

Sunday, January 08, 2017

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

Faith in the Public Square

"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."

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

Mountain Community Senior Services (719) 488-0076

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

Order of Service

Speaker Paul Johnson

Worship Leader Rae Shellenberger

Song Leader Dennis Book

We Gather

Welcome

Announcements

Time of Quieting

Call to Worship

Leader: Come, all who are gathered to worship God:

People: Give our God glory and strength!

Leader: Let us sing to God the glory of God's name.

People: Worship God in holy splendor!

Leader: The voice of our God is over the waters.

People: The God of glory thunders over mighty waters.

We Grow in Worship

Opening Prayer

Opening Hymns

Prayers of the People and Sharing the Graces

Congregational Hymns

Offering and Prayer

Peace Moment: Where have you acted or seen others act for peace this past week?

Prayer of Confession

All: God of heaven and earth, You see all things. You know the depths of our hearts better than we can know ourselves. You know the great heights to which we aspire and the depth of our failures when we fall short of doing what we know is right. We ask for Your mercy and forgiveness for our selfishness and fears. Help us to walk as the faithful representatives You call us to be. Create in us the grace of Christ toward those with whom we disagree, just as He extended it to those who conspired against Him. Amen.

Words of Assurance

Leader: God truly shows no partiality. In every nation, anyone who reverences God and does what is right is acceptable to God. Just as the prophets testified in the Scriptures, everyone who believes in God receives forgiveness of sins through God's name.

Scriptures Acts 19:1-9

Sermon "Living Out Loud"

We Go Out to Serve

Sending Song

Sending Prayer

Sermon Notes



Paul, in the Book of Acts, 19:1-9 travels to a strange town and asks two questions in the public square ... What does he want to know?

There are two groups of people in the public square:

- What was the believers' response?
- What was the doubters' response?

What would you say to the public challenge of your faith? What is your faith?

"Faith is not preparing for life, it is life."

Live it out Loud this year!

Sermon downloads available online at http://mcmcpl.org



Birthdays and Anniversaries

8 Karen Wiens 10 Hadley Hiebert, Steve Diller

15 Rollin Murphy 17 Teresa Barnes

19 Mary Veatch 29 Steve Hiebert, Judy Thiessen

31 Ian Klein, Ken Smith



Ongoing Events

- Pastor Paul will be in the office Thursday. Please call for appointments.
- Women's Bible Study 9:30-11:30am Fridays.
 Contact Rae Shellenberger at 719.213.6931.
- o Men's Coffee each Saturday at 7am at Serrano's.
- "More than a Meal Ministries" 8am Saturdays at Legacy Wesleyan Church, 502 N. Walnut St., Colorado Springs, CO 80905.



Upcoming Special Events

The annual MCMC business meeting will be held on Sunday, January 29, 2017 at 10:53 AM. Copies of the agenda have been distributed to mailboxes. Please plan to attend, and thanks in advance for your participation!



Announcements

Elders are asking clusters to meet within the next month. They would like to visit with each cluster to hear thoughts

on the past year and to consider the idea of a long-term pastoral team. Elders hope to visit each cluster before the annual business meeting at the end of January. Thank you!

Opportunities to Help



In your mailbox is a "We are..." flier from Mountain States Mennonite Conference. We hope you take time to read through the flier that describes many of the pieces that come together to make MSMC a living mosaic. We also invite financial support. Here are three ways to do it:

- 1. Donate online at <u>www.mountainstatesmc.org</u>. Click on the donate button.
- 2. Set up an automatic donation through your bank's online bill-pay system.
- 3. Create an automatic bank withdrawal through Everence Financial*.

You can also donate by check made payable to Mountain States Mennonite Conference and mailed to 430 W. 9th Avenue, Denver, CO 80204.

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