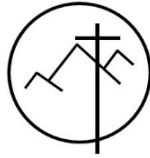


There will be a time of quiet meditation when the music stops

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

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

DATE: March 12, 2023
Third Sunday of Lent

9:00 am: *Worship Begins*

Coffee

10:00: Discovery Hour

Lead Pastor: Vern Rempel

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Mountain Community Senior Services (719) 488-0076

Sermon downloads available at <http://mcmcp.org>

Please silence your cell phones. Thank You.

*at 9:00 am prior to the start of worship. We invite you to join in
this time of silence before our service begins.**

DATE: March 12, 2023

Third Sunday of Lent

**Sermon Series: Truth and Reconciliation: The
Practice of Faith**

Order of Service

Speaker:

Jeff Smith

Worship Leader:

Dar Barrie

Song Leader

Kathy Smith

Sound Room:

Lynn Roth

We Gather

Welcome

Announcements

Time of Quieting

Call to Worship:

One: God of sea and sky, you keep the earth flourishing.

Many: We come before you weary from traveling through
barren lands.

**One: Holy One, you give water that sustains body and
spirit.**

Many: You hydrate us when we need, how we need.

**One: Miracle Worker, you caused a rock to crack and
bring forth water.**

Many: Crack our hearts open and let your love flow from
them like a spring.

We Grow in Worship

Opening Prayer

Opening Hymns #91: We Praise Thee O God
#103: Joyful Joyful

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

Congregational Hymn: #125: Shout to the Lord

Offering and Prayer: Offertory: Kathy Smith

Prayer for Transformation and New Life

Enduring Presence, we confess that sometimes we
question if you are among us or not. Sometimes we
quarrel with you when we are tested. These are the
moments when our outlook needs transformation. You are
gracious in looking beyond our faults to see our needs and
meet them. Thank you for your immeasurable grace.
Amen.

Peace Moment: Where have you acted, or seen others act
for peace?

Sermon: Zing!

Scripture: Luke 10: 25-37

We Go Out to Serve

Sending Song: #133: My Jesus I Love Thee

Sending Prayer

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

Please return the hymnals to boxes provided at back of sanctuary. Exit promptly to Narthex. Thank you

Birthdays and Anniversaries

Dennis Book B March 19
Rae Shellenberger B March 26

MCMC

Celebration of Life of Linda Pankratz.....March 25
Easter Brunch.....April 9
Program Cabinet.....April 14---1:00
Memorial for Clair - April 15 at 10:00 am at MCMC. In lieu of flowers, the family would like to give donations to:

LCC International Fund, Inc.

PO Box 101787

Pasadena, CA 91189-1787

Clair's niece, Robin Gingerich teaches English at LCC. The funds are currently directed 100 percent to Ukraine.

Or to **Pikes Peak Hospice**

Mountain States Conference News

“Rocky Mountain MDS has several projects and events planned in the coming months, and we would love to have you join us! Put these dates on your calendar:

April 28-30 we will be working at the Aspen Camp for the Deaf, constructing a handicapped accessible ramp. Contact Beuford Aeschliman, beuford47@hotmail.com

June 2-4 MDS will be in Questa, NM, renovating an old video store to become a community center for formerly addicted or incarcerated folks. Contact Mike Smith, crna_mike@hotmail.com

July 24-28 folks will be painting and roofing the MVS house in Alamosa. Contact Alice Price, aliceprice1950@gmail.com
Finally, we invite and encourage your participation September 15-16 for the Region 3 celebration of MDS at Boulder Mennonite Church. Herm Weaver will share his music and many inspiring stories will be told!”

MSMC virtual Faith & Life Forum will be in the fall this year. We'll be hearing from Ismael Camacho, the staff attorney for the New Mexico Legal Aid Centro Legal Campesino. Ismael

started working as a farmworker as a child and is now a lawyer who supports farmworkers who have been treated unjustly. He is the recipient of the 2020 NM Cesar Chavez Si Se Puede Award. Event date and more information to come, so stay tuned!

FROM MCC...

We would like to provide you with an update on the Rocky Mountain Mennonite Relief Sale.

After holding the sale in Rocky Ford, Colorado for 47 years, the time has come for a change. We have had many wonderful volunteers help organize the sale in Rocky Ford, but the local group has gotten smaller and the effort is continuing to grow in scope so it is time to look for a new home for the sale.

We are forming a committee that will look at the current structure of the sale and where we want to go. There will be an information session for all interested in serving on this committee, or just learning more about it. The meeting will take place on Monday, March 13th at 6:00 pm on Zoom.

We would like to thank everyone that has helped make the sale a huge success for nearly a half-century, and counting. If you have any questions or are interested in attending the planning committee information session, please contact Darcey

VanWagner at mdvw@comcast.net

The Mountain States Mennonite Conference Women's Retreat at Rocky Mountain Camp is coming March 10, 11, and 12. The theme of the weekend will be Meeting the Holy in Nature, and we are excited to welcome Jane Scanlon, who will lead us in "Forest Bathing" which is a practice that invites us to connect with our senses.

MENNONITE CHURCH USA

Beyond Incarceration webinar series

- **March 21, 2023 at 7:30pm:** Practice: What does proclaiming, intervening and creating alternative systems to mass incarceration look like in practice?

Registration for MennoCon23 is now open. Mennocon23 will be held in Kansas City, Mo., July 3-6, immediately followed by the Mennonite Church USA Delegate Assembly and the new Youth & Young Adult Climate Summit. Register here:

convention.mennoniteusa.org/registration/

Mennonite Mission Network

Mennonite Church USA has hired a climate justice intern, Sarah Werner, as part of an effort to provide a continual emphasis on

creation care. This internship is funded by a Schowalter Foundation charitable funding distribution awarded to MC USA in late 2021. Read more about her work here:

mennoniteusa.org/news/climate-justice-intern

“What time is it in the Mennonite Church?” Keynote speaker Frank Scoffield Sánchez posed this question at Mennonite Church USA’s 10th Hope for the Future conference on Feb. 3-5. More than 70 Black, Indigenous and people of color gathered for “Such a Time as This,” which was the weekend’s theme. Read more about the conference here: mennoniteusa.org/news/hope-for-the-future

Read more about the honorees here: mennoniteusa.org/news/hope-for-the-future-honorees

Menno Snapshots

Mennonite Church USA is proud to acknowledge Clara Weybright’s peacebuilding work with the 2022 #BringthePeace Young Peacemaker award, sponsored by the denomination’s Church Peace Tax Fund. Clara is a graduate of Eastern Mennonite University, Harrisonburg, Virginia, where she studied environmental science. She is currently a Juris Doctor candidate at Temple University Beasley School of Law, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. See her interview here: mennoniteusa.org/menno-snapshots/clara-weybright

As one of the two keynote speakers for the Pastors and Leaders Conference: Reimagining Ministry, that took place on Feb. 13-16, 2023, April Yamasaki is imagining a way forward for ministry in the church. Her congregation was challenged by the many adaptations of living during a pandemic, and she reflects on what she learned through their unimagined time of change. Read more of her thoughts here: mennoniteusa.org/reimagining-ministry

#BeTransformed

In March 2022, members from Central District Conference visited Americus Mennonite Fellowship, as part of the Sacred Listening Project, and the story of Nashua “Nash” Chantal stood out as epitomizing the Mennonite imperative to live a life that works to bring love and justice to a hurting world. Learn more about The Sacred Listening Project and “Nash’s” story here: mennoniteusa.org/want-to-make-difference