

### Sunday, September 18, 2016

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

> "God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble." Be Still and Know That I Am God

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 Monday-Friday
Reservations (719) 884-2304 Before 5:00am

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

### **Order of Service**

Worship Leader Sharon Baker

#### We Gather

Welcome

**Announcements** 

**Time of Quieting** 

Call to Worship (based on Psalm 46:8-11)

Leader: Come, behold the works of the Lord!

People: Yes, we behold!

Leader: God makes war cease around the world!

People: Yes, we behold!

Leader: God breaks the bow, and shatters the spear!

People: Yes, we behold!

Leader: God burns the shields with fire!

People: Yes, we behold!

Leader: God says, "Be still, and know that I am God!"

ALL: The Lord of hosts is with us; the Lord God is our

refuge. AMEN.

# We Grow in Worship

**Opening Prayer** 

Opening Hymns HWB 166 I'll praise my maker

HWB 328 O, God, our help in ages past 1-4

**Offering and Prayer** 

**Congregational Hymns** 

HWB 407 We are people of God's peace
HWB 411 I bind my heart this tide

#### **Prayer of Confession**

Leader: O God, our hearts are restless, until we rest in You. We forget to pray, to ponder, we neglect our

love for You.

People: (Reading together, vs. 1-2) "Open, Lord, my inward ear" HWB 140

Leader: We forget that You are our refuge and strength; we create false refuges, and make idols of counterfeit strength.

People: (Reading, vs. 3-4)

Leader: We ask for Your forgiveness, grace, mercy, and

love.

People: (Reading, vs. 5)

Leader: We thank You for Your love, for Your healing, for Your joy, and for Your peace. Our hearts are filled

with gratitude.

ALL: AMEN.

**Song of Assurance** 

"There is a place of quiet rest" Hymnal: A Worship Book, #5 verses 1-3 & refrain

Readings

Permission to Cry Finding a Merciful God Pray for All? Me Dishonest?

Readers' Theater

Based on Mark 1:29-39 & Psalm 46:1-3, 8-11

Peace Moment Congregation

Where have you acted or seen others act for peace this past week? What practices and teachings of Christ sustain you spiritually and help fortify you for active engagement when people you meet are speaking hate?

Hymn

HWB 372 O, healing river

#### We Go Out to Serve

### **Prayers of the People**

Leader: Spirit of Peace, You dwell within us and accompany us by day and by night: in quiet moments spent alone with You, in every friendship shared with others, and in compassionate actions spreading the love of Christ in the world. We give thanks for Your faithful presence. We pray for inner peace for all people: fortitude and calm in times of stress or turmoil, courage and enduring faith in seasons of challenge, patience and wisdom in the midst of questions and confusion.

# ALL: We pray for ourselves ... (worshipers may add their own requests)

Leader: We pray for peace in all our relationships: harmony and faithful love in our families, affection and tender care among friends, and generous compassion across every barrier of age, class, gender, race and nationality.

# ALL: We pray for those near to us ... (worshipers may add their own requests)

Leader: We pray for peace in the world: freedom for enslaved and suffering people, meaningful work and opportunities for those in poverty, the end of unrest and violence in places of strife and war.

## ALL: We pray for those far away ... (worshipers may add their own requests)

Leader: We pray that God's vision for justice may prevail in every land, for the love of Christ Jesus to fill each heart with joy, and for the wisdom of the Spirit to guide our paths in the way of peace.

ALL: AMEN.

**Sending Song** 

Sing the Story 45 Calm me Lord

Benediction

Sermon downloads are available on-line at http://mcmcpl.org



**Birthdays** 

**Anniversaries** 

20 Mary & Paul Johnson (A)

23 Cheryl & Winston Yost (A)

27 Heidi Juell



# **Ongoing Events**

- Women's Bible Study 9:30-11:30am each Friday. Contact Rae Shellenberger at 719.213.6931.
- Men's Coffee each Saturday at 8am at Serrano's.
- Each Saturday "More than a Meal Ministries" 8:00am at Legacy Wesleyan Church, 502 N. Walnut St., Colorado Springs, CO 80905.



**Upcoming Special Events** 

Meal-to-Share, next Sunday, September 25. Please plan to come!

The **Belong Tour** is coming to **Loveland, CO, September** 23-24 at the Budweiser Event Center. Peace Mennonite has tickets available for \$45 through Elaine Goodwin, Administrative Assistant. You may contact her on her cell (720-215-8460) or the church phone (303-340-1555). For additional info on the event and speakers, visit http://www.belongtour.com/belongevents/denverloveland-co/ and click on the "group download" tab.



## **Opportunities to Help**

Have you made your craft item for the MCC Craft Booth or Christmas Booth? Time is "closing in" -- items will soon be needed. Remember to bring donations to the sale on Friday, Oct. 14th or Saturday morning, Oct. 15th. Thanks for taking time to make something for the MCC Sale!

A few spots are still open to staff the pie booth at the MCC relief sale Oct. 14-15. If you could serve, contact Barb Eichelberger or Mary Johnson, or sign up on kitchen door.

Needed: 3 volunteers to help set up 5 tables for Golden Circle Senior Nutrition meal after Discovery Hour weekly.