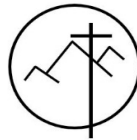


DATE: March 29, 2026

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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*  
10:30 am: *Discussion*

Lead Pastor: Vern Rempel

Pastor Vern’s email: [vkrempel@gmail.com](mailto:vkrempel@gmail.com)  
Pastor Vern’s Blog: [soulreport.WordPress.com](http://soulreport.WordPress.com)  
Pastor Vern’s political blog is  
at [mennopol.wordpress.com](http://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 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays of month.  
Worship begins at 10:30 at Dry Creek on 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of  
month.

Palm Sunday

Sermon Theme: “Resolve”

Speaker: .....Mary Sprunger Froese  
Worship Leader:.....Dwight Landes  
Song Leader:.....Dennis Book  
Sound room: .....Lynn Roth

WE GATHER

Welcome  
Announcements  
Time of Quieting:

Call to Worship:

This is no parade of the powerful, no extravaganza for  
empire.

Assembly: Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the  
name of Resistance. Hosanna in the highest heaven!

Leader: Into occupied streets, on stolen land... This is no  
marvel of military might, no crusade of cruelty.

Assembly: Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the  
name of Refuge. Hosanna in the highest heaven!

Leader: Into histories of harm, surrounded by lineages of  
liberation... This is no acquiescence in advance, no  
complicity through conformity.

Assembly: Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the  
name of Solidarity. Hosanna in the highest heaven!

Leader: May our worship this day prepare the way for the  
Prince of Peace, cut branches for the King of Compassion,  
line the path for the Lord of Liberation, soften the road  
for the Sovereign of Solidarity.

Assembly: May our worship this day prepare us for where  
this way will lead.

WE GROW IN WORSHIP

Opening Prayer

Opening Hymns: #313: Hosanna, Loud Hosanna  
#315: All Glory, Laud and Honor

Prayers of the people and sharing the grace.....  
Congregational Hymn: #546: There is a Line of Women  
Offering and Prayer:

Prayer For Transformation and New Life:

Leader: For the ways Empire has taught us to fear  
difference and believe that strength and safety require  
dominance and violence,

Assembly: God, have mercy.

Leader: For the ways Empire makes hierarchy the air we  
breathe and shapes who and what has worth and dignity,

Assembly: Christ, have mercy.

Leader: For the ways Empire separates us and convinces  
us that we don’t belong to the land or each other.

Assembly: God have mercy.

Leader: Open us to notice the tension, longing, and  
dissonance in our bodies revealing where Empire has  
tangled itself around us.

Assembly: Turn us around, Holy One. Amen.

Peace Moment: Fred Martin

Scriptures: Matthew 21: 1-11

Sermon: “Resolve: Power Walking on Palm Sunday”

WE GO OUT TO SERVE

Sending Song: #316: Ride On, Ride On in Majesty  
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](mailto: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

Faye Brenneman.....April 13

## MCMC

Muandy Thursday April 2.....Supper 5:30-7:00 Service  
EASTER.....Brunch after Worship  
RAWtools toy gun buyback at Glennon Heights.... May 16  
ASSEMBLY:..... July 24-26

## MOUNTAIN STATES MENNONITE CONFERENCE

**Maundy Thursday** - All are invited to a 5:30p supper followed by a service at 7:00p at Good Shepherd Episcopal Church, 8545 E. Dry Creek Rd., Centennial CO 80112. Vern will be speaking on the story of Mary Magdalene.

**EASTER BRUNCH:** Please bring finger foods to share.

### From Mennonite Voluntary Service

Are you a young adult age 20+ (or know a young adult) who is wondering “what’s next?” after college? Do you want space, time, and support to further discern the path of your life? Do you wonder what it means to live your values in the world? Are you interested in building intentional community as you actively seek equity and justice for those you serve?

Exploring Mennonite Voluntary Service may be right for you! Each Mennonite Voluntary Service (MVS) site partners with area nonprofits and community-based organizations to serve the community’s needs and work toward social justice by pairing full-time volunteers with community-centered work experiences for one to two years of service. This transformative program is designed to challenge and support you during this time of societal change and uncertainty, as you discern your vocational journey. MVS offers opportunities to live out your values in organizations that are challenging social inequities, environmental degradation, and lack of access to legal and educational resources. Current sites: Alamosa, CO; Chicago; San Francisco; and Tucson. You don’t have to be Mennonite! MVS welcomes young adults grounded in any or no faith tradition to explore and discern their spiritual and vocational calling within a supportive local community. Ready to learn more?: contact Alice M. Price, Local Coordinator for the Alamosa MVS site at [aliceprice1950@gmail.com](mailto:aliceprice1950@gmail.com) or visit

<https://www.mennonitemission.net/serve/mennonite-voluntary-service/>

**Albuquerque Mennonite** Albuquerque Mennonite Church is excited to welcome their new pastor, Angela Williams Gorrell, who will likely be starting this May. Welcome, Angela!

### Quilters Corner Coordinator Needed

The Rocky Mountain Mennonite Relief Sale is seeking an individual or group to lead Quilters Corner, a long-standing booth that sells fabric and other supplies used to make quilts. Proceeds from the booth support the work of Mennonite Central Committee. Responsibilities include gathering and organizing donated materials, which may include measuring fabric, setting up and displaying the quilting supplies, and coordinating the booth during the Relief Sale. (Set-up is during the day on a Friday, with the sale on Saturday, in mid-October at the Douglas County Fairgrounds.) Display supplies are provided and are currently stored at First Mennonite Church in Denver and in a storage unit near the fairgrounds. Some transportation of these supplies to the sale site would be needed. A job description is available for review. If your church or group is interested, please reach out to Darcey VanWagner, [mdvw@comcast.net](mailto:mdvw@comcast.net) for more information. Thank you for considering this opportunity and for your support of the Relief Sale.

### 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](mailto:administrator@mountainstatesmc.org)  
The Youth Committee members are Annaken Toews, Jonathan Harnish, Rebecca Scull, and Stephanie Phibbs.

**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](mailto: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-halftime-pastor> and contact Amy Zimbelman at [amyz@mountainstatesmc.org](mailto:amyz@mountainstatesmc.org).

### MCC U.S. Appoints New Executive Director

The board of directors of Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) U.S. has named Rukshan Fernando as the next MCC U.S. executive director, effective this July.

### MDS Call to Action!

**Rocky Mountain Mennonite Disaster Service Unit has a desperate need for volunteers to help finish a project in San Angelo, Texas.** The work will include installing flooring and kitchen cabinets, as well as drywall finishing and painting. Do not worry if you aren't "skilled," the Project Director and crew leaders are both well-skilled and eager to teach. If anyone has some skills with electric wiring or plumbing, it would be a plus. If you have a few days you can give, please consider this opportunity to serve as the Hands and Feet of Jesus. Families are welcome, and we'll find ways to use younger people or provide child care if needed. As always, MDS will provide lodging and meals. The Unit can also help with travel costs. **Contact Michael Smith (505) 603-5739, or the Project Director Enos Kurtz (814) 592-7268.**

