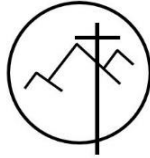


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**Sunday, April 28, 2019**

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

**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** Alex Hernandez-Siegel  
**Worship Leader** Gayle Preheim  
**Song Leader** Marietta Smith

### ***We Gather***

**Welcome**

**Announcements**

**Time of Quietening**

**Call to Worship**

Leader: God’s strong and loving hands are outstretched to  
all Creation.

**All: *Let the world stretch forth and grasp God’s hands  
with joy.***

Leader: God’s open hands are as the gate of  
righteousness.

**All: *Let us enter in to God’s abundant life and give  
thanks.***

Leader: In God’s hands are new life, strength, and  
salvation.

**All: *Let us be thankful and sing unto our God with  
gladness.***

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

**Opening Prayer**

**Opening Hymns**

Come, Now is the Time to Worship; STJ p.8  
My Faith Has found a Resting Place; STJ p.43

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

**Congregational Hymns**

O God, in Restless Living; Hymnal p.557  
Love Divine, all Love Excelling; Hymnal p.592

## **Offering and Prayer**

### **Prayer of Confession**

Leader: Most gracious God, the Earth is Yours with all of its  
fullness. Your Creation is beautiful and complex in  
ways beyond our imagination. If we follow its  
magnificent design, it leads us to You. Yet we have  
been so distracted following wrong directions of  
the contaminated hands of the world—hands that  
have cut off, torn down, burned up, dug under,  
held back, built around, and moved out the gifts of  
the Earth, created for blessing.

**People: *We have lost our way and your Creation groans  
for us to turn back to You. We have been too  
complacent as we have witnessed the covetous  
few control too much at the expense of the  
desperate hungry multitudes.***

**All: *Forgive us for not exercising the strength of our  
hands for the good of Your Creation. Give pardon for  
allowing our hands—gifted by You—to rest idling by  
our sides. We seek the guidance of Your hands to  
point us to Your brightest light, salvation, and new  
life for Your suffering Earth. Through Your Son, Jesus  
Christ, the Way. Amen.***

### **Words of Assurance**

Leader: Risen Jesus, You are our salvation. Your  
forgiveness causes us to rejoice in Your glory. Your  
nail-scarred touch has endowed within us fullness  
of grace.

**All: *We lift our hands in thanksgiving, strong as the  
upraised branches of Your majestic trees. Praise You  
for the power of Your mighty hands upon us, for they  
reach into the depths of our hearts. You are  
marvelous!***

### **Scriptures**

Isaiah 30:21; Proverbs 2:1-11

**Sermon** "The Scriptures and Choice Theory"

**We Go Out to Serve**

**Sending Song** Jesus, Be the Center; STS p.31

**Sending Prayer**

**Sermon Notes**

✚ *How does the discussion of Choice Theory relate to your life and walk as a Christian?*

✚ *What does Goethe's quote, "Choose well, your choice is brief and yet endless" mean to you?*

✚ *When you are sometimes uncertain of which choices to make in life, how do you make those decisions through faith and engaging with your community?*

**Birthdays & Anniversaries**



*April 30 Alex Hernandez-Siegel*

**May**

*2 Karen Lichlyter-Klein*

*9 Karen & Richard Lichlyter-Klein (A)*

*10 Codi Inloes 12 Claire Liew 12 Angela & Jay Liew (A)*

*14 Jana Preheim 15 Kim & Steve Hiebert (A)*

*16 Tom Close 19 Barb & Jake Eichelberger (A)*

*22 Lynn Roth & Karen Wiens (A) 24 Meredith Oakes*

*25 Terri & Dean Inloes-Williams (A)*



**Ongoing Events**

- Pastor Paul is available for appointments by calling 720-880-8773.
- Women's Bible Study 9:30-11:30am Fridays. Contact Rae Shellenberger at [719.213.6931](tel:719.213.6931).
- Men's Coffee Saturdays at 7am at Serrano's.

★ **Upcoming Special Events**

**Program Cabinet has called a congregational update** meeting to be held Sunday, May 5, immediately following morning worship service. Agenda includes financial updates, affirmation of Stewardship Commission chair, and a review of congregational needs and pastoral roles.

**We've been invited!** Nurture Commission encourages everyone to attend the Beth-El summer picnic, Saturday, June 1 from 4-8pm. More info to come soon!

**Announcements**

**Denver City Council is scheduled to vote** on a proposed lease agreement for Beloved Community Tiny Home Village on Monday, April 29 at 5:30pm in the 4th floor City Council Chambers at 1437 Bannock St. in Denver. We are asking people to turn out and show support, or send a letter to City Council encouraging a "Yes" vote on this measure. A few copies of a draft support letter and council members' contact info are available on the back table.

**MSMC Creation Care RoundTable:** Are you interested in a creation care RoundTable sometime in the next year with people already passionate about and involved in creation care, as well as those wanting to learn more? We are gathering a list of interested persons for a survey about

topics, resource persons, and dates. To be included, please email [barryb@mountainstatesmc.org](mailto:barryb@mountainstatesmc.org).

**Mennonite Mission Network Prayer Request**

**Matthew and Toni Krabill** are preparing for ministry through MMN working alongside Janie and Neal Blough at the Paris Mennonite Center. Pray for the Krabills as they raise support for a life of faithful discipleship in France.

**Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary News**

**AMBS recordings of past** webinars are available for purchase for \$20 online. Topics include Planting Peace Churches; Ministry in the Face of Sexual Abuse; How We Got the Bible; Intercultural Leadership in Diversity-Oriented Churches; Is God to Blame?; Introduction to Anabaptism; and more: [ams.edu/webinars](http://ams.edu/webinars).



**Opportunities to Help**

**Monument 4th of July parade** and MCMC hot dog booth need helping hands! Please contact Fran/Tim Yoder if you can assist with this fundraiser. All are welcome!

**Rocky Mountain Mennonite Camp** relies on volunteers to keep going. Help is needed in all areas of camp (kitchen, maintenance, housekeeping) for the following:

*May 20-24:* Mennonite Disaster Service (felling, limbing, and moving beetle-killed trees along with kitchen help)

*June 2-8:* Colorado Roots Music Camp (specifically help needed in the kitchen)

*June - August:* Have a week you can volunteer this summer? Let's find a way to fit your skills with camp needs. If you can volunteer, call (719-687-9506) or send an email ([info@rmmc.org](mailto:info@rmmc.org)).