

ARISE, FOR LIGHT HAS COME!
MENNONITE WORLD FELLOWSHIP SUNDAY

JANUARY 25, 2015

Worship – 9:30 a.m.

Sunday School – 10:50 a.m.

PRELUDE

Karen Goering Hostetler, Accompanist

WELCOME

Ky Stoltzfus, Worship Leader

*CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 57:8-11

L: Awake, my soul! Awake, O harp and lyre! Awake the dawn.

**C: We will give thanks to you, O Lord, among the peoples;
We will sing praises to you among the nations.**

L: For your steadfast love is as high as the heavens;
your faithfulness extends to the clouds.

**All: Be exalted, O God, above the heavens.
Let your glory be over all the earth.**

*HYMN #126

How wondrous great

CHILDREN'S TIME

Renee Reimer

ANTHEM

Halle, halle

arr. Hopson

(Please reserve expressions of appreciation for Community Building time)

SCRIPTURE

The Lord's Prayer
Matthew 6:9-13

SERMON

Finding and following Jesus in the Mennonite maze

HYMN (see insert)

Called as Partners in Christ's Service

COMMUNITY BUILDING TIME

INTRODUCTIONS

We are glad you are here. Once the attendance register reaches the center aisle, please pass it back to the outer aisle.

SHARING JOY

SHARING CONCERNS

PRAYING TOGETHER**

Slips of paper are available in the attendance register for those who wish to offer joys and concerns silently and anonymously. These papers, if put in the offering plate, will be placed in the prayer bowl at the front of the sanctuary.

L: Our creator in heaven, holy is your name:

C: Mystery beyond our knowing, close to us as our breathing, in humble awe we pray. (silent prayer)

L: Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

C: We pray for your vision of justice and mercy to be made real in our world even now. (silent prayer)

L: Give us today our daily bread.

C: We pray for your vision of enough; enough sustenance, enough warmth, enough healing for all of your children. (silent prayer)

L: Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.

Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

C: We pray for the grace to let go of that which is death dealing as we embrace your vision for life, that we might follow you safely into the world. (silent prayer)

L: For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours. Now and forever.

All: Giving thanks for presence that defies definition in this life and beyond. Amen.

OFFERING

Offertory: The Lord's Prayer, arr. Wyse

Renee Reimer, soprano

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*HYMN #407

We are people of God's peace



Children in K - 5th grade are dismissed for WorshipArts (Room 114), a time for children (K-5th grade) to respond to worship, ask questions and learn more about the language, ritual, movement, sound and art incorporated in worship.

*SENDING FORTH

L: In the face of all our realities:
may we be a people who grow strong together, who name the truth,
who know what it means to live in community, moving towards a common
dream for a new heaven and a new earth
**All: *in the power of the love of God, the company of Jesus Christ,
and the leading of the Holy Spirit. Amen***

*POSTLUDE

* Please stand as you are able.

Unless otherwise indicated, hymns are in the blue *Hymnal: A Worship Book*.
Songs designated "SJ" are in the green *Sing the Journey* hymnal.

The light sculpture at the front of the sanctuary was created by Arlie Regier and his son Paul.
We have cherished the long tradition of featuring this gift during Advent and Christmas.
This year we will continue enjoying this festival of lights during the season of Epiphany.

**Prayer by Katherine Hawker. Her blog is called Liturgy Outside.

Now **Here** God

Here is a place for worship reflections. What are you sensing about God in the here and now? What words, images or questions do you want to take with you into this new week?

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