

Berkey Avenue Mennonite Fellowship

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We Gather

Prelude

Call to Worship

Gathering Prayer

Songs: *I sought the Lord* (blue, 506)

God of our life (blue, 486)

We Turn to God

Affirmation of our Faith (blue, 711)

Song of Praise: *I heard the voice of Jesus say* (blue, 493)

Offering and Offertory

Children's Time Anna Mast, Lori Good, Diana Paz-Earnhart

We Hear God's Word

Song: *Will you let me be your servant* (blue, 307)

Scripture: 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a Dick and Nancy Yoder

Sermon: "Christ Caring for People through People"

Marilyn Rudy-Froese

We Respond

Song of Response: *O God, your constant care* (blue, 481)

Commissioning Deacons, Stephen Leaders and Stephen Ministers

Congregational Response: May God bless each of you richly that you might be a blessing to others.

Congregational Sharing and Prayer Dan Schrock

Song: *Longing for light* (green, 54)

Closing Prayer

Transition to Fellowship, Christian Education, and Mission

Welcoming Visitors (*Please pass the friendship registers.*)

Announcements

(*Join us for coffee and tea in the fellowship hall.*)

Benediction

During worship, childcare is available for infants and toddlers in the nursery.

Worship Participants:

Worship Leader: Shirley Dick

Song Leader: Miriam Augsburg

Accompanist: Deb Brubaker

Prelude/Offertory: Amy Buckwalter and Lois Stoltzfus Mast

Media Technician: Phil Bauman

Ushers: Bob and Lorraine Pflederer

Visuals: Anne Berry

Visitors can find a newsletter on the literature rack in the fellowship hall.

Nurture Hour begins ten minutes after worship. First enjoy a time of fellowship after the worship service.

Classes for Children and Youth

Children from preschool through fifth grade go directly to their classrooms after worship for a snack.

- ◆ Infants and toddlers meet in "Cherub Corner"
- ◆ Preschool (2, 3, 4, and 5 year-olds) meet in "Joyful"
- ◆ Primary (grades 1-3) meet in "Peace"
- ◆ Middlers (grades 4-5) meet in "Gentleness"
- ◆ The JYF (grades 6-8) and MYF (grades 9-12) meet in classrooms off Jubilee Hall

Classes for Adults

- ◆ College class meets in the library.
- ◆ Women's class meets in Lois' office. Discussing the book *Traveling Mercies* by Anne Lamott.
- ◆ "Better for You than a Donut" class meets in Dan Schrock's office. Discussion-oriented.
- ◆ Sermon discussion class meets in the sanctuary.
- ◆ "Practices: Mennonite Worship and Witness" meets in the "Forgiveness" classroom.

Life Springs

Water running through a dry and barren land,
brings life.
All that's laid dormant,
as it connects with the life-giving source,
grows and flourishes.
So it is with Jesus' love and grace.
It brings to blossom all that could be.
We are but the vessels
that carry that life-giving water to others.
We've been given life by God
so that we might give to others.
We cannot give to others
what we do not possess.
We've been given sight
so that we can help others see God's truth.
We've been given ears
so that we can listen to those who need to be heard.
We've been given hands so that we can reach out,
touching others with God's love in practical ways.
We've been given feet
so that we can walk alongside those whose way is difficult.
We've been given a mouth
so that we might tell others about Jesus.
We've been given a heart
so that we can feel the pain of those who suffer,
the joy of those who celebrate.
God bless you as you minister,
being a vessel that empties itself
of what it has received
so that it can receive still more
from the Source of all life.

Twila Jean Charles

Caregiving Commission

"Nurturing faith through compassion and caring"

Deacons: Laura Horst
Richard Miller
James Yoder
Renae Yoder, chair

Stephen Ministry

"Called to be Christ's loving, caring, healing presence"

Stephen Leaders: Shirley Dick
Marilyn Rudy-Froese

Stephen Ministers: Lori Good
Twila Leichty
Anna Mast
Diana Paz-Earnhart
Nancy Yoder
Richard Yoder

Caregiver's Compass