Our Vision

Looking Up/Looking In/Looking Out in Service and Peace.

Sermon Notes 12/28/14 God's Peace Revealed

Sermon Title: "New Meets Old"	Guest Preacher: Karen Lichlyter-Klein

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Sermon Series: God's Peace Revealed 12/28/14

Our Mission/Purpose

The purpose of Mountain Community Mennonite Church is to nurture the love of God within ourselves, each other, the community and the world through the reconciling peace of Christ. Jesus is at the center of our faith. Community is at the center of our lives and reconciliation is at the center of our work.

All Are Welcome

Come Sust As You Are!

Our Focus Scripture for 2014

Colossians 3:12 -15

As Gods chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness and patience.

Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you must forgive.

Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony.

And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be Thankful!

Our Core Values

Reace Building/Growing/Serving/Discovering/Accepting/Believing

Final Sermon Series Message: Theology Christmas One, December 28, 2014 Sermon Series: Your Beauty Is Revealed

Focus Statement: Seeing the child, we respond join with all creation in adoration and praise.

Karen Lichlyter-Klein Visiting Preacher Worship Leader: Sharon Baker Song Leader: Don Graber

We Gather

Announcements Joys and Concerns Time of Quieting

Karen Lichlyter-Klein

Welcome

Call to Worship

Worship Leader and Congregation

(adapted from Luke 2 and Psalm 148)

Leader: Come, let us worship in faith the God who is here and desires our worship [pause]. Incarnate God, work in our hearts, that our worship would be filled with the joy that comes from remembering your beauty.

All: In a little child, God is revealed to us.

Leader: This is God's plan of freedom, held up for the nations to see.

People: A revealing light to all peoples, the glory of God's kingdom people.

Leader: We rejoice in our rescue and celebrate creation's redemption.

People: The hills and the mountains praise the Lord.

Leader: The animals, wild and tame, all kings and peoples of the earth; lightning

and

hail, snow and fog, women and men, old and young,

All: All praise the Lord together, our Messiah has come. Alleluia!

Lighting of the Advent Candle

Opening Prayer Worship Leader

Don Graber **Gathering Hymns**

Prayer of Confession

Moments with Children

Sending Prayer

Worship Leader and Congregation

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Karen Lichlyter-Klein

Leader: O Lord, we confess our joy in you. We cannot keep silent.

People: You came to live among us and have brought us salvation.

Leader: Your salvation is for all peoples, all cultures, all religious communities, all humanity.

People: Because you gave us a new name and have declared us beautiful, we cannot keep silent.

Leader: When the time was right, God sent us his Son.

People: Let us praise the Lord for drawing near to us, for coming among us.

Leader: Come, young and old, male and female, all God's people. Let us praise God together.

All: Our hearts are brimming with the Spirit of God. God's salvation is for all peoples. We will not keep silent!

We Grow In Worship

Moments with Children		Nae Stielleriberger
Guiding Scripture	Luke 2:22-40	Worship Leader
Proclaiming in Song		Don Graber
Sermon	"New Meets Old"	Karen Lichlyter-Klein

We Go Out to Serve

Offering and Advent Project: Donation	Worship Leader
Sending Song	Don Graber

Your worship service today was planned by the MCMC Worship Commission.

Events Calendar		
Tuesday's	1 st & 3 rd , Prayer Meeting at 6:00 p.m. at D. Brenneman's	
Friday's	Women's Bible Study, 0930-1130. Contact Rae for info.	
Saturday's	Men's Coffee- Saturday@6:30 AM Breakfast at Serrano's	
Wednesday	Elder's Board Meeting@12:30 on December 31st.	
Sunday	Annual Business Meeting on January 25 th	
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Announcements

MCMC Financial Update: To achieve the proposed 2014 budget of \$70,288, donations of \$1352 are needed per week. Last week's donations were \$XXXX.XX. MCMC needs additional money to achieve the 2014 budget by December 31st. Remember, any money given as a donation to MCMC may be used as a tax deduction for 2014!

Contributions for the Tri-Lakes Cares food drive continue to come in steadily. THANKS AGAIN FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!!!

TLC's top 6 items requested for the month of December are as follows:

Dry Stuffing Mix – bags or boxes Gravy – canned, jars, or mixes Boxed Potatoes Canned Yams – large cans Cranberry Sauce – jellied or whole Cream of Mushroom Soup

Please leave your donations in the black plastic tub in the upstairs church lobby. Thanks so much for continuing to help out our neighbors! – Joan Murphy

• Don't forget any clothes/\$5.00 gift cards for More Than a Meal.

Convention registration opens Jan. 15, 2015. Next summer may seem far away, but the Mennonite Church USA convention in Kansas City, June 30-July 5, 2015, will be here before you know it. Visit the convention website for all the latest news and to register beginning Jan. 15, 2015: www.MennoniteUSA.org/convention.

If you are interested in being a convention delegate, please contact Paul by January 10th.

January 25th Final Congregational Discernment and Key Priorities Decision Meeting (Annual Business Meeting)

Discovery Hour Study

Starting Jan. 4 we plan to begin a 6 session (approximate) series of topics related to end of life planning. While we did a related study when we looked at the book Final Gifts, this study will include some of the following topics: Alternatives to traditional burial, Necessary family conversations, Selecting persons for medical and financial powers of attorney, Document preparation, etc. We will work together to complete many of the documents which will direct activities in our behalf after our death. We will be using the study guide recently developed by Everence for this purpose. In order for us to estimate the number of study packets to prepare, we need for you to let us know of your intent to participate in this study by not later than Dec. 28. Any of you who have already completed your final directives are welcome to attend as well. Your experience will be useful in our learning.

Contact Teresa Barnes or Gayle Preheim who will be co-facilitating this class

Tear Here – Return to the Altar at Offering Time Joys, Concerns and Prayers for Peace		
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I have a joy <u>:</u>		
[] Elders Pray [] Congregational Prayer		
[] Keep Confidential Name :	(Not Required)	