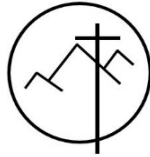


There will be a time of quiet meditation when the music stops

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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: November 19, 2023

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: November 19, 2023

**Sermon Series: Art and Faith
Order of Service**

Speaker:

Vern Rempel

Worship Leader:

Jina Brenneman

Song Leader:

Vern Rempel

Sound room:

Lynn Roth

We Gather

Welcome

Announcements

Time of Quieting

Call to Worship:

One: Holy One, you have been our God from generation to
generation. Before the universe exploded and the earth
was without form, you have been with us. .

**Many: Creator, you have been our dwelling place in all
generations.**

One: We enter your presence to worship and praise your
holy name.

**Many: Mighty One, you have been our dwelling place in
all generations.**

One: Teach us to count the days with joy and appreciation
for all your marvelous works and steadfast love.

**Many: Everlasting God, you have been our dwelling place
in all generations.**

WE GROW IN WORSHIP

Opening Prayer

Opening Hymns: # 435: Blessed Assurance

161: I Sought the Lord

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

**Congregational Hymn: #419: Great is Thy Faithfulness
Offering and Prayer:**

Prayer for Transformation and New Life (Confession):

Sovereign God, we confess that life is hard. We don't
always make the best choices, and all too often we realize
the options before us are lacking. We are overwhelmed
with the enormity of the world's problems. Sometimes, we
turn away completely. Sometimes, we respond with our
tribal allegiances first in mind. Bitterness and resentment
are easy guides. Help us seek wisdom and clarity,
compassion and presence, hope and peace over shallow
victories, material gain, and violence of the mind, body, or
spirit. Bless us to be peacemakers, hope sharers, and love
spreaders in the world for our neighbors and for your
glory. Amen.

Art as an Expression of my Faith: Joan Murphy

Scriptures: NRSV: Luke 24: 28-31

Sermon: Art: Mistakes and Redemption

We Go Out to Serve

Sending Song : # 831: Blest be The Tie that Binds

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

Doug & Becky Harder A November 25

Randy Brenneman B November 26

MCMC

Mountain States Conference New

Snow Camps are coming again in 2024!

Jr. High.....January 19-21

Sr. High.....February 16-18

Young Adult.....February 16-18

Scrapbook Retreat.....January 26-28

Check out the latest [Zing! newsletter here](#), including reports from Boulder Mennonite's trip to Taos to connect with Indigenous folks, photos from the Relief Sale, a reflection from Amy Zimbelman on Israel and Palestine, news about upcoming conversations in our conference, and more.

Bookkeeper or treasurer? Would you like to serve the church with your skills? **Mountain States Mennonite Conference seeks a conference treasurer** [Job description listed here](#). Qualified candidates please send your resume and the names and contact info for 2 references to Amy Zimbelman amyz@mountainstatesmc.org.

MENNONITE CHURCH USA

End gun violence resources here: <https://www.mennoniteusa.org/ministry/peacebuilding/learn-pray-join/end-gun-violence/>

The Center for Community Justice honors MC USA's Lorraine Stutzman Amstutz <https://www.mennoniteusa.org/news/ccj-honors-stutzman-amstutz/>

Learn more about MCC's advocacy response to the violence in Palestine and Israel [here](#). MCC also offers resources for better understanding the situation and ways to financially support a humanitarian response in Gaza:

[Palestine Israel booklet](#)

[Disaster response initiatives](#)

[A Cry for Home, MCC's advocacy response](#)

MCC Material Resources Center in North Newton

critically low on inventory: An MCC kit cannot be distributed until each item for the kit is assembled, but some supplies in the Material Resources Center are so low that kits cannot be processed for shipping. You can help by filling the following needs: *new* infant onesies and sleepers (6-12 month sizes); *new* bath towels (dark colored, light to medium weight); *new* hand towels (dark colored). Locally, MCC distributes prisoner care and returning citizen care kits, for those kits we currently need: men's shirts (sizes XL, 2XL, 3XL -- any color) and men's underwear (sizes 2XL, 3XL -- any color). Buy online and ship it to MCC or bring items to MCC in North Newton (121 E. 30th St, North Newton, KS 67117). Questions are always welcome, please contact brociamueller@mcc.org or 316.283.2720. A full list of MCC kit contents can be found at mcc.org/kits.

MCC Comforter update – Thank you to all the hardworking MCC comforter makers who make beautiful, high-quality gifts to share with our partners around the world! The MCC guidelines for comforters were recently updated after receiving feedback from partners around the world. For complete MCC comforter information, including the updated guidelines, check out the [Comforters page of our website](#) (mcc.org/get-involved/kits/comforters). Please reach out to the Workroom Supervisor, Kate Mast (katemast@mcc.org), with any comforter questions!

SAVE THE DATE – The MCC Comforter Blitz will be March 4-6 in Yoder, Kansas.

Guide to Voices Together Songs and Resources with Connections to Indigenous Communities in Canada and the United States, which was recently released by the Voices Together team. Read more here: mennoniteusa.org/connecting-communities-voices-together

FROM MENNONITE DISASTER SERVICE...

Check out volunteer service opportunities for disaster relief (one week or more): <https://mds.volunteermatrix.com/>

FROM AMBS...

Online Short Course: Understanding Anabaptist

Approaches to Scripture: Jan. 31 – March 12. Study how 16th-century Anabaptists approached Scripture — as compared with Catholics and other Protestants — and consider those similarities and differences in light of today. Instructors for this six-week AMBS Online Short Course are Laura Brenneman-Fullwood, PhD, and David Cramer, PhD. No grades, no papers! CEUs available. Sign up by Jan. 10 to save \$50. ambs.edu/online-short-courses

FROM MENNONITE MISSIONS NETWORK...

Voluntary service is the brave choice to live out your faith in communities across the country. Register for [Mennonite Voluntary Service](#) and [Service Adventure](#) 2024-23 terms by January 31, while openings are still available.

FROM MENNONITE EDUCATION AGENCY...

MEA is pleased to announce the 2023 Advent at Home worship guide, "How will we know?" is now available for free download in English and Spanish at <https://www.mennoniteeducation.org/resources/advent-at-home/>.