



Berkey Avenue Mennonite Fellowship

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Lent 4: Deep in the wilderness: Called to deep healing

Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, worship was held through Zoom, an online communication service.

Call to Worship

Song: *God of the Bible* VT,* 420/projected

Greeting Abbe Buller

Call to Worship

One: The wilderness is without and within. It too is part of God's path, though we fear wild, barren places, as did the people of old.

Many: When the people became impatient, asking, "Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness?" God answered by bringing healing.

One: In our barren places, God calls us to wholeness, even when we cannot see beyond the danger, isolation, and need.

Many: We forget that God is already at work in these difficult, painful places.

One: Just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Chosen One be lifted up, that whoever believes may have eternal life.

Many: For we are what God has made us, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand to be our way of life.

All: We call out to you, as you call us to deeper healing.

Song: *Healer of Our Every Ill* VT,* 644/projected

Hearing God's Word

Song: *Will the children?**

Children's Time

Steph Wieand

Prayer of Confession and Assurance

Abbe Buller

Many: Deep calls to deep.

We call to you from the depths of our hearts

One: We confess how the wilderness has revealed our need, uncovering our impatience, lifting up our pain.

We confess how the wilderness has revealed your truth.

We are created for good works.

We can turn and live.

(Silence. Or name the forces that keep us from deep healing.)

Deep calls to deep.

You call to us from the depth of your love.

Many: Calling us to deep healing.

We come to you, God.

Scripture and Sermon

Richard Kauffman

Scripture: Numbers 21:4-9; John 3:14-17

Sermon: "It matters where we gaze."

Responding

Song: *Fill Us with Your Feast*

VT,* 309/projected

Congregational Prayer

Joanne Gallardo

Transition to Fellowship and Sunday School

Mission Minute: Lacasa video

Abbe Buller

Announcements & Benediction

Theme Song: *Like A Rock*

VT,* 63/projected

Worship Participants

AV technician: Mike McHugh

Song Selection: Patsy Sherer

Theme Song: Danced by Emily Krabill and Ellie Wenger

Music Team: Trish Bohn, Brenda Grimes, Laura & Randy Horst, Lois Mast,
Patsy & Michael Sherer, Greg Smucker, Andrea & Brandon Yoder

Prelude Visuals: Elisabeth Barahona

**Hymnal codes: Hymnal A Worship Book (HWB); Sing the Journey (STJ); Sing the Story (STS); Voices Together (VT)*

*** Will the children?, written by Greg Smucker, recorded by Angela & Nate Shenk*

Nurture Hour

Zoom classes for adults:

- Work and Faith Stories
- Women Tending our Souls