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## CHURCH INFORMATION

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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**  
**May 12, 2024, 10 am**



Artwork by Lily Paloma Prins Glenna

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Worship Leader: Marvin Hall

Accompanist: Hal Kunkel

Song Leader: Jim Rosenberger

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## ORDER OF WORSHIP

**Welcome and prayer** – Marvin Hall

**Prelude** – *Be Thou My Vision* rendition by The Petersens

**Call to worship**

**Lighting the peace lamp**

**Scripture 1** – John 15:26-27; 16:4b-7, read by Jess McCormick

*Jesus said to his disciples, "When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who comes from the Father, he will testify on my behalf. You also are to testify because you have been with me from the beginning. "I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. But now I am going to him who sent me; yet none of you asks me, 'Where are you going?' But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your hearts. Nevertheless I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you.*

**Singing**

*God of Grace and God of Glory*, VT 716

*Renew Your Church*, VT 717

**Scripture 2** - 1 John 4:7-12, read by Marvin Hall

*Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives in us, and his love is perfected in us.*

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

**Children's time** – Meredith Wideman

**Singing** – *Be Thou My Vision*, VT 549

**Sermon** – Pastor Kate Heinzl

**Special music** – *May Song*, rendition by Will Minnich

**Sharing time** – Pastor Kate

*Here I Am, Lord*, VT 545

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

**Benediction**

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## Announcements

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**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.

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

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

May 12, 11 am – Congregational meeting

Noon – Potluck fellowship meal

May 13, 7 pm – Sacred harp singing, foyer

May 14, 12 pm – Lectio Divina, Zoom

May 19, 10 am – Church around the table, various homes and UMC sanctuary

May 21, 12 pm – Lectio Divina, Zoom

May 23, 7 am – Men's fellowship breakfast, Waffle Shop, 364 E College Ave

May 27, 7 pm – Sacred harp singing, foyer

**Congregational meeting on May 12** (between worship and our potluck fellowship meal) with the primary agenda item being the filling of volunteer positions for the new church year that begins in the fall on September 1.

**Church Around the Table will begin on May 19.** Groups are being formed and you'll hear from hosts in the next few weeks. There will also be an informal worship service held in the sanctuary (led by Gloria and Jim Rosenberger) for those who choose not to join a CATT group.

**Middle Eastern and Afghan Dinner Fund Raiser for Refugees**, May 23, 5-7 pm at the SC Friends Meeting, 611 Prospect St. Dinner is free, and all donations will go towards ROAR (**R**esettlement, **O**utreach, **A**dvocacy, **R**esources) for settling refugees in our local community.

**Mark your calendars for June 2 – Picnic and canoe/kayaking at Colyer Lake.**

Bring a simple picnic lunch and lawn chairs to Colyer Lake's (9 miles east of State College) South boat ramp on Sunday, June 2 and enjoy an afternoon of hiking/canoeing/kayaking. Boats and PFDs (personal flotation devices) will be provided. This will be the maiden voyage for two canoes that Marvin Hall rebuilt. Wear clothes that can get wet if you are adventurous and want to try one of those canoes. 😊

## Announcements (cont.)

**As the new Palmer Museum of Art prepares to open its doors**, volunteers, students, businesses, and residents are invited to join in planting the area around the museum! This community volunteer event aims to beautify our campus landscape and foster a sense of environmental stewardship and connection with nature and each other. Whether you're a seasoned gardener or a novice simply eager to get your hands dirty, this is your chance to make a tangible impact on the new Palmer Museum landscape! Find out more at: <https://arboretum.psu.edu/events/palmer-museum-volunteer-planting-session-16/>

**Save the date - Allegheny Mennonite Conference** - Celebrating God's (re)Creation – Annual Celebration of Congregations and Conference. Come to Laurelville Retreat Center August 2-4 for AMC's annual Celebration event. Read Joel 1 & 2 as preparation. You will be treated to an immersive (and fun!) combination of work, worship, and outdoor experiences designed for all ages and abilities. Karla Stoltzfus Detweiler is our resource person – MC USA's new Climate Justice Coordinator. Registration and more details are coming soon.

**UMC continues to partner with Brit Shalom and UBBC** with the hopes of welcoming another refugee family to our community through Church World Service. We need more volunteers to commit to this work before saying "yes." Will you help make this work possible? Contact Kathleen Stehouwer if interested.

**MC USA News:** Mennonite Church USA, along with more than 140 Christian leaders, signed a letter calling for a permanent ceasefire in Gaza and a halt in arms sales to Israel. Read the letter at <https://www.mennoniteusa.org/news/call-for-ceasefire/>

Jenny Gehman, spiritual director and east coast representative for Mennonite Women USA, reflects on her own journey to spiritual direction and the holy hospitality she has experienced. Read her Menno Snapshots blog at <https://www.mennoniteusa.org/menno-snapshots/spiritual-direction-holy-hospitality/>

**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.

## Announcements (cont.)

**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/>

### Middle Eastern & Afghan Dinner Fundraiser for Refugees

State College Friends Meeting  
611 East Prospect Ave, SC  
Thursday, May 23, 5-7pm



Dinner is Free  
**All Contributions go directly to ROAR Resettlement, Outreach,  
Advocacy, Resources  
for local resettling refugees**