

DATE: March 1, 2026

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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

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9:00 am: Worship Begins

10:00 am: Discussion

Lead Pastor: Vern Rempel

Pastor Vern’s email: vkrempel@gmail.com

Pastor Vern’s Blog: soulreport.WordPress.com

Pastor Vern’s political blog is

at mennopol.wordpress.com. Recent posts include:

“Deadly Metal” & “Incarceration Addiction.”

Elders: Barb Eichelberger, Dwight Landes

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 <http://mcmcp.org>

MEETING SCHEDULE: Worship begins at 9:00 at Palmer
Lake every 1st, 3rd, 4th and 5th Sundays of month.

Worship begins at 10:30 at Dry Creek on 2nd Sunday of
month.

Second Sunday of LENT

Sermon Theme: “Resolve”

Speaker:Vern Rempel

Worship Leader:.....Angela Liew

Song Leader:.....Dennis Book

Sound room:Jake Eichelberger

WE GATHER

Welcome

Announcements

Time of Quieting

Call to Worship:

Leader: Let your soul receive this rest:

justice will roll down like a river

and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream.

Assembly: Praise God who forgives us and frees us

inviting us to embrace the grace that goes on and on

like water, an unending cycle of new life.

WE GROW IN WORSHIP

Opening Prayer

Opening Hymns: #738: Open My Eyes that I May See

#57: Holy Spirit, Come With Power

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

Congregational Hymn: #537: Lord, You Sometimes Speak

Offering and Prayer:

Prayer for Transformation and New Life:

The season of Lent invites us to consider what it means for
us to live life sacrificially, to lean into Jesus’ call to costly
discipleship. How might God be calling you to a new way of

sharing your resources to build care and equity in our
communities and world? Let us offer whatever gifts we
have to love the world like God did in giving God’s Son.

**Music Video: “Up From the Bottom”, by The Infamous
Stringdusters**

Scriptures: Psalm 119: 103-109 NRSV

Sermon: “Reading the Bible”

WE GO OUT TO SERVE

Sending Song: #570: When We Walk with the Lord

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.*

Birthdays and Anniversaries

Brenda & Ken Smith A.....March 7
Dennis Book B.....March 19

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Faith and Life Forum.....March 7
RAWtools toy gun buyback at Glennon Heights.... May 16
ASSEMBLY:..... July 24-26

MOUNTAIN STATES MENNONITE CONFERENCE

Faith & Life Forum - Register Today!

HOW TO GET THE WORD OUT:

1) Here's a video of Amy Zimbelman sharing What to expect at the Faith & Life Forum this year: <https://youtu.be/3firSMVNiQ8>

Here's the first video with Ross and Moriah:

https://youtu.be/gvG_qvs1i24

2) A Special Faith & Life Issue of Zing! is available at this [LINK](#). Check out the detailed information!

Belonging and Boundaries: The beauty and challenge of intergenerational connections

Forming strong bonds across generations is more important than ever in our faith communities. Research suggests that meaningful relationships and mentorships are what draw us in and keep us engaged in church through the ups and downs. But how do we foster conversation and connection without leaving undue room for harms like manipulation or child abuse to occur? What's the balance between precaution and pragmatism?

Join Ross Erb, MSW, Associate Director of the Collins Child Advocacy Center, and Moriah Hurst, Pastor of Child, Youth, and Adult Faith Formation at Assembly Mennonite Church, for a discussion and training on best practices for ministries that connect people of all ages.

A keynote and discussion on the opportunities and challenges of intergenerational relationships in our churches will be held in the morning, with a training on child/youth protection in the afternoon.

MSMC Congregations: Please send at least one person from your congregation to represent you at the afternoon training, preferably a pastor, church chair, or children/youth ministry leader.

Registration is now open.

Click here to REGISTER

From the Assembly Planning Committee

The dates for our Assembly this year are July 24-26, 2026 at Boulder Mennonite Church.

Some of the attendees would greatly appreciate if they could stay in a home, rather than having to pay for a hotel. If you are in the Boulder area and would be willing to host people in your home, please contact our conference Administrator, Cheryl Beachy, administrator@mountainstatesMC.org, and let her know how many people you could accommodate for one or two nights. Thank you!

Booking your accommodations early may save you money and time during the summer rush. Hotels close to Boulder

Mennonite Church include: Homewood Suites by Hilton, Fairfield Inn & Suites by Marriott, and The Boulder Broker Inn. From MSMC Youth Committee

Calling all youth grades 6-12! Save the Date: April 25, 2026
Estimated schedule for the day: 9-4

Join us for an exciting all-day tree-planting event organized in collaboration with Mennonite Disaster Service (MDS) to help restore the forests in Big Thompson Canyon near Drake, Colorado! This is a great opportunity for youth from Mountain States Mennonite Conference Churches to come together, have fun, get to know other youth across the region, and help restore the environment to its pre-fire density. We want everyone to participate, so please do not let travel or financial limitations stop you. We are here to help you get to the event! More information coming soon. Email the conference administrator with any questions at administrator@mountainstatesmc.org
The Youth Committee members are Annaken Toews, Jonathan Harnish, Rebecca Scull, and Stephanie Phibbs.

From Western Slope Mennonite Fellowship

Western Slope Mennonite Fellowship invites you to join us for our worship on March 15th. The service begins at noon. We will hear, via Zoom, from several graduates of the Journey program at Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary. The stories of how

they ended up in the program are full of hope and joy. Since this will be a hybrid service via Zoom, please email Cheryl at info@westernslopemennonite.org for the link to join the Zoom meeting. We meet in person at Bethel Chapel, First United Methodist Church, 824 Cooper Ave, Glenwood Springs with brunch at 11AM. We would love to have you join us in person!

Save the date: Sat, May 16th RAWtools toy gun buyback at Glennon Heights - kids turn in toy guns for nonviolent games and toys. More info to come.

Now Hiring

Boulder Mennonite Church seeks a full-time Transitional Minister for a 9-15 month timeframe. The Transitional Minister will support ongoing congregational ministry and will provide leadership for congregational self-study, identity, vision, and structure work. To learn more, please visit the church website [here](#) and the Transitional Minister job description [here](#). For inquiries, contact Amy Zimbelman at amyz@mountainstatesmc.org.

Now Hiring: Sojourn Mennonite - Fort Collins

Are you interested in helping to grow a vibrant and 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, please visit the full job posting on our website: <https://www.sojournmennonite.org/seeking-half-time-pastor> and contact Amy Zimbelman at amyz@mountainstatesmc.org.

Other resources to note--Pulpit supply: We've added some names to the list of folks willing to guest preach in Mountain States congregations. Worship leaders/administrators/those who help set up the preaching schedule: let Amy know if you'd like more info: amyz@mountainstatesmc.org