

# Mountain Community Mennonite Church

*Welcome Friends!*

Join Us – We Share God’s Love by Following Jesus,  
Reconciling Community, Building Peace

**9:15am** Gathering for Worship   **9:30am** Worship   **11:10am** Discovery Hour

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**Elders:** Jake Eichelberger, Gayle Preheim, Rae Shellenberger

***“We are a new creation in Christ - leading us in the ministry of peace and reconciliation.”*** 2 Corinthians 5

*Sermon Series: Poems, Prayers and Promises*  
July 2, 2017

Speaker  
Worship Leader  
Song Leader  
Soundroom

Paul Johnson  
Dennis Book  
Judy Thiessen  
Dan Thiessen

## WE GATHER

Welcome  
Announcements  
Time of Quietening  
Call to Worship

One: God is gracious and merciful.

***All: God’s bounty is love.***

One: We are all God’s beloved.

***All: We listen for God’s voice.***

One: Leaping upon mountains, bounding over hills,

***All: Gazing through the lattice, we look and seek God’s face.***

## WE GROW IN WORSHIP

Opening Prayer  
Opening Hymns

**HWB #37** Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

**HWB #74** We would extol thee

Prayers of the people and sharing the grace....

Congregational Hymns

**HWB #353** Lord, listen to your children

**HWB #327** Great is thy faithfulness

Offering and Prayer

Prayer of Confession

Leader: Friends in Christ: I invite you to conjure your image of Jesus. Can you see Him?

***All: The humble man who healed? The One Who gave everything so freely? The One Who cared and noticed and never turned His back?***

Leader: Good people, we, you and I, were created by and in that very same image. We were created to follow that example: to be humble, to offer healing, to give abundantly, to care, to notice, to pay attention to the need that surrounds us.

***All: At times, we follow Jesus. And, at times, we do not.***

Leader: In the stillness of this hour, God invites us to consider the ways in which we do – and do not – follow Jesus' example. And, God invites us to invite God's grace into our lives so that we can more closely follow Jesus' lead, cleaning out everything within us that would function to get in God's way. Let us do just that in the moments ahead:

*Silence*

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Friends in Christ, there is Good News for us all to hear – news so good that we should rise to hear it.

*The congregation is invited to rise.*

Leader: The God made known to us in Jesus Christ, the God to Whom the Psalmist sings, the God Whom generations praise and in Whom the Spirit dwells is a good God, a gentle God who is slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. God sees it all, and God loves us anyway. God knows it all, and God forgives, anyway.

***All: Through Christ, our sins are forgiven. Thanks be to God.***

Scriptures  
Sermon

Psalm 145:8-14  
“Gratitude is an Attitude”

## **WE GO OUT TO SERVE**

Sending Song  
Sending Prayer

**SS #57** Go, my friends, in grace

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

## **Sermon Notes**



## **July Birthdays**

*7 Kim Hiebert*

*12 Karen Mortensen*

## **Ongoing Events**

- Please contact Karen M. in the church office for appointments/calls with Pastor Paul or Pastor Amy.
- Women’s Bible Study 9:30-11:30 am Fridays. Contact Rae Shellenberger at 719.213.6931.
- Men’s Coffee Saturdays at 7am at Serrano’s.



## **Announcements**

***We will be moving our church service*** to Ponderosa on Sunday, Aug 6, to coordinate with this year’s MSMC Annual Assembly. Judy will be our delegate, so anyone in the congregation may discuss issues or encouragement with her. Assembly will be at Ponderosa Retreat and Conference Center August 4-6, 2017. Nestled in the pine-covered foothills of the Rockies, Ponderosa is 650-acres of retreat and relaxation just east of I-25

between Denver and Colorado Springs. Registration is now open. Go to <http://www.mountainstatesmc.org/annual-assembly/> for information. Come if you can. Pay what you can. Pay more if you can.

**Nurture Commission asks us to continue** sending cards and prayers to Elsie Bohrer, longtime MCMC member, who is battling the return of cancer: Elsie Bohrer, 107 Hill Country Dr., Georgetown, TX 78633.

### Opportunities to Help

**Thanks so much to all** who are contributing to the Tri-Lakes Cares Food Pantry! Needs during the month of July are as follows:

- ❖ *Coconut Milk (shelf stable, not refrigerated)*
- ❖ *Tomato Sauce*
- ❖ *Mixed vegetables – canned*
- ❖ *Oatmeal*



**From Gerry: Minions needed** for MCMC outdoor clean-up day, July 15 at 9am-noon. We will paint safety markings, mow, trim bushes & clean windows in outside doors. Please bring mowers, string trimmers, safety glasses, work gloves &/or whatever else we might need. All are welcome (read “needed”). BTW, I am pretty sure there are girl minions too!

**Children & MCMC!** If you'd like to help with children's activities/supervision on a rotating basis at MCMC, see Pastor Amy. To help with childcare for August assembly at Ponderosa Retreat Center, please talk with Karen M.

**Crafters!** Do you sew, knit, crochet, bead, glue, or make items by hand? Are you able to donate a few items that will be sold to benefit Mennonite Central Committee at the Relief Sale in October? Please price your items and bring them to the sale Friday evening or early Saturday morning. Contact Jeni Hiatt Umble ([jeni.umble@gmail.com](mailto:jeni.umble@gmail.com)) with questions or for information. Thanks!

General Fund Donations Through May  
Budget **\$34,040.44** Actual **\$35,374.28**

Silver Key Golden Circle Nutrition Program Senior Lunch in Sanctuary  
12-12:30pm Mon-Fri; Reservations (719) 884-2304 Before 5:00am  
Mountain Community Senior Services (719) 488-0076