

Sunday, February 24, 2019

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

Sermon Series: Naming and Reclaiming Power

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

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Your worship service today was planned by the MCMC Worship Commission.

Sermon downloads available: http://mcmcpl.org

Order of Service

Speaker Paul Johnson

Worship Leader Dan Thiessen

Song Leader Dennis Book

We Gather

Welcome

Announcements

Time of Quieting

Call to Worship

Leader: Where do we find You, Holy One, and how do we

follow? Find Me at your table,

People: Share your food.

Leader: Find Me in your resources,

People: Share your riches.

Leader: Find Me in your power,

People: Share your mercy.

Leader: Find me in your pain,

People: Share your forgiveness.

Leader: Find me in your generosity,

People: Share all, and expect nothing in return.

Leader: In community, seek My holiness, shown in love, in generosity, in joy. In the world, share My desire:

justice, mercy, peace for all.

We Grow in Worship

Opening Prayer

Opening Hymns

Scripture

Prayers of the People and Sharing the Grace

Psalm 37:1-11

Congregational Hymns

Offering and Prayer

Peace Moment

Where have you acted or seen others act for peace?

Prayer of Confession

Leader: Holy One, Your call is deceptively simple: "Do to others as you would have them do to you." And yet, we cling to self-serving ways which separate us from Your beloved creation. You call us to turn our lives around, to risk repentance and learn forgiveness, to work with patience and diligence to prepare the way for Your Reign, but we get discouraged and give up too soon.

All: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: You call us to be full of joyful confidence to create community where all have enough for abundant life, but we burden ourselves with anxiety and fear.

All: Christ, have mercy.

Leader: You call us to speak out in the presence of injustice, but too often we do not challenge words and actions rooted in hate.

All: Holy One, have mercy.

Words of Assurance

Leader: Our God is good, and generous, and loving: Trust in Jesus' promise: "Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap;

for the measure you give will be the measure you get back."

Scriptures

Luke 6:27-38

Sermon

"Power to Judge"

We Go Out to Serve

Sending Song

Sending Prayer



- The Luke passage has a cluster of clues for living: Judge to be judged, condemn to be condemned, forgive, give. What's the point?
- Jesus asks the question, "Can the blind lead the blind?" To whom is He speaking?
- Psalm 37 says, "Do not fret, trust. Commit and trust. For the meek shall inherit the world"... Who are they?



Birthdays

Anniversaries

February 27 Tim and Fran Yoder (A)

March

7 Brenda & Ken Smith (A) 10 Anne Krill

15 Luke Mortensen 16 Ella Mortensen 18 Sidney Archer

19 Dennis Book

22 Sona Vardanyan

26 Rae Shellenberger

30 Dean Williams



Ongoing Events

- For appointments with Pastors Paul or Amy, 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

Goshen College choir and orchestra is performing this evening at Beth-El Mennonite at 7pm. All are invited!

NEXT WEEK, Sunday, March 3, our sermon will be brought by Wilmer Villacorta, PhD, who serves as Associate Professor of Intercultural Studies at Fuller Seminary and has been worshipping here at MCMC for a few months. Author of *Tug of War: The Downward Ascent of Power*, he will add his insightful voice to our sermon series, "Naming and Reclaiming Power." Invite a friend!

Plan to attend the new Women's Retreat at RMMC, March 15-17. Register online: (www.rmmc.org).

Registration is open for the 2019 Faith & Life Forum, March 29-30 at Glennon Heights in Lakewood! Suggested registration donation: \$30. Visit

https://mountainstatesmc.org/2019-faith-life-forum/.

TiLT's Watershed Way Summer Institute is an 8-week residency in June-July aimed at young adults, ages 18-30. Tuition: \$1,995 (about \$35/day for lodging, food, utilities, classes, programming, gear and staff.) Partial Scholarships

available. Early Bird Application [20% off] due Feb. 20; Standard Application due March 10!



Announcements

FYI for our next shared meal event: It has been suggested that, as we used to bring our own place settings to potlucks to make things easier for the clean-up crew, perhaps we might do this again. Thanks, everyone!

Please remember: Cluster groups should be meeting to discern names to fill the vacant church secretary position. This discernment will be forwarded to the elders.

Prayers for Faith & Learning from Mennonite Education Agency

Pray for participants and leaders of AMBS's annual Pastors and Leaders event this week on the theme, "Loving Our Neighbors in Tense Times." May God use this experience in ways they might never dare ask or imagine!



Mission Network

Today ends the three-day Festival Tournament in Ulaanbaatar. JCS, MMN's partner agency in Mongolia, requests prayer for their Eagle Wings hockey team, that the 15 boys and their coach will demonstrate God's love throughout the competition.

Opportunities to Help

Tri-Lakes Cares February wish list: Soups, Stew, Chili, Refried Beans, Pork & Beans, Crackers, Ketchup & Mustard. Thanks for your support of this worthy mission!