvin Hall  
Song Leader: Jim Rosenberger

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Accompanist: Meredith Wideman

### ORDER OF WORSHIP

**Welcome** – Marvin Hall

**Prelude** – *Give Peace a Chance* by Lennon/Ono, and *Peace Like a River* rendition by Elizabeth Mitchell

#### Call to worship

*One: As followers of Jesus, we are called*

**Many: to bless those who persecute us;**

*One: to rejoice with those who rejoice, and mourn with those who mourn;*

**Many: to live in harmony with others and not be arrogant.**

*One: As disciples of the Prince of Peace, we are called*

**Many: to not repay anyone evil for evil;**

*One: to, as far as possible, live peaceably with all;*

**Many: to feed our enemies when they are hungry and offer a drink when they are thirsty.**

*One: Ours is a hard and holy calling, friends. And so we gather.*

**Many: We gather for prayer and study.**

*One: We gather for singing and silence.*

**Many: We gather for encouragement and support.**

**All: We gather for worship.**

**Singing** – *You Are Salt for the Earth*, VT 297

#### Lighting the peace lamp

*Put Peace into Each Other's Hands* (all verses) VT 485

**Signs of peace** – Northeast Asia Regional Peacebuilding Institute (NARPI)

**Scripture and children's time** - Marvin Hall

(1 Samuel 25:1-35, page 234 in pew bible)

**Singing** – *We Dream of a Turning*, VT 209

**Sermon** – Pastor Kate Heinzl

**Special music** – Minnich family

**Sharing time** – Pastor Kate

**Announcements/birthdays/anniversaries/introduction of visitors**

**Benediction**

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### Announcements

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

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

Nov 6, 5-5:30 pm Lights for Peace vigil at Allen Street Gates

Nov 7, 12 pm – Lectio Divina on Zoom

Nov 9, 7 am – Men's fellowship breakfast at the Waffle Shop, 1129 N Atherton

Nov 11 – Mission moment from Park Forest Preschool during worship. Learn more during the adult education hour.

Nov 13, 7 pm – Sacred Harp Singing in the foyer

Nov 14, 12 pm – Lectio Divina on Zoom

Nov 19, 11 am – Mission moment from Ten Thousand Villages during worship. Learn more during the adult education hour.

11 am – Special activity for children

Noon – Potluck fellowship meal

6:30 pm – Congregational meeting on Zoom

Nov 21, 12 pm – Lectio Divina on Zoom

Nov 23, 1:30 pm – Thanksgiving meal in the fellowship hall

**Join others for a candlelight peace vigil at the Allen Street Gates** on Monday, November 6 from 5 to 5:30 pm. Join us as we pray for peace and an end to violence in the Middle East.

**Congregation Brit Shalom** invites the community, on Sunday, November 12, 2 pm to a memorial service/panel discussion to commemorate the 85th year since Kristallnacht and the 5th year since the Tree of Life tragedy. The panel discussion will focus on the current state of anti-Semitism in the United States. Rabbi David Ostrich will speak about the challenges facing congregations in the face of anti-Semitic sentiment, Rabbi Rob Gleisser will address anti-Semitism on college campuses, and Emma Baer-Simon will discuss anti-Semitism on social media. 620 E. Hamilton Avenue, State College.

**We'll hold a congregational meeting on November 19.** For this meeting we're going to try an all Zoom meeting scheduled for 6:30 pm Sunday evening. Mark your calendars and watch for more information soon.

**All are welcome to our annual Thanksgiving meal on Thursday, November 23.** Arrive at 1:30 pm and we'll eat at 2. There is a sign-up sheet hanging in the lobby and a form to fill out what you can bring to share. Turkey will be provided. Invite your friends! Contact Doug Yoder with any questions or if you are attending but didn't get a chance to sign up.

**The Mennonite Mission Network requests prayer for the Johnstown Service Adventure unit.** Pray for a harmonious household, deepening faith and service that reflects God's love through clinics, Head Start, school and after-school programs.

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## Announcements (cont.)

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**You're welcome to join the Centre Counter Interfaith Coalition for Gun Safety** that meets every second Monday at 2 pm at Wegmans Market. The coalition is an alliance of local religious leaders and community members committed to building a peaceful society free from preventable gun violence. Through our work, we educate on issues related to gun violence, advocate for responsible and safe gun ownership, and unite with local, state, and federal officials on matters of gun safety that benefit the whole community.

**Children in UMC worship** – Children through sixth grade are invited to come to the front of the sanctuary for children's time. After children's time, the nursery is available for children ages three and under. (Parents, please check to see if the nursery is staffed; if not, please stay with your child.) Children of all ages are also welcome to remain in the sanctuary for the service or to gather at the table in the back for quiet activities using the materials provided.

**Sharing list and online directory** - UMC maintains a Google Group for sharing announcements and prayer requests via email. We also have an online directory that includes photos, mailing addresses, email, and phone contact information.

Learn more about the Google Group and signup at:

<https://universitymennonite.org/email-sharing-list/>

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**Sharing and loan list** – Need a tool, camping gear, bike rack, guitar, ice cream maker, or kayak? **All these items plus many more** are listed on the sharing and loan list at <https://universitymennonite.org/sharing-and-loan-list/>. Add your items to the list by contacting Marvin Hall.

**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 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/>