

# Sunday, February 12, 2017

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

Sermon Series: Faith in the Public Square
"We are a new creation in Christ - leading us in the
ministry of peace and reconciliation." 2 Corinthians 5

**9:15am** *Gathering for Worship* 

9:30am Worship Begins

11:10am Discovery Hour

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Your worship service today was planned by the MCMC Worship Commission. Sermon downloads available online at http://mcmcpl.org.

# **Order of Service**

Speaker Amy Zimbelman

Worship Leader Jake Eichelberger

Song Leader Dennis Book

We Gather

Welcome

**Announcements** 

**Time of Quieting** 

We Grow in Worship

**Opening Prayer** 

**Opening Hymns** 

**Prayers of the People and Sharing the Grace** 

**Congregational Hymns** 

**Offering and Prayer** 

**Litany for Refugees** 

Leader: Mighty Lord, as You guided the Israelites through

the wilderness,

People: be a pillar of fire by night and a pillar of cloud by day for refugees in search of new hope and new

life.

Leader: As You brought the Israelites out of bondage to

freedom,

People: bring refugees out of persecution to safety.

Leader: As You protected the Israelites through 40 years in

the desert,

People: protect those who languish for years in refugee camps.

Leader: Wipe away their tears of sorrow,

People: that their mourning may give way to joyous hope.

Leader: Put an end to warfare and tyranny,

People: that some may return home without fear of violence.

Leader: Open the doors of safer nations,

People: that some may find new homes in new lands.

Leader: Rebuild their lives,

People: that they might enjoy the fruit of labors in peace.

Leader: Restore their material goods,

People: that they might sustain their families in prosperity.

Leader: Revive their hope,

People: that they might face a future with promise.

Leader: Shine Your grace upon them, **People: that they might know Your love.** 

Leader: Strengthen their bonds of friendship and family,

People: that they might serve one another with encouraging love.

Leader: And inspire Your churches to welcome the stranger,

People: that together we might build communities of hope where strangers become neighbors and friends, and brothers and sisters. *Amen.* 

Scriptures

Sermon

Exodus 22:21, Matthew 25:31-46
"Seeing the Sojourner"

We Go Out to Serve

**Sending Song** 

**Sending Prayer** 

#### **Sermon Notes**



What questions do you still have about refugees and immigrants or the immigration process today?

The Bible is chock-full of people on the move. What is your favorite biblical immigration story?

How are we as a church already "seeing" the stranger as our brother and sister, and as Christ Himself? How can we see these folks even more clearly?



# **Birthdays & Anniversaries**

12 Cheryl Yost 16 Clair Brenneman 19 Don Brenneman 14 Gayle Preheim, Lynn Roth 17 Mary Johnson 27 Fran & Tim Yoder (A)

# Ongoing Events SCHE



- Pastor Paul will be in office Thursday and Friday, and Pastor Amy will be in office Monday this week.
   Please call for appointments.
- Women's Bible Study 9:30-11:30am Fridays.
   Contact Rae Shellenberger at 719.213.6931.
- 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**

**Celebrate with us** as we mark Pastor Amy's licensing toward ordination during service next Sunday, Feb. 19.

Special speaker! Invite your friends and family to join us February 19 for a timely, compelling message by Amy Zimbelman's friend who experienced the Rwandan crisis.

**MEAL TO SHARE on Sunday, Feb. 19th** following morning service. Come and bring friends, as well as a dish to share!

The Colorado Mennonite Disaster Services unit is celebrating the support you have given victims of major disasters over the last three years, and you are invited to our celebration! All MDS reps and pastors are encouraged to attend this "thank you" luncheon on Sat., Feb. 25, 11:45-1:00 at Peace Mennonite, 13601 E. Alameda Avenue, Aurora Co 80012). Entrance is off lower parking lot, and we will meet in the lower level. (Please RSVP to <a href="mcmcsecretary@gmail.com">mcmcsecretary@gmail.com</a> by February 20th.) Questions? Contact Paul Johnson at 720-880-8773.

On March 19 at 2pm, Rocky Ford Mennonite Church will host a meeting to discuss a long-term plan for the Rocky

Mountain MCC Relief Sale. We encourage as many as possible to attend and give input to the Board and booth Chairs. Maynard Knapp of Newton, KS will be attending.



Enjoy an evening of dinner and entertainment, and support the programs of Village Arts at our first annual Valentine's Day Benefit! The perfect Valentine's Day date night—or bring the whole family—includes a delicious meal and musical program. Held in Leonard Hall at Village Seven Presbyterian Church, tickets\*\* are \$15 each and include dinner, dessert, and beverages. Purchase tickets online (https://villageartscs.ticketleap.com/village-arts-first-annual-valentines-day-benefit/), or email us at contact@villageartscs.org for alternative arrangements.

Join the fun at Young Adult Snow Camp Feb. 24-26, at RMMC. Hannah Heinzekehr, Exec. Director of *The Mennonite*, will share on "This is Us: The Faith-Filled Stories We Tell." Cost is \$80 and online registration is available at <a href="https://www.rmmc.org">www.rmmc.org</a> or call 719-687-9506.

# **Opportunities to Help/Prayer Request**

Clair continues to recover from a fall and subsequent hospitalization/surgery, and he and Faye appreciate the support they have received from so many already. At this point, Clair needs rest in the hospital and when he first comes home, so cards & prayers are welcome; Faye will let us know when he can receive visitors. Thanks!



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