

# September 19, 2021

Worship 9:30am

Faith Formation 10:50am

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## WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE

Carol Buller, organist

WELCOME AND CALL TO WORSHIP

Lonnie Buerge

Leader: Some of us are exhausted.

**People: We come to rest.**

Leader: Some of us are curious.

**People: We come to learn.**

Leader: Some of us are hungry.

**People: We come to be fed.**

Leader: Some of us are disoriented.

**People: We come to pray.**

Leader: Some of us are broken.

**People: We come to be healed.**

Leader: We gather around you today, O God.

**People: Teach us, feed us, hear us, heal us.**

**All: Grant us your peace. Amen.**

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HYMN VT 156

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

## WE LISTEN AND LEARN

MOMENT OF WONDER

Gail Goeke

SCRIPTURE

Genesis 21:1-3; 22:1-14

TEACHING

Rosi Penner Kaufman

CHORAL RESPONSE

*All the Beauty of the Lord*

Gwyneth Walker

## WE RESPOND AND SHARE

OFFERING

## SHARING JOY

*We welcome the introduction of guests and visitors during this time.*

## SHARING CONCERNS

*As we share our joys and concerns, please be mindful of those gathered remotely.*

## PRAYING TOGETHER VT 680 *Calm Me, Lord*

*Slips of paper are available in the pew racks for those who wish to offer joys and concerns silently and anonymously. They may be placed in the prayer bowl after the service.*

## **WE GO INTO THE WORLD WITH LOVE**

## POSTLUDE

*After the postlude, please exit the sanctuary for fellowship time outside.*

## **Caring Notes**

- With joy, Leah and Greg Schwarz have welcomed their baby boy Milo. Let's nourish them with food as they are home recovering, finding new rhythms, and bonding as a family. Signup to bring them a meal here. <https://www.mealtrain.com/trains/6d58m8>
  - Thank you to everyone for your kind words and heartfelt messages on the passing of my dad, Clyde Goering. It means a lot to me and my family. I kindly ask for continued prayers for my mom, Felice, as she navigates this unknown future without dad. Thank you, again, and blessings to you all. - Rebecca Davido
  - Thank you so much for your prayers, care, love and expressions of sympathy following the recent death of my mother. It is very comforting to feel your presence and kindness even when over a distance. - Catherine Boyts
  - Becky Bartel continues to receive hospital care at Overland Park Regional. She and her family appreciate our prayers and support as she prepares for anticipated surgery.
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## **Faith Formation Hour**

Rosi Penner Kaufman will lead a Sunday School class introducing the new Voices Together suite of worship materials - the first five weeks we'll explore the hymnal, and the next four the Worship Leader's guide. Weather permitting, we'll meet outside in a shady spot.

"Wisdom of the Crowd: An Inter-active exploration of Housing and Race, Issues and Remedies", coordinated by Phil Rhoads. This will be our first class offered "hybrid" for those present and those on Zoom. This will be a 5-week series. We hope that our "crowd" will be broad enough and deep enough to share our collective wisdom on these issues and uncover several possible remedies. For more information: [phil.rhoads@gmail.com](mailto:phil.rhoads@gmail.com).

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## **This Week's Activities**

September 19 – Sunday

- Youth Brunch, RMC 10:50-11:40 AM

September 20 – Monday

- Playground Committee Meeting 6:00 PM

September 21 - Tuesday

- Staff Meeting 12:00 PM

September 22 – Wednesday

- Women's Lunch via zoom 11:00 AM
- Choir Rehearsal 6:45 PM

September 23 – Thursday

- Church Council Meeting 7:00 PM

## **Upcoming Activities**

Saturday, Oct. 2nd- Intergenerational Bike Trip on Katy Trail, 10 am - 5 pm

Sunday, Oct. 17th- Youth Brunch, RMC 10:50-11:40 am

Sunday, Oct. 31st- Intergenerational Graveyard Fun, 11:45 am - 2:00 pm

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## **Announcements**

MDS volunteers needed: Mennonite Disaster Service (MDS) calls for volunteers with a heart for service and an attitude of flexibility. Volunteers are needed in Paradise, California; Jennings, Louisiana; McAllen, Texas as well as other work sites organized by local Units. MDS is seeking volunteers who, while eager to get back out there, must be ready to roll with both safety precautions and schedule changes as COVID-19 cases fluctuate. Call 1-800-241-8111 or go to [www.mds.org](http://www.mds.org) to learn more.

Thank you for your generous support of the Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale! Just recently, the relief sale board gave MCC a check for \$500,000 from the sale that took place in July! Thank you for donating your time and energy, making and buying food, donating and bidding on cars, furniture, quilts and art to support the Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale. In the past 14 months the Kansas sale has donated just under \$1 million (all during a pandemic!) to support the worldwide work of MCC. Your support becomes food for the hungry, water for the thirsty, and locally owned projects that address barriers to human flourishing, thank you.

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