

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/>

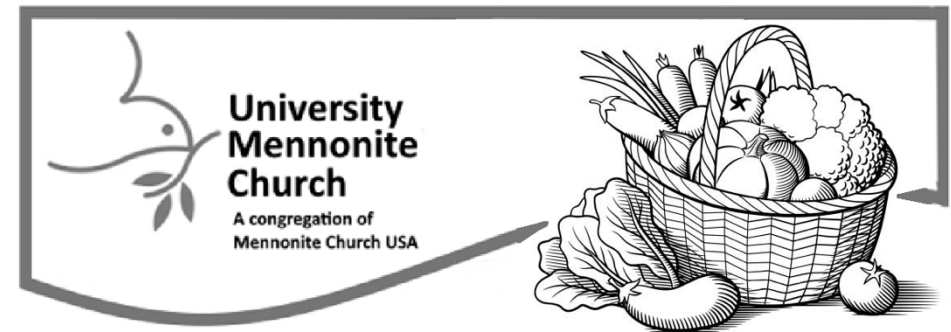
Sign up to receive **Pastor Kate's midweek email newsletter** at:

<http://eepurl.com/gtOJur>

Missed worship? Our church services are being recorded and published at <http://www.universitymennonite.org/worship-service-recordings-current/>

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

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



June 1, 2025, 10 am
Fruit of the Spirit Series



*The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control.
There is no law against such things.*

*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.*

Worship Leader: Ruth Kitchin Tillman
Accompanist: Joyce Hall Song Leader: Faith King

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Prelude – Jim Pierce

Welcome and prayer – Ruth Kitchin Tillman

Call to worship

One: What does the Lord require of us?

All: To do Justice;

One: 'Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.'

All: To love kindness;

One: 'Blessed are the meek and humble, for they will inherit the earth.'

All: To walk humbly with our God;

One: 'Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.'

All: We come to learn, to praise, to pray;

One: We come to worship our God.

Peace Lamp

Singing

Come, Thou Fount – VT 563

As The Windsong Through the Trees – VT 373

Scripture – Galatians 5: verses 16,18,22-26, read by Molly Bletz

This I Believe – with Nathan Derstine

"I believe in wonder"

Calling the children forward for children's time, *Come and See* - VT 282

Children's Time – Paula Droege & Jon Brockopp

Sermon – Pastor Kate Heinzl

"I believe in planting seeds"

Communion – with music from Jim Pierce

Prayer - VT 942

Sharing time – Pastor Kate Heinzl

Singing

When Peace Like a River – VT 617

Glimpses of the Divine – *The Fruit of the Spirit's Not a Coconut*

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

Announcements/birthdays/anniversaries/introduction of visitors

Benediction

Announcements

Coming up – Check out the church calendar for more details

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

June 1, after worship – Celebration of Sunday school! Join us for a potluck outside (weather permitting) with yard games and relays for the children following the morning service.

June 2, 5 pm – Lights and Prayers for Peace at Allen St. Gates

June 3, 12 pm – Lectio Divina, Zoom

June 8, after worship – no second hour Sunday school

June 15, Church Around the Table (details below)

PRIDE Month is here! Here are ways to share God's love and peace with our neighbors...

Join others from UMC in walking in the State College Pride parade on June 7 at 10 am. Show your support for the LGBTQ community and join in the festivities. Let Joel Weidner (joelpsu82@outlook.com, 814.777.4494) know by May 27 if you would like to walk so you can be registered for a wrist band. All walkers must have wrist bands.

State College PRIDE Parade "Love Wall": Every year at Pride, anti-LGBT+ religious protestors show up and harass Pride attendees with hateful signs and language. Our local faith communities can help offset this negative impact by participating in a "Love Wall" to block these protestors from view throughout the day with flags and signs of affirmation and love for all people. Having their message of hate intentionally blocked from view by faith communities and faith-based messages of love will be an incredibly powerful signal to the LGBT+ that they are beloved, welcomed, and supported. Sign up here to be a part of the Love Wall -

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1byDK34t6ecuT8VEqjZaK62ASnYOPkMEQezCSgVN3j5w/edit?usp=sharing>

Announcements (cont.)

Laurelville Retreat Center, associated with Allegheny Mennonite Conference, is seeking prayer partners for its overnight youth and children's camps. Prayer partners would commit to daily prayer for a week of camp, record a video message for the campers and be in touch with the camp director about specific prayer requests. Let Bethany Spicher Schonberg know if you'd consider this, and she will connect you with camp director, Leah Rittenhouse.

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, or if you missed the first gathering! 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

It's time to consider how your gifts might be used in our church community in the coming year. It takes many persons with different gifts to share in the work of our church. Whether it's planning and participating in worship, helping to maintain our building, coordinating children's programs and activities, or keeping everyone informed about our ministries, (and lots of other things) young and old, and those in-between, are ALL needed to participate in the life and work of the church. You can volunteer by using any of the methods below.

1. Complete an online form at <https://forms.gle/LmWW2PCQzh5z4RGh6>
2. Send an email to Joel just listing the positions you are volunteering for.
3. Fill out a paper form (available in the foyer) and place in Joel's church mailbox.

Responses should be submitted by Sunday, June 22. We will be affirming volunteers for September at the June 29 congregational meeting. – Joel Weidner

Children in UMC worship – Children through fifth 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.)

Mennonite Church USA News –

Mennonite Church USA Moderator Jon Carlson echoes Paul's call for us to be reconciled to God and one another. Read more here: mennoniteusa.org/menno-snapshots/reconciled/

Mindy Nolt, who attends Blossom Hill Mennonite Church, Lancaster, Pennsylvania, reflects on how difficult it can be to find time and space to rest and regain her energy, especially as a Christian woman who has experienced the pressures that the Christian patriarchy has placed on her. Read more here: mennoniteusa.org/protecting-our-energy

New to UMC? Considering joining our email sharing list and online directory **Directory** - <https://universitymennonite.org/directory/>
Sharing List - <https://universitymennonite.org/email-sharing-list/>

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/>