

**JANUARY 22, 2017**

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

*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, 1539*

**Worship – 9:30 a.m.**

**Sunday School – 10:50 a.m.**

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**GATHERING**

PRELUDE

Karen Goering Hostetler, Accompanist

WELCOME AND PRAYER

Leroy Seat, Worship Leader

\*HYMN #37

*Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*

**STORYTELLING**

CHILDREN'S TIME

Ruth Harder

ANTHEM

*True Evangelical Faith*

arr. Nickel

SCRIPTURE

Luke 4:14-24, 28-30

SERMON

*Jesus' inaugural address*

\*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 #145

*There's a wideness in God's mercy*



*Children in K - 5<sup>th</sup> 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.*

**\*SENDING FORTH PRAYER\*\***

**All: God, we thank you for the inspiration of Jesus. Grant that we will love you with all our hearts, souls, and minds, and love our neighbors as we love ourselves, even our enemy neighbors.**

One: And we ask you, God, in these days of emotional tension, when the problems of the world are gigantic in extent and chaotic in detail, to be with us in our going out and our coming in, in our rising up and in our lying down, in our moments of joy and in our moments of sorrow, until the day when there shall be no sunset and no dawn. Amen.

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*POSTLUDE**

\* Please stand as you are able.

Unless otherwise indicated, hymns are in the blue *Hymnal: A Worship Book*.  
Songs designated “SS” are in the purple *Sing the Story* hymnal.

\*\*Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

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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