

**DATE: June 28, 2026**

**Theme: Creation; The Song of Songs  
Father's Day**

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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](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:** ..... **Vern Rempel**  
**Worship Leader:**.....**Wilmer Villacorta**  
**Song Leader:** .....**Dennis Book**  
**Sound:**..... **Jake Eichelberger**

**WE GATHER**

Welcome  
Announcements  
Time of Quieting

**Call to Worship:**

**One: We gather as a people to worship the Holy One who  
considers our cries and responds to our conditions.**

Many: We gather even when wearied by the world  
because we trust in God’s steadfast love.

**One: Our souls may ask, “How long, Holy One?” Yet our  
hearts rejoice in your saving acts.**

Many: We gather even when shaken and sorrowful  
because we hope in God’s steadfast love.

**One: We gather to sing to the Holy One who has been  
generous with us.**

Many: Our worship and our work testifies to the goodness  
of the God who prevails. Let us worship the God of Life!

**WE GROW IN WORSHIP**

**Opening Prayer:**

**Opening Hymn:** #120: For the Beauty of the Earth  
#180: This is God’s Wondrous World

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

**Offering and Prayer**

**Prayer For Transformation and New Life:**

God of the Covenant, in you, we have new life. In you, we  
have a faithful companion. Yet, difficult moments confront  
us with the limits of our trust in you. We struggle to  
release control so that we might participate fully in your  
plan without fear, hesitation, or resistance. Help us, O God,  
to be your faithful service who trust you even through the  
tests and trials of life. May we know the assurance and  
peace of your eternal love. Amen.

**Congregational Hymn:** #790: How Can We Be Silent

**Scriptures:** Song of Soloman 2:5, 6:3, 7-6, Luke 10: 30-34

**Sermon:** “The Good Samaritan and Eros”

**WE GO OUT TO SERVE**

**Sending Song:** #177: All Things Bright and Beautiful  
**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.**

### Birthdays/Anniversaries

Wilmer Villacorta B.....July 1  
Vern Rempel B.....July 19

### MCMC

Mennonite Hymn Sing.....July 12  
ASSEMBLY:..... July 24-26  
Economic Justice, Decolonization and Faith.....Nov 6-8

### Mountain States Conference

The June Issue of Zing! is available at this LINK <https://mailchi.mp/mountainstatesmc/msmc-aug-sept-2022-zing-18269940>

### 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



**We hope you join us for the Mountain States Mennonite Conference's Annual Assembly, July 24-26, in beautiful Boulder, Colorado!**

This year's theme is based on an African proverb:  
*When We Pray, We Move Our Feet.*

Folks from all walks of life throughout our conference will be joining together for a meaningful time of exploring prayer and action! Register today at this LINK <https://reg.planetreg.com/E212103853174917>

All are invited to attend our Sunday morning worship; there is no registration required to attend Sunday morning! Please join us and plan to stay and purchase lunch at a food truck, which will be on site.

### Silent Auction Donation Drive

Help Support Our Conference Ministry Through the Silent Auction. We are inviting members from all our congregations to help make our Silent Auction a success by donating items for the auction. Whether you are a collector, crafter, artist, baker, gardener, woodworker, or simply have a special item to share, your donation can help support the work and ministry of the Mountain States Conference.

### Suggested Donation Items

- Handmade crafts and artwork
- Quilts, woodworking, and sewing projects
- Baked goods and specialty foods
- Gift baskets
- Books
- Collectibles
- Home décor items
- Mennonite-themed or Mennonite-made items
- Unique treasures and experiences

### Donation Guidelines

- ✓ Items should be clean and in good condition.
- ✓ While not required, items with a Mennonite connection are especially appreciated.
- ✓ Please do not donate large or difficult-to-transport items.
- ✓ All donations should be suitable for a church-wide audience.

### From Vern Rempel

Join us Friday, July 3, 7 - 8 PM at the First Mennonite Church of Denver for **A Concert For Our Hours: Reflection, Grief, and Joy In Our Cultural Moment**

Songs, readings, and prayers so that we may gather wholeheartedly, hearts broken open to the spirit of love.

### 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).

### Save the Date

Glennon Heights will host a weekend of learning about the lasting impact of the Doctrine of Discovery with Sarah Augustine. November 6-8, 2026.

### From Mennonite Church USA

The national convention for MC USA, MennoCon, will be held next year on July 6-10, 2027, in Cincinnati, Ohio.

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