

Sunday, March 19, 2017

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

Lent 3

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.

Sermon downloads available at http://mcmcpl.org

Order of Service

Speaker Amy Zimbelman

Worship Leader Mary Gardner

Song Leader Judy Thiessen

Children's Time Rae Shellenberger

We Gather

Welcome

Announcements

Time of Quieting

Call to Worship

Leader: In a dry land,

All: Restore us, O God.

Leader: As the woman went about her task of collecting

water, and as we go about our daily tasks,

All: Restore us, O God.

Leader: We thirst. Receive our work and our worship as

signs of our yearning for You.

We Grow in Worship

Opening Prayer

Opening Hymns HWB #12 Come, let us all unite to sing

HWB #474 | I hunger and I thirst

Prayers of the People and Sharing the Grace

Congregational Hymns

HWB #598 A wonderful Savior is Jesus SJ #29 You are all we have

Offering and Prayer

With all that we have and all that we are, we honor You. Restore us, O God, to live in freedom and trust.

Prayer of Confession

Leader: O God, You give us what we need each day. When we forget that Your divine presence is in our daily tasks and routines,

All: Forgive us, Spirit of God.

Leader: When we forget that You are more than enough to fill us up,

All: Forgive us, Christ who is Living Water.

Words of Assurance

Leader: Let all who thirst, come and be forgiven. In your work and your worship, come each day and draw freely from the well of our Lord. It is a well that will never run dry.

Scriptures John 4:5-42

Sermon "The (Lenten) Practice of Carrying Water"

We Go Out to Serve

Sending Song HWB #430 God be with you

Sending Prayer

Revived by Christ's thirst-quenching love, may you embark upon your daily routines with a renewed sense of the divine presence.



"If all life is holy, then anything that sustains life has holy dimensions too." Tell about your relationship with life-

sustaining tasks that are considered mundane. Have these ever had spiritual significance for you?

Do you think the Church has treated bodies and bodily/manual labor as important? Why or why not? How have class and gender affected how we view certain tasks?



Birthdays and Anniversaries

19 Dennis Book 26 Rae Shellenberger 30 Dean Williams

Ongoing Events

- Pastors Paul and Amy will be in the office Tuesday afternoon 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 Saturdays at 7am at Serrano's.
- "More than a Meal" 8am Saturdays, Legacy
 Wesleyan Church, 502 N Walnut, Co Springs.

Upcoming Special Events

Please stay and enjoy a meal-to-share following service!
During lunch, those who are interested can come to a
GARDENING 101 conversation with our very own Gayle
Preheim. Gayle has had a successful garden for many years
and is willing to answer questions about everything from
soil quality to keeping out pests to this area's climate and
growing season. If your gardening skills are stuck in a rut,
then this Q&A conversation is for you!

You are invited to attend Don Brenneman's memorial service at MCMC on Saturday, March 25th, at 10 AM, with

lunch served at 11:15. Please join us as we honor and celebrate Don's life and legacy with his family and friends.

Announcements

Interested in serving as an MCMC delegate to the Mennonite Church USA conference in Orlando FL July 4-8? Please let Gayle P., Jake E., or Rae S. know by March 24. This event includes two days of business sessions and three days as a delegate to the Future Church Summit. For information regarding the summit, see Sharon Baker.

Please have announcements, service info/songs, meeting handouts, etc. in to the MCMC church office by end of day Wednesdays if possible. Thank you from your office administrator, who appreciates your help and patience with her part-time schedule!

Time, talent, treasure! Elders are interested in everyone having the ability to participate in our ministries, and will be sending out a gifts discernment inventory. We hope to see everyone developing and utilizing their "3 T's."

A Faith and Life Forum will be held Sat., April 29 at Beth-El from 9am-12pm, featuring Drew G.I. Hart, author of Trouble I've Seen: Changing the Way the Church Views Racism. A freewill offering will be taken, with lunch provided. See flyer on sanctuary bulletin board!

Opportunities to Help

If you could provide pie for Don Brenneman's memorial service, please talk with Barb, Rae or Sharon. We could also use purchased salads for the lunch meal if you prefer not to bake. Thanks for your generosity and help!

We are looking for help with a very simple tax return for Marilyn Brenneman. If able to assist, talk to Pastor Amy.

Help Camp Spare the Trees! Sat., March 25, beginning at 8:30 AM, spend a day in the woods at Rocky Mountain Mennonite Camp treating spruce trees with bug repellent. Last year's treatment made a big difference in how many trees became infested and needed to be harvested. We lost about 140 trees first season, and only about 60 the second. As of now, the infested number for 2017 looks lower. With a warm spring, we need a large group of hikers to staple packets to 1500+ trees. If you have a Stanley type T-50 staple gun, please bring it. Sign up online or call 719-687-9506.

More than 20 million people across Yemen, Somalia, S. Sudan and northeast Nigeria are facing or are at risk of famine. MCC is working in the area to provide emergency food assistance and increase its response to the crisis. Because of serious conflicts and concerns for safe, unimpeded access for humanitarian assistance, this process is slow and challenging. To donate to MCC's relief fund, visit mcc.org/learn/what/relief, call 1-888-563-4676 or send a check to MCC, PO Box 500, Akron, PA 17501-0500.

Rocky Mtn Mennonite Camp needs food service volunteers:

March 24-26: a youth guest group

May 17-21: a quilt retreat and outdoor group

May 27-29: Memorial Day Work & Play retreat

June 4-10: Colorado Roots Music Camp

Contact Mary Yoder (mary.rmmc@gmail.com or 719-687-9506) or online using "Volunteer" link at www.rmmc.org.



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