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 January 21, 2023

9:00 am: *Worship Begins* Coffee 10:00: Discovery Hour

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Sermon downloads available at http://mcmcpl.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: January 21, 2023

Order of Service

Speaker Worship Leader: Leader: Sound room:

We Gather

Vern Rempel

Dennis Book

Lynn Roth

Rae Shellenberger

Welcome: Announcements Time of Quieting

Call to Worship:

One: Everlasting God, our souls wait for you.
Many: You are our Mighty Rock. We will not be shaken.
One: Everlasting God, our souls wait for you.
Many: You are our hope. We place our trust in you.
One: Everlasting God, our souls wait for you.
Many: You are our refuge. We rest in your abiding love.

WE GROW IN WORSHIP Opening Prayer Opening Hymns: #600: O Thou, in Whose Presence #564: What Wondrous Love is This

Prayers of the people and sharing the grace..... Congregational Hymn: #283: Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore Offering and Prayer Prayer for Transformation and New Life (Confession):

Holy One, we can be so impatient. We have become used to instant gratification and have forgotten the holiness of the waiting. Help us to rest in your timing. Encourage us to persevere through struggles and storms. Reveal the unfolding of your kingdom before our eyes and empower us to be agents of transformation in the world as you infuse us with new life. Amen.

Scriptures: 1 Corinthians 7: 29-31 NRSV, Mark 1: 14-20 NRSV Sermon: Full and Empty

We Go Out to Serve

Sending Song : #813: Heart With Loving Heart United 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

Ken Smith B	January 31	
Jake Eichelberger B	February 1	
Gayle Preheim B	February 14	
Lynn Roth B	February 14	
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Snow Camps are coming again in 2024!	
Scrapbook Retreat	January 26-28
Sr. High	February 16-18
Young Adult	February 16-18

🎇 Happy New Year! 🌋

Welcome to our **new Conference Administrator Cheryl Beachey** from Western Slope Mennonite Fellowship! We're excited to have her on board. We'll share more about her in our next Zing newsletter.

MENNONITE CHURCH USA

FROM MCC:

Throughout the month of February, compassionate people like you are giving the gift of warm comforters to those in need around the world through MCC's Great Winter Warm-up.

You can also sponsor a comforter in honor of your Valentine! <u>Click to learn more</u> or call 1-888-563-4676

FROM MENNONITE ACTION...

Check out the Colorado Springs <u>Gazette article here</u>. This week, Mennonites arrived in Washington, D.C. from across North America—including from here in the Mountain States Mennonite Conference—to take peaceful action for a permanent ceasefire in Gaza. Nearly 150 Mennonites were arrested in the Cannon House Rotunda as they sang, prayed, and demanded a ceasefire. Outside, about 200 Mennonites of all ages stood vigil at an outdoor service.

Mennonite Action's US Petition for a Ceasefire crossed the threshold of our 5,000 signature goal. The Coordinating Team says, "We felt the blessing of thousands of friends, family members, and congregations around us, lifting us up and giving us strength."

Sign up for a mass meeting on January 20th: <u>https://</u>

www.mennoniteaction.org/call

and find out more at https://www.mennoniteaction.org/

FROM AMBS...

Grow in leadership and faith at Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary! Join our vibrant learning community on campus or at a distance, full time or part time — and focus on areas such as pastoral ministry, chaplaincy, faith formation, theology, peace studies, global Anabaptism or environmental sustainability leadership. We offer generous need-based financial aid and scholarships. Start your application today! <u>ambs.edu/degrees-and-programs</u>

FROM GOSHEN COLLEGE...

Mary K. Oyer, professor emerita of music, died on January 11, 2024, in Goshen at the age of 100.

Oyer taught at Goshen College from 1945 to 1987, during which time she developed a Fine Arts course that became legendary among students and was instrumental in bringing wide recognition and acceptance of the fine arts in a Mennonite liberal arts education. She introduced more than 5,000 students to the fundamentals of art and music. Oyer is recognized as being integral in shaping what Mennonite music sounds like today. She was instrumental in gathering hymns and songs for the widely used 1969 and 1992 Mennonite hymnals, and for more than six decades taught those hymns to the wider church in myriad worship settings, including national conventions and world conferences. She is well known for her role in helping establish the hymn "Praise God From Whom," better known as "606," as the Mennonite "anthem" after she led it in 1969 at the church-wide assembly in Oregon.

Read the full tribute and find links to her work at: <u>https://</u> www.goshen.edu/news/2024/01/15/mary-k-oyerprofessor-emerita-of-music-dies-at-100-years-old/

FROM MENNONITE EDUCATION AGENCY...

Applications will be accepted through April 1, 2024, for the MEA Scholarship for BIPOC Students within Mennonite Church USA (MC USA), for the 2024-25 academic year. The scholarship was launched in the fall of 2023 to help students who identify as Black, Indigenous, or People of Color (BIPOC), and who are active in MC USA congregations, to

attend a Mennonite college, university, or seminary that is partnered with MEA. Said MEA's Executive Director Michael Danner, "MEA's goal with this scholarship is to help

more BIPOC students access the quality education they can get at Anabaptist Mennonite schools."

The scholarship is also intended to further the education of future church leaders in MC USA. An applicant's active involvement in a local congregation and vocational objectives will be considered.

Scholarship information, requirements, and the application form are available online at: <u>https://</u>

www.mennoniteeducation.org/schools/mea-scholarshipfor-bipoc-students/ Questions can be directed to Jolene VonGunten, jolenev@MennoniteEducation.org or 574-343-1310.