Mountain Community Mennonite Church Box 502 Palmer Lake, CO 80133 (719) 481-3155



Sunday, May 21, 2017

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

"We are a new creation in Christ - leading us in the ministry of peace and reconciliation." 2 Corinthians 5 Sermon Series Identity Crisis: What does it mean to be Mennonite?

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 Worship Leader Song Leader Amy Zimbelman Rae Shellenberger Judy Thiessen

We Gather

Welcome Announcements Time of Quieting Call to Worship Leader: We long for right relationships, People: For a time when the lion will lay down with the lamb. Leader: We long for justice, People: For a place where everyone has a seat at the table. Leader: We long for the kingdom of heaven on earth, People: For a beloved community, full of peace and joy. All: We lift up these longings to you. May we be ambassadors of your ministry of reconciliation.

We Grow in Worship

Opening Prayer

Opening Hymns

HWB #37 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty HWB #407 We are people of God's peace

Prayers of the People and Sharing the Grace

Congregational Hymns

HWB #367 For the healing of the nations HWB #310 How good a thing it is

Offering and Prayer

Prayer of Confession

People: God, we confess that we are often segregated from brothers and sisters who are different from us. We confess that we benefit from structures of privilege. We confess that we often lose hope when we think of confronting the powers and principalities that seek to hurt and destroy.

Words of Assurance

Leader: God's power is stronger than the powers of this world. God is with us, strengthening us for the ministry of racial reconciliation. Be full of boldness and love as you seek to learn from the diversity of God's creation.

Scriptures Ephesians 6:10-13, 2 Corinthians 5:16-21

Sermon

"Undoing Racism: Learning, Lamenting, and Listening"

Communion

We Go Out to Serve

Sending Song

HWB #306 In Christ there is no East or West

Sending Prayer



If we think of race and racism as human constructs, how does that change things?

If so much of racism is due to systemic powers and principalities, what types of work might combat these powers?

What are steps we can take to de-segregate so that it's possible for us (who are white) to listen to and lament with folks of color?

Sermon downloads available online at <u>http://mcmcpl.org</u>



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Ongoing Events

- Pastor Amy will be in office Tue. & Pastor Paul's day will be Thurs. 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.



Thank you to all who traveled to Westcliffe on Saturday to support the Amish Auction, those who came to Denver Saturday to support Mennonite Disaster Service and Tiny Home Building (continuing Mon/Tue/Wed and Sat. next week, all welcome)! Also, we are grateful for MCSS and their continued service -- their volunteer appreciation celebration tea was held at MCMC last Tuesday.



Meal to Share TODAY. Please stay for food & fellowship!

Everence Sunday - May 28. The sermon will be on the Mennonite Identity of Stewardship and Mutual Aid to Others. Our guests for Discovery Hour will be Rhoda Blough and Dennis LeFever from Everence.

Mark your calendar for Mountain States Mennonite Conference, Aug. 4-6 at Ponderosa (east of I-25 & north of County Line Road on Furrow Road). More info soon!

Shower for Baby Zimbelman on June 3. Mark your calendar – all are invited, men women and children!

Be at the lake this summer! MCMC & Beth-El Mennonite will hold our partnership picnic July 29 at Palmer Lake gazebo. Invite friends -- enjoy fishing, canoeing, biking, wading, etc. Bring table service and lawn chairs; MCMC will provide meat and Beth-El will provide sides.

The Ascent Church fundraiser, *Run to the Ascent*, is June 17 at 9am. See http://www.theascentchurch.com/5k1.



Announcements

Summer camps at Rocky Mountain Mennonite Camp are weeks away. Campers will explore faith in God, focusing on a relationship with Jesus that gives freedom to fully enjoy life. To learn more, visit <u>www.rmmc.org</u>.

Join a ministry of hospitality and compassion in Germany. Info at <u>www.MennoniteMission.net/JourneyInternational</u> or contact SharonN@MennoniteMission.net.



Spruce beetles are at it again! Rocky Mountain Mennonite Camp is working with MDS to remove dead/dying trees. Season current count is 17 trees that need to be cut (more may be identified), continuing the effort to minimize the beetle's spread AND ensure safety of campers and facilities. May 25–June 3 MDS will be onsite to fell, cut up, and use the chipper to turn slash (branches) into mulch. If you can help for some or all of those days, call 719-687-9506; we'll be sure to feed you and offer a place to sleep!

MCC Material Resources Center in Kansas is running low on the following: bottles of shampoo (13-24 oz), bars of infant friendly/mild soap, infant sleepers/onesies (sizes 3-9 months), men's crew socks (white). Without these items, various kits cannot be completed, so we need your help! Supplies can be dropped off at 121 E. 30th in N. Newton or purchased online (Amazon Smile or other online retailers) and shipped directly to MCC. Questions? Contact Kate Mast 316.283.2720 or katemast@mcc.org.

Tri-Lakes Cares Food Pantry needs for May: *Chili, Cooking Oil, Toilet Paper*. Thanks for any contributions!

Looking for a way to spend some free time? RMMC needs volunteers to help with food service during upcoming retreats. Contact Mary Yoder: mary.rmmc@gmail.com or 719-687-9506. You can also sign up at www.rmmc.org.

May 27-29: Memorial Day Work & Play retreat June 4-10: Colorado Roots Music Camp



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