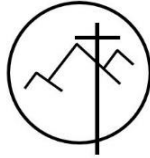


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**September 23, 2018**

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: God’s Dreams for Us*

**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** Dennis Book  
**Song Leader** Judy Thiessen

## ***We Gather***

**Welcome**

**Announcements**

**Time of Quieting**

**Call to Worship**

Leader: Welcome! We are invited today to love deeply—to  
grow in being more like God, Who is love.

**People: May we hold Your love ever before us, as  
individuals and a community.**

***All: May Your love fill us today. Amen.***

## ***We Grow in Worship***

**Opening Prayer**

**Opening Hymns**

HWB #89 For the beauty of the earth, verses 1,2,4,5

SS #121 Nothing is lost on the breath of God

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

**Congregational Hymns**

HWB #305 Where charity and love prevail

HWB #411 I bind my heart this tide

**Offering and Prayer**

**Peace Moment**

**Heidi Juell**

**Where have you acted or seen others act for peace this  
past week?**

**Prayer of Confession**

Leader: We are a people who want to love deeply, but  
when the situation arises, we shy away...or we  
instead choose to act like we’re indestructible and  
powerful rather than take on the vulnerability that  
love requires.

***All: Forgive us, Loving God.***

**Words of Assurance**

Leader: God is always drawing us into loving relationship,  
with Jesus as our example and the Spirit  
empowering us.

***All: Thanks be to God!***

**Scriptures**

**I Corinthians 13:1-13**

**Sermon**

**“The Greatest of These”**

## ***We Go Out to Serve***

**Sending Song**

HWB #423 May the grace of Christ our Savior

**Sending Prayer**

## ***Sermon Notes***

"AND NOW THESE  
THREE REMAIN:  
FAITH, HOPE AND LOVE.  
BUT THE GREATEST OF THESE  
IS LOVE."

♥ I Corinthians 13:13



*What did those stories have to say about love? What did  
those stories have to say about power and vulnerability?*

Did these stories make you think of any experiences from your own life?

As we look at both tradition and innovation in the coming months and years, how can valuing Love guide us as Mountain Community Mennonite Church? What might Love work to change in us? What might Love affirm?



### Birthdays Anniversaries

23 Cheryl & Winston Yost (A)

27 Heidi Juell

### Ongoing Events

- Pastors Paul and Amy will have office hours on Tuesday. For appointments, call 720-880-8773 (Paul) or 719-985-7649 (Amy).
- 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.

### Upcoming Special Events

**Mary Magdalene's Journey-a Blues Gospel**, will be performed **today** at 4pm at Beth-El (flyer on bulletin board). Freewill offering supports the work of RAWtools.

**MSMC Immigration RoundTable** is next weekend, Sept. 28-30 in Aurora and Ft. Collins. There is no cost; details on web page, along with a registration form. *Please register by September 25.* Even if you do not plan to attend Saturday, you are welcome Friday at 6pm for reflection/prayer (see web page for meeting location) and the monthly potluck at 7pm at Casa de Paz (for potluck info, email [sjackson@casadepazcolorado.org](mailto:sjackson@casadepazcolorado.org)).

**Mark your calendars** for the annual MCC Relief Sale, Oct. 19-20, at the Arkansas Valley Fairgrounds in Rocky Ford.



### Announcements

**MennoMedia needs help to make** the new *Voices Together* hymnal a reality by Fall 2020. Before any copies are sold, MennoMedia will invest \$700,000+. Everence and MCC US have issued a matching grant challenge of up to \$100,000 to help in this final fundraising effort. Make a gift and have it doubled at [VoicesTogetherHymnal.org](http://VoicesTogetherHymnal.org). Every voice and dollar count!

**MSMC** now has a mid-month *Zinglet!*, focusing on happenings in congregations. Subscribe for email newsletters: <https://mountainstatesmc.org/conference-life/newsletter/>.

**From MC USA:** This summer, the *Holding It Together* podcast of MC USA Women's Leadership is focusing on "Breaking Silences," conversations that have been put off for too long. Listen on Apple Podcasts, Stitcher or online <https://themennonite.org/the-latest/holding-together-podcast/>.

**Register now for Women Doing Theology**, Nov. 8-10, 2018, to join MC USA's Women in Leadership in building upon a history of Anabaptist theologians, ministers, teachers, activists, creatives and others gathering to do theological work born out of women's experiences. Find out more and register: <http://mennoniteusa.org/wdt18>.

### Correction

**From Linda Wyse with MCC Relief Sale**, regarding last week's announcement: I apologize for an error; please see

that the **contact person for the Pantry** has been changed: Diane Fowler, [rmfowler@bresman.net](mailto:rmfowler@bresman.net).

### Mennonite Mission Network Prayer Request

**Martine Audéoud, Gary Wittig**, and their son, Samuel, have made their home in France to care for Martine's father. Pray for Gary & Samuel to adjust to the culture, and Martine's service as a seminary teacher in Ivory Coast.

**WE NEED YOUR HELP**

### Opportunities to Help

**Three pennies** buys fresh water for a day for a child in a refugee camp. Please give 3 cents/week to Penny Power!

**From Barb E.:** We hope to provide 100 school kits for the Relief Sale. You may still purchase items or donate money to purchase kit components. Also, Empty Bowls is in need of pies and/or other desserts. See Barb if you can help.

**Beth-El Mennonite is making** 1500 bierocks for October's MCC Sale. We would love to have MCMC people help on **September 29**. Sign-up at link below (for help with online access, contact Karen, MCMC office):

[https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/14mkyVaGF3J6geiYjj-cd2q28P39VrJQ0rO\\_gSOzOCM4/htmlview](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/14mkyVaGF3J6geiYjj-cd2q28P39VrJQ0rO_gSOzOCM4/htmlview)

**Tri-Lakes Cares needs:** *Healthy Snacks for Kids' Snack Pack program, Canned Fruits, Soups, Broths, Tea, Refried Beans*

**Rocky Mountain Mennonite Camp** relies on volunteers. Call 719-687-9506, email [info@rmmc.org](mailto:info@rmmc.org), or go to [rmmc.org](http://rmmc.org) & click "Volunteer" to see available slots.

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### General Fund Donations Through July

Budget \$44,776.64 Actual **\$43,672.83**