**DATE: June 8, 2025** 

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

"We are a new creation in Christ - leading us in the ministry of peace and reconciliation."

2 Corinthians 5

DATE: June 8, 2025 Dry Creek

11:00 am: Worship Begins
Discussion

Lead Pastor: Vern Rempel

Pastor Vern's email: <a href="wkrempel@gmail.com">wkrempel@gmail.com</a>
Pastor Vern's Blog: <a href="mailto:soulreport.WordPress.com">soulreport.WordPress.com</a>

Pastor Vern's political blog is

at <u>mennopol.wordpress.com.</u> Recent posts include: "Deadly Metal" & "Incarceration Addiction."

**Elder:** Barb Eichelberger

**Information Technology Support:** Wilmer Villacorta *Please silence your cell phones. Thank You.* 

There will be a time of quiet meditation when the music stops at 9:00 am prior to the start of worship. We invite you to join in this time of silence before our service begins.

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

MEETING SCHEDULE: Worship begins at 9:00 at Palmer Lake every 1st, 3rd, 4th and 5th Sundays of month. Worship begins at 11:00 at Dry Creek on 2nd Sunday of month.

### Pentecost Sunday

Speaker: ......Paul Johnson
Worship Leader: .....Angela Liew
Song Leader: .....Dennis Book
Sound room: ....Jake Eichelberger

#### **WE GATHER**

Welcome

Announcements
Time of Quieting

Call to Worship:

One: When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place.

Many: We join for worship online and onsight, in real time

and sometimes days later, and yet,

One: The Holy One sends forth the Spirit.

Many: Who unites us, connects us, and forms us as a

community.

One: We were created in spirit and in truth, wonderfully and fearfully, in the image of Holy Love.

Many: God renews the face of the earth and the cosmos,

this faith community and the church.

One: May the glory of God the Fire endure forever! Many: Bless the Holy One, oh my soul. Praise God!

#### **WE GROW IN WORSHIP**

**Opening Prayer** 

**Opening Hymns**: #371: Come, Gracious Spirit

#806: Called by Earth and Sky

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

Congregational Hymn: : #56: Like the Murmur of the

Dove's Song

Offering and Prayer:

# **Prayer of Transformation and New Life:**

Spirit of God Amen, fall fresh on us. Let your refining fire bring impurities to the surface for the fullness of who we are to shine through. Forgive us for the ways we allow our diversity to be a reason for divisiveness and exclusion rather than a celebration of your wondrous work in us. Enable us to overcome and eradicate the barriers that we create in the name of our convenience and comfort that push your beloved to the margins. Awaken in us a desire to know and share space with neighbor, enemy, and kin. Amen.

Scriptures: Mark 13: 13-27

**Sermon:** "of snakes and door keepers?"

#### **WE GO OUT TO SERVE**

**Sending Song:** #120: For the Beauty of the Earth

**Sending Prayer** 

\*If you would like to support this gathering financially, you may give a check, payable to Mountain Community Mennonite Church, or cash, or give on-line. PayPal - mcmctreasurer@gmail.com (Icon is a picture of the Palmer Lake church from the lower parking lot.)

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

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

#### BirthdaOys and Anniversaries

Wilmer Villacorta B	July 1
	<b>MCMC</b>
Follow Jesus '25	July 8-12
Piano Recital	July 18, 4:00
pm	
MSC Annual Assembly	August 1-3

## **MOUNTAIN STATES MENNONITE CONFERENCE**

Update from Roca de Refugio in San Antonio

Listen to Pastor Dianne Garcia's firsthand account in her **podcast describing the ICE raid** that recently disappeared a member of Roca de Refugio: Mejores Juntos | Podcast on Spotify

https://open.spotify.com/episode/1kFveVvlSxFuXR3HS9Z0XW

Here's the GoFundMe link to help with legal fees.

Also if you're hearing about the mistreatment of immigrants and wondering *What can I do?* we have a remote **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY** to help Pastor Dianne at Roca! She needs assistance with many tasks including: sending thank you notes, applying for grants, writing newsletter articles, setting up webpages, etc. Current times available: 6/6 at 2:00-5:00pm MST 6/12 after 2:00pm MST

Reach out to Cheryl <u>administrator@mountainstatesmc.org</u> if you're interested.

# **Link to World Conference worship service**

For those who weren't able to see the livestream of the worship service in Zurich, Switzerland on May 29 in celebration of Anabaptism's 500th Anniversary, you can now watch the service recording by clicking here: <u>Zurich livestream - Mennonite</u> WorldConference

## You can help!

In preparation for our Assembly this August, we are encouraging congregations to begin collecting supplies for Welcome Kits that are used at Roca de Refugio.

The items needed for one kit are:

- One lightweight bath towel
- One wash cloth
- One tube of toothpaste 6oz or larger
- Two toothbrushes
- One travel toothbrush holder

- One package of disposable razors 10 to 20 razors
- One bottle of body wash (closeable) 12 oz or larger
- One bottle of shampoo 12oz or larger
- One stick of deodorant
- Hand Sanitizer
- Water Bottle (12oz or larger)
- Feminine hygiene products
- Several sturdy gallon-size zip-lock bags

If you have questions please contact Rhoda Blough at rhodab@mountainstatesmc.org

"Cultivating Peace" is a summer series at Beth-El Mennonite Church that will include many engaging speakers and authors. Learn more about these events and find the schedule here.

#### **JOB OPENINGS**

# One-year Transitional Office Administrator- First Mennonite Church of Denver

Are you looking for a part-time position? Would you like to work with interesting, good-natured, faithful people? Do you have a passion for creative communications?

First Mennonite Church of Denver is seeking a One-year Transitional Office Administrator. The position requires 20-25 hrs/wk to manage the daily administrative responsibilities in our office. Primary responsibilities include preparation of the Sunday worship bulletin and PowerPoint; regular communications with the congregation; and supporting the church staff (Interim Pastor, Facilities Manager, Spiritual Formation Director, Direct Assistance Coordinator). You can find the full job description on the Hiring tab of our website at <a href="www.fmcdenver.org/hiring">www.fmcdenver.org/hiring</a> and you can apply directly by emailing your resume and cover letter

to <u>Admin@fmcdenver.org</u>. If you would like to discuss the position, feel free to call Steve Slotter at 303-875-1763.

**Lead Pastor Opportunity – First Mennonite Church of Denver**First Mennonite Church (FMC), a vibrant congregation rooted in Anabaptist values and located in the heart of downtown Denver, is seeking a full-time Lead Pastor.

Our community is guided by the principles of simplicity, peace, justice, community, and service. We're looking for a spiritually

grounded, relational leader who feels called to ministry in an urban setting—someone who will walk with us, inspire us, and grow alongside our diverse and welcoming congregation. If you are a servant leader with a heart for inclusive faith and a vision for meaningful discipleship in today's world, we invite you

View the full job description and learn more: <a href="https://www.fmcdenver.org/new-page-1">https://www.fmcdenver.org/new-page-1</a>

# Albuquerque Mennonite Church (AMC) in Albuquerque, New Mexico

has an opening for a three-quarters time (0.75 FTE) lead pastor for a three-year contract, with the possibility of full-time within the next 18 months.

Albuquerque Mennonite Church is a vibrant, dynamic 37-year-old urban congregation of about 125 regular (and irregular) attenders. We are an inclusive Anabaptist group representing a wide variety of Mennonite, Protestant, Catholic and other backgrounds. The thread holding us together is a deep desire to follow Jesus's way of peace and to be a prophetic voice in our community and in our world.

Full Job Description here: <a href="https://abqmennonite.net/">https://abqmennonite.net/</a> 2025-01-28 AMC PastorJobDescription.pdf

# **Sojourn Mennonite Fort Collins**

to explore this opportunity.

Are you interested in helping to grow a vibrant, welcoming community that fosters spiritual growth and actively lives out Jesus' teachings? If so, Sojourn Mennonite is looking for you. We are a small community seeking peace within ourselves and in our world, with members involved in issues of immigration, incarceration, Native American justice, and serving the unhoused. We would like a half-time pastor to help us learn new ways of nurturing our souls and expanding our community. The benefit package we offer aligns with the Mennonite Church USA guidelines. If you are interested in learning more about Sojourn, please visit the full job posting on our website: <a href="https://www.sojournmennonite.org/seeking-halftime-pastor">https://www.sojournmennonite.org/seeking-halftime-pastor</a> and contact Amy Zimbelman at <a href="mailto:amyz@mountainstatesmc.org">amyz@mountainstatesmc.org</a>.