CHURCH INFORMATION

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Deadline for bulletin inclusion: Thursday end of day

Staff and volunteer leadership

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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 April 7, 2024, 10 am



Worship Leader: Ross Hardison Accompanist: Meredith Wideman

Song Leader: Micah Schonberg

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Welcome and prayer – Ross Hardison

Prelude – Faithful and Just from The Soil and the Seed Project

Call to worship - from 1 John 1:1-4 (Inclusive Bible translation)

Lighting the peace lamp

Poetry of Easter - *Don't Hesitate* by Mary Oliver, read by Ross Hardison

Singing

Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia!, VT 341 Jesus, Stand Among Us, HWB 25

Offering prayer

Scripture – John 20:19-31, read by Ross Hardison

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe." A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe." Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

Singing to call children forward, Come and See, VT 282

Children's time - Pastor Kate Heinzel

Sermon – Pastor Kate

Confession and communion

Sharing time – Pastor Kate

Singing – The Lord's My Shepherd, VT 660

Announcements/birthdays/anniversaries/introduction of visitors

Benediction

Announcements

MASKING SPACE - The back three benches on the left side of the sanctuary are reserved for those who wish to mask in an area where others are also masking. *This does not mean that everyone who masks must sit in this area;* rather, it allows for those who want to mask and to maintain some distance from those who are unmasked to sit in one place.

Join us after worship for a cup of coffee and an intergenerational Sunday school - we'll focus on communion. Bring stories of what communion means to you and how you've celebrated it over the years.

Coming up at UMC - Check out the church calendar for more details https://universitymennonite.org/calendar/

Apr 7, 2 pm – Haydn's Creation, SC Area High School North building

Apr 8, 5 pm - Lights & prayers for peace in Gaza and Israel, Allen St. Gates

Apr 8, 7 pm – Sacred Harp singing, foyer

Apr 9, 12 pm – Lectio Divina, Zoom

Apr 11, 7 am - Men's fellowship breakfast, Waffle Shop, 364 E College Ave

Apr 12, 11:30 am – National Day of Racial Healing, part 2, Municipal bldg.

Apr 13 – 7 pm – Acoustic Brew Concert featuring Acoustic Nomads

Apr 15, 5 pm - Lights & prayers for peace in Gaza and Israel, Allen St. Gates

Apr 16, 12 pm – Lectio Divina, Zoom

Worship & Fine Arts Day Camp with Dr. Michael Burkhardt June 24-27 – for children entering grades 2-8 this fall. Camp runs daily from 9 am-3 pm at Grace Lutheran Church, 205 S. Garner Street, State College. The camp offers unique opportunities for children in the Centre Region to create, drum, ring, sing, and grow in a safe, welcoming environment. Learn more and register at https://www.glcpa.org/grace-music-camp

PSU PATHWAYS English learning program (who use our building) is looking for tutors to work 1:1 with those looking to improve their English skills. Contact Shannon Frey for more information: ssf124@psu.edu

Announcements (cont.)

MC USA News - Earlier this year, James Rissler and Glen Guyton, executive director of Mennonite Church USA, embarked on a pilgrimage through civil rights sites. James reflects on how this Sankofa Journey affected his view of race relations in the U.S. and in the Mennonite church. Read his reflections at https://www.mennoniteusa.org/menno-snapshots/sankofa-journey-a-reflection-on-a-civil-rights-pilgrimage/

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 four 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.

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/