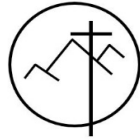


**DATE: May 24, 2026**

**Pentecost Sunday  
Theme: The Power of Play**

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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: May 24, 2026  
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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.

**Speaker:.....Merv Birky  
Worship Leader:.....Dennis Book  
Song Leader:.....Don Graber  
Sound room: .....Lynn Roth**

**WE GATHER**

**Welcome  
Announcements  
Time of Quieting:**

Call to Worship:

**One: How manifold are the works of the Holy One! In  
wisdom, God has made them all;  
the earth is full of God’s creatures.**

Many: May the glory of the LORD endure forever; may the  
Creator rejoice in God’s works!

**One: How beautiful are the works of the Holy One! In  
love, God has formed them all;  
the earth is full of God’s beloved.**

Many: I will sing to the LORD as long as I live; I will sing  
praise to our God while I have being.

**One: How wonderful are the works of the Holy One! In  
peace and hope, God has renewed them all; the earth is  
full of God’s redeemed.**

Many: May our meditation be pleasing to Spirit, Rejoice in  
the Holy One!

**WE GROW IN WORSHIP**

**Opening Prayer:  
Opening Hymns:** #34: We Praise You, O God, Our Redeemer  
#556: I Bind My Heart This Tide

**Prayers of the people and sharing the grace.....  
Congregational Hymn: #212: Comfort, Comfort, O My  
People  
Offering and Prayer:**

**Prayer For Transformation and New Life:**  
Spirit of the Living God, draw us together into the place  
where your Spirit awaits us. Guide us in your direction so  
that as we gather, we experience the unity that comes  
from shared hope and mutual understanding. Fill us with  
more questions than answers and open our minds to  
visions and dreams of a world transformed in your love  
and peace and infused with your hope and joy. For your  
name and glory, we pray for new life in you. Amen.

**Scriptures:** Phillippians 2: 3-4, Psalm 82: 2-4, Romans 12:  
17-18  
**Sermon:** Parables of Peace

**WE GO OUT TO SERVE**

**Sending Song:** #778: Will You Let Me be Your Servant  
**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**

**Rick & Rae Shellenberger A.....June 3**  
**Dennis & Heidi Book/Juell.....June 5**

### **MCMC**

**MCMC Work Days.....June 2 and 5**  
**RMMC Work Weekend.....May 22-25**  
**Mennonite Hymn Sing.....July 12**

**ASSEMBLY:..... July 24-26**  
**Economic Justice, Decolonization and Faith.....Nov 6-8**

### **Mountain States Conference**

#### **WORK DAYS for MCMC**

On June 2 we need all hands on deck to clear the worship area for carpet cleaners. There will be plenty of opportunities of help for us all.

On June 5 we need help to reset the worship area for our partner congregations.

#### **FROM MOUNTAIN STATES MENNONITE CONFERENCE...**

#### **Economic Justice, Decolonization and Faith**

#### **Sarah Augustine**

Join us for a transformative weekend of learning, reflection, and visioning as we explore the lasting impact of the Doctrine of Discovery and its implications for economic justice, Indigenous rights, and spiritual practice

Sarah Augustine is a Pueblo (Tewa) descendant and Indigenous advocate who serves as co-founder and co-chair of the Coalition to Dismantle the Doctrine of Discovery. Her work includes representing Indigenous community partners before national governments, international financial institutions, and global human rights bodies. She is an established writer and columnist and lives with her family in the Yakima Valley of Washington.

November 6-8, 2026

Glennon Heights Mennonite Church

11480 West Virginia Ave. Lakewood, CO 80226

For more information call 303-618-4996 or email [ruthajt@gmail.com](mailto:ruthajt@gmail.com)

#### **Time for another Inter-Mennonite Hymn Sing!**

First Mennonite Church in Denver is inviting you and your congregation to join us for an Inter-Mennonite Hymn Sing on Sunday, July 12, at 1:30 p.m. It's been a minute since our last hymn sing, and we miss hearing our voices lifted in song!

**REGISTRATION**  
**ASSEMBLY 2026**



#### **From the Assembly Planning Committee Assembly**

**is just a couple of months away!** You know our theme this year is *"When we pray, we move our feet."* During our afternoon gathering on Saturday, we invite you to provide an update on your congregation by answering the question: "How does your community move its feet as you pray?" Each congregation will have a strict 3-minute time slot/limit during which you can read an update, present a PowerPoint of photos, sing a song, share a video, or offer another creative way to express your answer.

Congregations will present on Saturday, July 25, 1:30 - 3:00 pm in sets of three. The presentations will be interspersed with hymns, and we'll keep things moving along! If you have any questions, please reach out to Assembly Worship Planning Chair Ann Rosewall, [rosewall.ann@gmail.com](mailto:rosewall.ann@gmail.com) or 847.638.7002 (call/text).

#### **From Rocky Mountain Mennonite Camp**

Visit [rmmc.org](http://rmmc.org) to learn more.

~Memorial Day Work and Play May 22-25: The weekend focuses on getting ready for the coming summer camp.

~Summer Camps at Rocky Mountain Mennonite Camp:

Kids and Youth, come to Resident Camps, or if you're feeling more adventurous, join us for our Wilderness

Program. This year's theme is Job 12:7 ~Adults can also join in the fun as part of Family Camps or Colorado Roots Music Camp.

#### **From PrayerstreamYou are invited to join the WEEKLY 7am MDT TUESDAY PRAYER ZOOM CIRCLE**

Zoom link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89078236512?pwd=PsNCsf5uRxnTgbHnZnzUAsBd9clW0X.1>

Meeting ID: 890 7823 6512 Passcode: 260

#### **Mountain States Mennonite Conference Hiring: Part-Time Treasurer**

MSMC is seeking a Treasurer to manage daily cash flow, reconcile bank accounts, and handle financial reporting.

- Key Responsibilities: Managing accounts payable/receivable, preparing monthly reports, and working with the moderator to prepare the annual budgets.
- Qualifications: 1+ years of bookkeeping or treasury experience. Familiarity with accounting software. end your resume and the names and contact info for 2 references to Amy Zimbelman, [amyz@mountainstatesmc.org](mailto:amyz@mountainstatesmc.org).

Click [HERE](#) to see the full job description.

#### **Now Hiring - Sojourn Fort Collins**

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. We will accept applications from interested candidates through June 1st. 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](mailto:amyz@mountainstatesmc.org).

#### **From Mennonite Church USA**

The annual convention, MennoCon, will be held next year.  
Dates are July 6-10, 2027. Location is Cincinnati, Ohio.