

Summit Mennonite Church

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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

October 28, 2018

Focus Statement: *The impacts of the Doctrine of Discovery, including land theft and loss, broken relationships, and cultural assimilation, are part of our history as Mennonites. Whether we are people of color, and/or descended from white settlers, our stories here on Turtle Island lead us to lament the ongoing wounds of colonialism and to call out to God for healing and justice.*

Centering Bell/Gathering Music

Lighting of Peace Lamp/Land Acknowledgement

Welcome/Call to Worship

Leader: Come. You are welcome here, as everywhere, in the faithful presence of God. Sit. Listen. Breathe. This presence is a gift.

All: We breathe in the gift of joy.

Leader: Bubbling, beautiful joy that bursts from our lips in song and laughter. joy in this earth, for the blessed bustle of beings that make their homes here.

All: We breathe in the gift of hope.

Leader: Hope for the past, that we can hear true stories of those who came before us. Hope for today, that we can begin to be people of God's healing. Hope for the future, for the world to be made new when justice and peace shall kiss.

All: We breathe in the gift of love.

Leader: Love that fills and overwhelms us. Love that will never turn away its face, even from our darkest places.

All: We breathe in the gift of life.

Leader: Come, into the gift of new life, in the name of the true and living Holy One, Who made us for love Who saved us by love, And who loves us still, Come, in fullness of life!

Prayer Song: STJ 24 Creation is a song (written by Cheyenne Peace Chief and Mennonite pastor Lawrence Hart)

Introduction of the Service **Invitation to lament**
Children's Time

Pastor Marilyn Rossiter
Hank Rossiter

Scripture Readings: Psalm 130, Mark 10: 46-52 ~ The Message, Eugene H. Peterson

Reading 1 Broken covenants and stolen land

Reader 1

Confession

Pastor Marilyn Rossiter

Lament (based on Psalm 130)

*****Leader:** Out of the depths we cry to you, O Lord. Lord, hear our voice!

We are deep under the weight of sin that piles up generation upon generation. Pressed into the ground we wait for the Lord, our souls wait, and in God's word we hope.

All: Our souls wait for the Lord, more than those who watch for the morning.

Song: HWB# 136 From the depths of sin and sadness

Reading2: Cultural assimilation and intergenerational trauma.

Reader 2

Confession

Lament (based on Psalm 130 (see above ***)

Song: HWB#377 Healer of Our Every Ill

Reading 3: Ecological devastation and neocolonialism

Reader 3

Confession

Lament (***)

Song: STS 54 What does the Lord require of you?

Reading 4: Resilience, survival and hope

Response

Leader: O my people, hope in the Lord! For with the Lord there is steadfast love, and with God is great power to redeem. It is God who will redeem us from our iniquities, who will show us the way of justice and peace.

All: Our souls wait for the Lord, more than those who watch for the morning.

Silence

Poem "Eagle Poem" by Joy Harjo

Offering and Offertory

Sharing of Joys and Laments/ reflections on the service

Congregational Prayer

Introduction of Guests/Announcements

Song of Blessing: STJ#77 The peace of the earth be with you

TODAY:

Worship Leader: Rachael Oyer

Song Leader: Kyle Yoder

Pianist: William Troyer & Susan Moyer

Greeters: Rachael Oyer & Phil Moyer

Nursery: Karen Steiner & Deb Barry

Worship Planners: Hank & Marilyn Rossiter

LAST WEEK

Attendance: 32

General Offering: \$1,174

\$1,814 needed weekly to meet spending plan

THIS WEEK

Sunday, Nov 4: Dedication of Peace Garden/Congregational Gifts

Discernment Meeting (no Sunday School)

COMING EVENTS

Sunday, Nov 11: Cynthia Mason preaching

Sunday, Nov 18: Thanksgiving Meal

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Marilyn will be taking Monday and Tuesday off this week. She will be available for appointments Wednesday, Thursday or Friday. She will be at Summit on Thursday from 3- 6 and Friday from 4:30-7:00. Text or call for a time.

Next Sunday remember to **“fall back”** an hour. We will gather to dedicate Claire’s Peace Garden as part of our worship. We will also hold an important gifts discernment congregational meeting. Please make it a priority to be present, everyone!

Marilyn and Hannah participated in the Ohio Leadership Training workshop October 26-27 in Bellville, Ohio. They will also participate in Women Doing Theology at AMBS, Elkhart, IN November 8, 9, and 10.

The exterior doors have been re-keyed and a limited number of new specialty keys are on order, and will be available in a few weeks. A new key is in the lockbox on the back door. As before, if you need to get into the church you can get the combination from Jack, Stan, or Lee.

World Crafts in Kidron is a nonprofit organization providing fair, vital income to artisans around the world through the sale and marketing of their Fair-Trade handcrafted products for over 28 years. World Crafts Christmas open house on Thurs, Nov 8, from 9:30 am - 8:00 pm. *20% off your purchase*refreshments
*register to win a gift certificate13110 Emerson Rd, Kidron

BACM: Bring **Canned Fruit & Shampoo/Conditioner** for the month of **November** 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.

MENNONITE MISSION NETWORK PRAYER REQUEST: Mennonite Mission Network requests prayer for a new conference in Ecuador, *Iglesia Cristiana Anabautista Menonita de Ecuador*. Pray for members as they establish healthy leadership patterns to respond to the needs of their congregations and the many refugees who seek to build a new future.