Summit Mennonite Church

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Marilyn Rossiter, Pastor

Worship: 9:30 am Sunday school: 10:45 am

Stan King and Mary Schwartz, Caring Team

Welcome to all visitors! May you feel at ease with us and sense the presence of God.

We follow Christ, offering healing and hope as we serve our neighbors in need

Fifth Sunday of Lent March 18, 2018

Between Me & You, in a new covenant, God's promise and God's love grow in our hearts.

Gathering Music

Lighting the Peace Lamp

Welcome & Words of Instruction*

Hymn HWB #353 "Lord, listen to your children"

Call to worship

One: I see you, familiar faces, visitors, and guests.

What brings you here?

All: We want to see Jesus.

One: I see you, all who are here for the first time,

and all who have returned. What brings you here?

All: We want to see Jesus.

One: I see you and know that each one of you has been invited

by God to this house of worship. Thank you for coming.

Open your eyes and your hearts, for together we are here with Jesus.

All: Praise be to God!

Opening Prayer

Song HWB #247 "Jesus Remember Me"

Scripture- Psalm 51: 1-13

One: Hear what the spirit is saying to God's people.

People: Thanks be to God.

Silence

Confession

One: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All: Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have sinned against you and done wrong in your sight. As a sacrifice we bring our broken and contrite hearts. Forgive us.

Words of Assurance

Scripture Reading Jeremiah 31: 14-21

One: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People: Thanks be to God.

Silence

Song "Stay with me" HWB# 242

Children's Time

Scripture John 12: 20-33

One: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People: Thanks be to God.

Silence

Meditation Dying to Live

Offering

Sharing of Joys and Concerns/Congregational Prayer Song of Response "O Lord, hear my prayer" HWB #348

Introduction of guests; Announcements

Song of Praise "Alleluia" HWB# 101

Benediction (Each side face toward each other with palms extended)

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TODAY:

Worship Leader: Hannah Troyer

Song Leader: Pam Zook Piano: Dora Short

Nursery: Wanda & Lee Ressler Greeters: Rachael Oyer & Phil Moyer

Worship Planners: Cynthia Mason & Marilyn Rossiter

LAST WEEK

Attendance: 33 General Offering: \$1,590

\$1,814 needed weekly to meet spending plan

Jason Moyer

COMING EVENTS

Thursday, March 29 Maundy Thursday service

Sunday, April 1 Easter brunch, 9:30, Service, 10:30 (no Sunday school) Saturday, April 14, 10am – 4pm "Who is My Neighbor?" Anti-Racism One-

day seminar at The Gardens at Homestead in Fredericksburg

OUR WORSHIP TODAY-

A gift from the Taizé community in France, the order and style of our worship today is meant to inspire us through prayer, silence, and song.

*Please Note: The simple refrains are meant to be sung over and over, so that a simple song becomes a prayer.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Marilyn's office hours next week will be Wednesday, March 21, 9-noon and Friday, March 23, noon to five. Please call her cellphone to set up times and locations for meetings.

Open Arms Hispanic Ministry is hosting TACO TUESDAY, a fundraising banquet on March 20, at the Kidron Park Community Center. The meal begins at 6 pm and will feature a catered taco bar. Music by guest musician, **Bryan Moyer Suderman**, and a program of Open Arms ministry highlights will follow. A free-will offering will be taken. Please RSVP by March 16, to OpenArms.rsvpify.com, to reserve your place!

Hannah Troyer is the co-organizer of a grassroots movement and free conference on April 14th, called "The Neighborhood: Who is my neighbor?" The Neighborhood exists to bring together people with diverse experiences, to listen to and learn from each other, with the purpose of building meaningful community. You'll have to opportunity to hear stories told by people of color, about their experiences living in a majority white Christian culture. The event will be held at The Gardens at Homestead in Fredericksburg from 10am-4pm. Please see Hannah for further details on attending, volunteering, or donating."

Some donations still tax deductible. Most of us give, not because of the tax benefits, but because we want to share with others. Nevertheless, some donations remain tax deductible under the new federal tax law, including charitable distributions from Individual Retirement Accounts (IRAs), gifts of commodities and large gifts to donor advised funds.

MCC Vietnam Storytelling Event: Join Mennonite Central Committee for stories of Vietnam at 7:00 p.m. on Saturday, April 7, at Kidron Mennonite Church Fellowship Building, 3987 Kidron Road, in Kidron. Special guest speakers will be Doug Hostetter, current director of the MCC United Nations Office, and Thien Tran, Vietnamese intern in the MCC U.N. office. In light of the 50th anniversary of the Vietnam War, Doug will share from his first-hand experiences in Vietnam as a conscientious objector with MCC and his subsequent work. Thien will also share about growing up after the war and the legacy it left behind.

BACM: Bring **Canned soup/Ramen noodles and shampoo/Conditioner** for the month of **March** and drop into the box by our white giving tree. Always accepted are Styrofoam and cardboard egg cartons, clean plastic grocery bags and travel sized toiletries.