



## Berkey Avenue Mennonite Fellowship

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## Forgiveness

### Gathering & Praising

Prelude Andy, Eli, & Anja Martin  
 Opening Song: "Praise, praise, praise the Lord!" green, 11  
 Invocation  
 Songs: *Wonderful grace* blue, 150  
       *How can I say* purple, 117  
       *Gentle God, when we are driven* purple, 71

### Hearing God's Word

Song: *Will the children?* insert  
 Children's Time Beth Berry  
 Offering Our Thanksgivings and Money  
 Scripture: Mark 11:12-14, 20-26  
               Matthew 5:21-24  
 Sermon: "Forgiveness" Peter Shetler  
 Prayer for Forgiving Others

God, it's hard to forgive someone who has hurt us—  
**who has deceived us or took advantage of us,**  
 slandered our good name or impugned our integrity,  
**stole from us, betrayed us, or abandoned us.**

We can feel wounded or angry,  
**vengeful or sad.**

By the gracious power of the Holy Spirit,  
**help us to forgive.**

By the healing power of the Holy Spirit,  
**drain the poison of bitterness away from us.**

Give us the balm of the Holy Spirit,  
**and restore us to new life. Amen.**

### Responding to God

Song: *Forgive our sins as we forgive* blue, 137  
 Congregational Sharing and Prayer Laverne Nafziger  
 Closing Prayer

### Transition to Fellowship, Christian Education, and Mission

Holding Our World: The Window

Ed Swartley

Welcome & Introduction of Visitors

*(Please pass the friendship registers)*

Announcements

Song: *Beloved, God's chosen*

green, 38

Benediction

### Worship Participants:

Worship Leader: Dan Schrock  
 Song Leader: Lisa Showalter  
 Accompanist: Angela Shenk  
 Infants Care: Lori and Ron Good  
 Toddler Care: Laura and Randy Horst  
 Ushers: Diane and Lowell Nafziger  
 AV Operator: Phil Bauman  
 Visuals: Elisabeth Barahona

*We offer childcare during worship for infants & toddlers. Children under 2 years of age may go to the Cherub Corner room, while 2 and 3 year olds may go to the MYF room.*

### Nurture Hour

Sunday school begins at 11:00 a.m. and ends at 12:00 p.m. First enjoy a time of fellowship after the worship service.

- INFANTS & TODDLERS (ages 0-2) – Cherub corner
- PRESCHOOL (ages 3-4) – Forgiveness class
- PRIMARY (grade K-2) – Peaceful class
- MIDDLE (grade 3-5) – Joyful class
- JUNIOR YOUTH – JYF – off Jubilee hall
- HIGH SCHOOL – MYF – off Jubilee hall
- COLLEGE/YOUNG ADULT – Library
- YOUNG ADULT (off Jubilee hall)
- ADULTS
- Sermon Response (sanctuary)
- Better Than a Donut (end of hallway) – discuss various topics
- Women's class (off Jubilee hall) – study of *Practicing Presence*
- Reading the Bible (off Jubilee hall) – read aloud books of the Bible

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