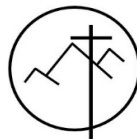


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Join Us – We share God’s love by: Following Jesus,
Reconciling Community and Building Peace
“We are a new creation in Christ - leading us in the
ministry of peace and reconciliation.”
2 Corinthians 5

DATE: August 2, 2026
Palmer Lake

9:00 am: Worship Begins
10:30 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.

August 2, 2026

Theme: Independence Day Weekend

Speaker:Vern Rempel
Worship Leader:.....Dennis Book
Song Leader:Dennis Book
Sound:.....Lynn Roth

WE GATHER

Welcome
Announcements
Time of Quieting

Call to Worship:
**One: The Holy One wondrously demonstrates steadfast
love. Seek refuge at God’s right hand.**
Many: Let God’s love meet us and flow through us.
**One: The Holy One attentively hears the just cause. Seek
justice and righteousness for God’s name sake.**
Many: Let us be steady and vigilant for the kingdom of God.
**One: The Holy One faithfully vindicates our lives. Seek the
path God paves for us.**
Many: Let us worship, honor and praise the God who
delivers, redeems, and restores. Praise the Holy One!

WE GROW IN WORSHIP

Opening Prayer:
Opening Hymn: #31: Come We that Love the Lord
#496: I Owe the Lord a Morning Song
Prayers of the people and sharing the grace.....
Congregational Hymn: #177: All Things Bright and
Beautiful
Offering and Prayer:
Prayer For Transformation and New Life:

Holy One, we strive to be your people and reflect your
goodness in the world. Yet, the way of wickedness is not
far from us, and we have not passed every test. Fortify us
in your word and drench us with your compassion so that
we may find the courage to repent and repair. Help us
acknowledge the harm we have allowed and the pain we
have caused. Empower us to make things right with our
neighbors and with ourselves. Let your grace and mercy
liberate us to be agents of reconciliation and restoration in
our families, communities, and world. Amen.

Scriptures: Matthew 24: 32-35

Sermon: “Summer Stories”

WE GO OUT TO SERVE

Sending Song: #745: God, Whose Giving
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.

Birthdays/Anniversaries

Barb Eichelberger B.....August 1
Joan Murphy B.....August 2
Jeannie Villacorta B.....August 13

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Peaches:.....Aug 8
Economic Justice, Decolonization and Faith.....Nov 6-8

Mountain States Conference

PEACHES! Peace Mennonite Church. Pick up on August 8th. Make checks out to Peace Mennonite church: \$47.50.

From the MSMC Annual Assembly Planning Committee

We are so grateful that over 120 folks joined us for the Annual Assembly from around the conference last weekend! We had a wonderful time of fellowship, music, prayer, art, updates from churches and passion ministries, tasty food, decision-making meetings, and more. We even officially welcomed [Wayfarers Chapel](#) to join our conference! Thanks to everyone who made it happen, and to Boulder Mennonite for hosting!

Next year, we'll see you for Assembly in Albuquerque, NM
July 23-25, 2027!

Rocky Mountain Mennonite Relief Sale----We Need Your Help! Looking for a person or group to lead **Quilter's Corner**. This has long been a popular booth at the sale, and we'd love to continue offering it—but we need your help to make that happen! If you are looking for a way to help and contribute to the sale this could be the way.

For more information, please contact **Darcey VanWagner** at **720-635-4852** or mdvw@comcast.net.

Hello all Quiltmakers and admirers - we are looking forward to the Rocky Mountain Relief Sale and Quilt Auction again this year at the Douglas County Fairgrounds on October 17th and welcome your handcrafted new or excellent condition second owner quilt donations. The quilt submission form is open on the Relief Sale Website, <http://www.rmmcsale.org>. You can also use this link to go directly to the submission form: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeks0CMohfm_fDNwPE6V5em8vJ8Niiw1QBU4BJUaWe0cCQ5eg/viewform We are hoping to have 100 quilts in the auction again this year. The deadline for the online submissions is **September 1st**. Please deliver your quilt to one of the quilt contacts noted in the guidelines on the website by September 15th. If you have any trouble or need any support, please reach out to me at eschrockefs@yahoo.com or 303-549-5882.
Katrina Schrock - Quilt Auction Chair

From Rocky Mountain Mennonite Relief Sale

Mark your calendars! The *Rocky Mountain Mennonite Relief Sale* will be held on Saturday, October 17, at the Douglas County Fairgrounds.

Thanks to the generosity of our churches, volunteers, and supporters, we were able to send \$123,000 to MCC last year. What an incredible blessing!

From Rocky Mountain Mennonite Disaster Service

Aspen Acre Wildfire update. The largest wildfire currently burning in the United States is west of Pueblo, Colorado. It is only 40% contained and has burned 100,000 acres. 1501st responders are fighting the fire, and 11,000 people have been evacuated. Mennonite Disaster Service has been on site for 2 1/2 weeks.

The Rocky Mountain unit needs your help. Survivors and evacuees started returning to their homes last Friday. 870 structures have burned; almost 400 homes are lost. Here's what you can do: contact your congregational MDS representative. They will have more information on how you can help. Here are three things we need immediately: first, pray for the survivors and the evacuees. It has been horribly hot and difficult. Second, consider volunteering in either Bueller or Rye, Colorado, to help with the cleanup of burned-out homes. We'll start asking for volunteers two weekends from now. Third, if you can't physically be there, consider a monetary gift. Clothes and food cannot be used by homeless survivors. Your funds will directly go to their support. You may write a check to United Way of Colorado or to Mennonite Disaster Service. If you send it to MDS in Lititz, Pennsylvania, please write in the memo line "for Rocky Mountain unit". You'll receive a tax-deductible donation. The volunteer coordinator is Mary Johnson; text her at 303-726-9890. Thank you so much for your care and prayers.

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.