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

Mountain Community Mennonite Church
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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: June 4, 2023** 

9:00 am: Worship Begins

Coffee

**10:00:** Discovery Hour

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Sermon downloads available at <a href="http://mcmcpl.org">http://mcmcpl.org</a>

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.\*

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Sermon Series: Glory [Kavod]: Visual Art as an Expression of Our Faith

Order of Service

Speaker: Vern Rempel
Worship Leader: Darwin Barrie
Song Leader Vern Rempel
Sound Room: Jake Eichelberger

We Gather

Welcome

Announcements Time of Quieting Call to Worship:

Leader: After Jesus' death and resurrection He called the eleven to a mountaintop in Galilee and they went.

People: Let us be attentive to the voice of Jesus and bravely go when called.

Leader: Once the eleven saw Jesus they doubted but still worshipped Him.

People: Let us forgive ourselves when we doubt, and remain open to understanding as we encounter Jesus.

Leader: As they worshiped, Jesus declared his authority and charged the eleven to GO to ALL people. He instructed them to build community with ALL people, be willing to touch ALL people, and be willing to minister to ALL people.

People: Let us bravely Go to All people especially those society often tries to ignore.

Leader: Jesus instructed the eleven to use their voice, their stories, and their authentic truth as a witness to those whom they ministered to.

People: Let us stand in authenticity empowered by the Holy Spirit as we bravely share our story to help others find the love of Jesus.

Leader: Jesus assured the eleven to remember that He would always be with them.

All: Let us bravely live, work, and GO in authenticity as we do the work of connecting people with the Love of Jesus. Let us remember that His love, peace, and hope is always with us. Amen

We Grow in Worship

**Opening Prayer:** 

**Opening Hymns:** #804 There Is More Love Somewhere

#759 Take My Life, and Let It Be

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

Congregational Hymn: #557 Spirit of God! Descend

Offering and Prayer:

**Prayer of Transformation and New Life:** 

Loving God, often in our quest to do the work that we are called to do we miss the mark. At times we doubt even as we worship. Sometimes in the same day that we offer gratitude for answered prayers and blessings received we think thoughts of apprehension and utter words of uncertainty concerning those same blessings. Occasionally we forget that the peace, love, hope, and joy of the Divine extends beyond the walls of our churches and the hearts of those who identify as Christians. Frequently we forget how the Divine and Jesus have moved in our own lives. Help us to push through our doubt. Help us to move past our selfishness and fear of "other people." Help us to truly love our neighbors as ourselves—all of our neighbors. Please change our hearts God. Please help us to muster the bravery to put into practice the light and love of Jesus. Help us to love boldly without hesitation. All humans are worthy of experiencing the Love of Christ. Please change our hearts and minds. Please show us how to love all. We confess that we get it wrong all the time and we pray that you help us too do better.

Scriptures: Luke 1:26-29 NRSV

The Meaning of Art Work: Ann Perschbacher

Sermon: "Wonder and perplexity"

We Go Out to Serve

Sending Song: Siyahamba

**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/Heidi Juell A

June 5

**MCMC** 

Short Business Meeting.....June 4

## **Mountain States Conference News**

Mountain States Annual Assembly July 21-23, we'll be having a hymn sing there! We'll also have hikes, worship, activities for the kids, a talent show, a delegate session, great conversations, and much more! Be on the lookout for *registration coming soon* and register early to secure your preferred accmmodations!

**Deadline** to submit articles and photos for the next issue of Zing! is May 26th. Send them to this email address or <a href="mailto:amyz@mountainstatesmc.org">amyz@mountainstatesmc.org</a>.

MENNONITE DISASTER SERVICE...

# Rocky Mountain MENNONITE RELIEF SALE

October 20th-21st

Please plan on joining us at the Arkansas Valley
Fairgrounds in Rocky Ford, Colorado, for a fantastic event.
We are moving...but NOT YET. There is still time to join in
the fun in Southeast Colorado. For more information,
please check out our website: <a href="https://rmmcsale.org/">https://rmmcsale.org/</a>
index.html

## FROM TILT/QUILT...

Please pray for Daniel "RYNO" Herrera, a sixthgeneration Taoseño and a core leader of TILT in Taos, NM. He is having a health crisis and can use prayer and financial support. Learn more <u>here</u>.

"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:

July 24-28: Painting and roofing the MVS house in Alamosa. Contact Alice Price: <a href="mailto:aliceprice1950@gmail.com">aliceprice1950@gmail.com</a> Sept 15-16: Region 3 celebration of MDS at Boulder

Mennonite Church.

### **REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN**

for Mountain States **Annual Assembly July 21-23 at Rocky Mountain Mennonite Camp**.

<u>CLICK HERE TO REGISTER</u> and secure your preferred overnight accommodations. We're looking forward to a fantastic time of singing, hiking, asking interesting and important questions, dining, board gaming, talent showing (off), learning, socializing, and breathing some fresh mountain air. Can't wait to see you there!

#### MENNONITE CHURCH USA

On May 1, Mennonite Church USA changed its email address for email marketing communications to <a href="mailto:EBComm@Communications.MennoniteUSA.org">EBComm@Communications.MennoniteUSA.org</a>. Read why this is important and get instructions on how to add the new address to your address book

here: mennoniteusa.org/notice-new-email.

#### FROM MCC...

MCC U.S. NATIONAL PEACE & JUSTICE MINISTRIES is excited to share about three upcoming Peace Camps for 2023! Peace Camps are one-week, hands-on learning experiences for young adults hungry to connect with other young adults, root themselves in intentional theological reflection and apply that to real-world work of peace and justice in their communities. MCC will cover all costs of travel, lodging and meals with each participant paying only a \$200 registration fee. More information on each camp on our Peace Camps webpage: <a href="https://mcc.org/peace-camps">https://mcc.org/peace-camps</a>
From EASTERN MENNONITE SEMINARY...

# In conjunction with the CJP's 2023 <u>Summer Peacebuilding</u> <u>Institute</u> (SPI), the seminary will host a series half-day

<u>Institute</u> (SPI), the seminary will host a series half-day online workshops geared toward pastors and lay leaders:

 Tuesday, June 6: <u>Navigating Tough Conversations</u> <u>with Adaptive Leadership Skills</u> These non-credit workshops are offered via Zoom video conferencing software during 3-4-hour windows on designated weekdays.

Join us for "Delegate Assembly 2023: Know Before You Go, Part II," an informational Zoom webinar on Thursday, June 15 at 7 p.m. ET/4 p.m. PT. Leaders from MC USA, Everence and MHS Association will discuss the proposed organizational resolutions for the upcoming Delegate Assembly in Kansas City. Delegates and nondelegates are welcome to attend. Register and submit your questions here: <a href="mailto:mennoniteusa.org/da23-webinar">mennonite Church USA strives to live into its Accessibility Resolution at MennoCon23 by removing barriers to make people of all abilities and needs feel welcome. MennoCon23, the denomination's leading faith formation event, will take place in Kansas City, Missouri, July 3-6. Read more

here: mennoniteusa.org/news/mennocon23-accessible

#### #BeTransformed

"Pastoral transitions are a natural part of congregational life. At some point, your pastor will leave. They will leave for all sorts of reasons, and the majority of reasons have nothing to do with the congregation," writes Rachel Ringenberg Miller, denominational minister for ministerial leadership for Mennonite Church USA, in her helpful blog about next steps: mennoniteusa.org/pastoral-transition-beauty

## #MennoCon23

Hugo Saucedo, a longtime MennoCon volunteer, attended his first convention in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, in 1993. "I was 16 years old, when my youth group drove from Brownsville, Texas, to Philadelphia. In spite of the long drive, the memories I made have stayed with me to this day." Read more about Hugo's experience here: <a href="mennoniteusa.org/mennocon23-mennonite-reunion">mennoniteusa.org/mennocon23-mennonite-reunion</a>

There is still time to register online for MennoCon23, Mennonite Church USA's leading faith formation event, in Kansas City (Missouri) Convention Center, July 3-6, 2023. Registration is also still open for the Youth & Young Adult Climate Summit, July 7, and the Delegate Assembly, July 7-8. Register

here: mennoniteusa.org/registration