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## CHURCH INFORMATION

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[www.universitymennonite.org](http://www.universitymennonite.org)

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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.**

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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 at <http://www.universitymennonite.org/worship-service-recordings-current/>

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

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



**May 11, 2025, 10 am**  
***Anabaptism at 500 Series***



***Commemorating the 500th Anniversary  
of Anabaptist Beginnings***

*Rooted in the love of Christ, we welcome each one here today—  
we welcome your mind, body, and spirit; we welcome your faith and your  
doubts; your joys and your sorrows. Wherever you come from,  
whatever your age, and whomever you love...  
Whoever you are, you are welcome and affirmed here.*

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Worship Leader: Emily Pakhtigian  
Accompanist: Hal Kunkel Song Leader: Jim Rosenberger

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## ORDER OF WORSHIP

**Prelude** – Will Minnich

**Welcome and prayer** – Emily Pakhtigian

**Call to worship**

*All: Have mercy on me, God, according to your faithful love!*

*Wipe away my wrongdoings according to your great compassion!*

Leader: Wash me completely clean of my guilt;  
purify me from my sin!

**People: Because I know my wrongdoings,  
my sin is always right in front of me.**

Leader: Create a clean heart for me, God;  
put a new, faithful spirit deep inside me!

**People: Please don't throw me out of your presence;  
please don't take your holy spirit away from me.**

*All: Return the joy of your salvation to me  
and sustain me with a willing spirit.*

**Peace Lamp**

**Singing**

*Brethren, We Have Met to Worship* – VT 25

*God, Whose Purpose is to Kindle* – VT 152

**Scripture** – Mark 1:14-15 (CEB), read by Ben Wideman

After John was arrested, Jesus came into Galilee announcing God's good news, saying, "Now is the time! Here comes God's kingdom! Repent, change your hearts and lives, and trust this good news!"

**Dramatic Storytelling** – "On Hasty Judgements: Pilgram Marpeck, 1542,"  
with Nathan Derstine and Ben Wideman

**Calling the children forward for children's time, Come and See** - VT 282  
**Children's Time & Peace Lamp** – Meredith Wideman

**Voices of our Congregation** – New Members reflect on things that resonated with them at UMC.

Emily, Mason, Sally, Mark, Jenn, Rob, and Dave

**Singing**

In the Rifted Rock I'm Resting – VT 619

**Sermon** – Pastor Kate Heinzel

**Sharing time** – Pastor Kate Heinzel

**Glimpses of the Divine** – *Rushmere* by Mumford and Sons

*Moments where we have seen glimpses of the divine in our lives*

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

**Benediction**

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### Announcements

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

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May 11, after worship – Christian Education for All Ages, followed by a potluck meal (details below)

May 12, 5 pm – Lights and Prayers for Peace at Allen St. Gates

May 12, 7 pm – Sacred Harp Singing

May 13, 12 pm – Lectio Divina, Zoom

May 18, 10 am – Church Around the Table (details below)

**Today after service, there will be another adult education conversation** around the theme of "This a Moral Moment." Our focus is listening to the inner voice of God for direction. On May 25th the conversation will focus on the possibility of God inspired collective action. - Leslie Webb

**All are welcome to a potluck** meal following the Sunday school hour today. Bring a dish to share for all to be fed.

**Church Around the Table (CATT)** - During the summer we gather in small groups once a month for worship in a more intimate setting, outdoors in creation, with opportunity for developing closer relationships. We are coming up again to this special season and our Worship Committee has emailed out our group and host lists. Please note: we try our best to be thorough, but we have made mistakes by missing folks in the past - please let us know if we have missed you! Our hosts and facilitators will be reaching out to their groups with a phone call and/or email to confirm participants in each group. Our five 2025 dates are all third Sundays: May 18, June 15, July 20, August 17, September 21

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