

JANUARY 15, 2017

***Being Mennonite:
Explore the past, act in the present, shape the future***

For true evangelical faith is of such a nature that it cannot lay dormant; but manifests itself in all righteousness and works of love; it dies unto flesh and blood; destroys all forbidden lusts and desires; cordially seeks, serves and fears God; clothes the naked; feeds the hungry; consoles the afflicted; shelters the miserable; aids and consoles all the oppressed; returns good for evil; serves those that injure it; prays for those that persecute it; teaches, admonishes and reproveth with the Word of the Lord; seeks that which is lost; binds up that which is wounded; heals that which is diseased and saves that which is sound. The persecution, suffering and anxiety which befalls it for the sake of the truth of the Lord, is to it a glorious joy and consolation.-Menno Simons, 16th century

Worship – 9:30 a.m.

Sunday School – 10:50 a.m.

GATHERING

PRELUDE

Rosi Penner Kaufman

WELCOME AND PRAYER

Leroy Seat, Worship Leader

*HYMN #37

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

STORYTELLING

CHILDREN'S TIME

Renee Reimer

ANTHEM

An affirmation of faith

arr. Burroughs

SCRIPTURE

Exodus 33:17-23
1 Corinthians 13:12

SERMON

Team Mennonite

*HYMN (see insert)

Praise with joy the world's creator

COMMUNITY BUILDING

SHARING JOY

We welcome the introduction of guests and visitors during this time. One way we get to know one another is by signing the friendship registers. Once the register reaches the center aisle, please pass it back to the outer aisle.

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.

OFFERING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SENDING

*HYMN #553

I am weak and I need thy strength



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

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

* Please stand as you are able.

Unless otherwise indicated, hymns are in the blue *Hymnal: A Worship Book*.

Anthem text:

God of creation we praise and adore you
For all your great mercies through years that are gone;
Your guidance and goodness thru many generations
Have brought us at last to a new day's bright dawn.

Help us to be faithful to you and your kingdom,
Your church, and the work of Christ in all our lands.
May loyalty, sacrifice, courage attend us
And bring to fullest triumph the work in our land.

With voices united our praises we offer,
And gladly our songs of true worship we raise;
Our sins now confessing we pray for your blessing:
To you, our great Redeemer, forever be praise.

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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