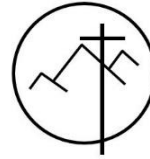


Mountain Community Mennonite Church
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Sunday, June 05, 2016

Join Us – We share God’s love by: Following Jesus,
Reconciling Community and Building Peace

“But those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will run and not get weary; they will walk and not grow faint.”

Sermon Series: What’s So Amazing About Grace?

9:15am *Gathering for Worship*

9:30am *Worship Begins*

11:10am *Discovery Hour*

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Silver Key - Golden Circle Nutrition Program

Senior Lunch in the Sanctuary 12:00-12:30pm Monday-Friday

Reservations (719) 884-2304 Before 5:00am

Mountain Community Senior Services (719) 488-0076

Worship service planned by MCMC Worship Commission

Sermon downloads are available on-line at <http://mcmcpl.org>

Order of Service

Speaker

Paul Johnson

Worship Leader

Mary Gardner

Song Leader

Judy Thiessen

We Gather

Announcements

Time of Quieting

Welcome

Call to Worship (from Psalm 5)

Leader: Come, let us worship and bow down in awe of God’s steadfast love for us.

People: For God gives ear to our words; God listens to the sound of our cries.

Leader: Come, let us take refuge in the God of our salvation.

People: For God is our shield, our protection in times of trouble.

Leader: Come, let us rejoice and sing for joy!

People: For God is surely in this place! Let us worship God!

We Grow in Worship

Opening Prayer

Opening Hymns

HWB 89 For the Beauty of the Earth

HWB 145 There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy

Joys and Concerns

Congregational Hymns

HWB 524 What Mercy and Divine Compassion

HWB 340 'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus

Offering and Prayer

Prayer of Confession

All: We confess, O God, that there are times when what we want far exceeds what we need. We often go to great lengths to acquire what we desire. Like King Ahab, we become resentful and sullen when we don’t get our way. We are reluctant to acknowledge the consequences of our own actions, ignoring Your cries for justice. Even when we live more simply, we remain tempted to judge what other people do and say. Our judgments produce labels that we apply with ease, erecting barriers to Your grace. How can we love our neighbors as ourselves with such barriers in place?

Silent Prayer

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Sisters and brothers, hear this good news: Forgiveness pours forth from God like tears of joy. No barrier you erect can obstruct the flow of these healing waters. Receive the gift of God’s forgiveness that you may be restored and filled with peace. Fully forgiven, you are empowered to show great love.

All: Thanks be to God! Amen.

Scriptures

Psalm 103:8-10 & Ephesians 2: 8-9

Sermon

“An Unnatural Act”

We Go Out to Serve

Sending Song

HWB 428 Lord, Let Us Now Depart in Peace

Sending Prayer

Sermon Notes



- Why is grace unnatural in this natural world of the secular and the sacred?
- How is grace related to forgiveness?
- Why is forgiveness so difficult? Why is it so important?



Birthdays and Anniversaries

5 Heidi Juell & Dennis Book
10 Faye & Clair Brenneman
13 Meredith & Gerry Oakes
14 Haley Eichelberger
25 Marilyn & Don Brenneman
25 Judy & Dan Thiessen
26 Jana & Gayle Preheim

Ongoing Events



- Women's Bible Study 9:30-11:30am each Friday. Contact Rae Shellenberger at 719.213.6931.
- Men's Coffee each Saturday at 8am at Serrano's.
- Each Saturday "More than a Meal Ministries" 8:00am at Legacy Wesleyan Church, 502 N. Walnut St., Colorado Springs, CO 80905.

Upcoming Special Events

Every church has an organizational culture. As leaders, you know that there are things that make your church different from other organizations and churches. Join Laura Lehman from Eastern Mennonite Seminary to explore your congregation's organizational culture. Learn how knowing more about that culture can inform your ministry and help you lead more effectively. The workshop will be held Thursday, June 23rd, 10:00am-3:00pm at Beth-El Mennonite Church. A suggested donation of \$15 per person covers lunch, snacks and supplies. RSVP by June 17 to annie@mountainstatesmc.org.

Announcements

- MCC Central States is hiring! We have an Immigration Education Coordinator position open for someone to be located in the Rio Grande Valley in Texas! Check it out and pass it on to anyone who might be interested: www.mcc.org/serve-cs-iec for more details or contact Heidi Huber at 316.283.2720, heidihuber@mcc.org.

- Youth Venture is accepting applications for the July 15-25 Los Angeles team! Partner with Mtn. View Mennonite Church and ReconciliAsian as they minister to the community through VBS, peace center, and other various services. Ages 14-22 can apply by June 15 at MennoniteMission.net/Serve, or contact ArloaB@MennoniteMission.net for inquiries.
- Mennonite Voluntary Service is accepting applications for 2016-2017! Opportunities to serve and live in community with others are still open in a variety of placements and locations, including Puerto Rico. Ages 20+ can apply at MennoniteMission.net/Serve, or contact NeilR@MennoniteMission.net for inquiries.

Opportunities to Help



- **Urgent need:** MCC needs colored pencils (12/pkg) to complete school kits, as well as receiving blankets (30"-36" lightweight fleece or flannel) for infant care kits. If you shop online, you can purchase items and have them shipped to our Material Resource Center (121 E. 30th, North Newton, KS 67117). Items for all other MCC kits are welcome, but the pressing needs are for colored pencils and receiving blankets. Thank you for your generosity!
- Our Golden Circle site manager, Louise, is looking for a **rental home** in the Tri-Lakes area. Please contact the church office if you have any info.
- **Tri-Lakes Cares** needs the following items during May, June, & July: Shampoo, Pancake Mix, Sugar. Other food and toiletry items and diapers are always appreciated, too! Please place donations in the TLC tub.