

FAITH MENNONITE CHURCH

March 28, 2010
Palm/Passion Sunday

Prelude

Welcome

*Call to Worship

L: We bear witness to Jesus who became obedient unto death.

P: May we, too, become obedient.

L: We lift up Christ who emptied himself and became a servant.

P: May we, too, become servants.

All: We celebrate Jesus, our model.

***Hymn:** “Hosanna, loud hosanna” #238 HWB

Scripture reading: Luke 19:28-40

Procession of Palms: “Jesus is coming” (insert)

Children’s time

Processional Offering

“Go tell it on the mountain that Jesus Christ *is king*”

Congregational Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours

now and forever. AMEN

The Passion: Luke 22:14–23:49

Hymn: “My song is love unknown” #235 HWB (vv. 1, 2, 7)

Announcements (please give in writing to worship leader)

Introduction of guests

***Sending hymn:** “Ride on, ride on in majesty” #239 HWB (vv. 2-4)

*Benediction

L: A king has become one of us,

P: our teacher and brother.

L: A ruler has become a servant to us,

P: our example and companion.

L: A leader invites us to a new way of life.

P: We will walk with him in humility.

*Passing the Peace / Postlude

HWB: Hymnal Worship Book STJ: Sing the Journey

**Please stand if you are able*

Community Time

- **Fellowship time –10:45-11:10 a.m.**

- **Children’s singing – 11 a.m.** Education wing chapel

- **Christian education – 11:15-noon** Adult classes:

- Parent connection to Gather ‘Round – balcony
- Speaking of Faith – Library
- Ways to Pray – Chapel, Education wing

TODAY: Palm/Passion Sunday (Luke 22:14-23:49)

Worship Leader: Joetta Schlabach

Song leader: Gregg Richardson **Piano:** Sandra Westby

Drum: Ry Siggelkow

Readers: Candace Lutt, Phil Stoltzfus,

Silhouettes: Rich Deming, Dick Christoph, Dan Leisen, and
Natalija Zacharova-Nausede

Nursery volunteers: Beth Richardson & Matthew Hendricks

Fellowship: Cleta Roth Gingerich & Orv Gingerich

NEXT SUNDAY: Easter (Isaiah 65:17-25; John 20:1-18a)

Sermon: Joetta Schlabach

New Member/Baptism sharing: Bob Brown, Eric Kasper, Adam Nafziger

Song leader: Hermann Weinlick **Organ:** David Mayou

Nursery volunteers: Thaine Dirks & Rhonda Martin

We will begin our gathering on Easter morning with a breakfast at 8:30 a.m. Menno’Faith will rehearse at 9 a.m. on Easter Sunday and sing in the Easter worship service. Bob Brown and Eric Kasper will be welcomed into membership during our 9:45 service; Eric and Adam Nafziger will receive the rite of baptism. There will be no education classes.

A staffed nursery for toddlers and children up to age 5 is located in the education wing. Please ask an usher if you wish to be guided to the nursery.

Holy Week Services

April 1, Maundy Thursday

6:00 p.m. Meal, communion & foot washing. FMC fellowship hall.
Please sign up today if you are able to bring something to the meal: **soup, bread, or fresh fruit.** (Childcare provided after the meal)

April 2, Good Friday

7:00 p.m. Service at Bethany Lutheran Church, 2511 East Franklin Avenue, Minneapolis, in the Seward Neighborhood.

7:00 p.m. Walking With Jesus, Stations of the Cross Labyrinth Walk, adapted from Henri Nouwen’s *Walk With Jesus*, Lyndale United Church of Christ, 2822 Lyndale Ave. South, Minneapolis.

April 3, Holy Saturday

7:00 p.m. **Easter Vigil,** Basilica of St. Mary, Minneapolis

7:30 p.m. **Easter Vigil,** St. Peter Claver Catholic Church, St. Paul

Faith Mennonite Church

Pastor: Joetta Schlabach

Ministry Staff Person: Kathleen Remund

**Deacons: Kami Blackwell Kinney, Greg Renstrom
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FMC OFFICE HOURS: March 29-April 2

Pastor: Mon 1-5; Wed & Thurs 9-4. Tuesday is a study day. Joetta is open to receiving calls at home on Monday and Wednesday evenings from 7-8:30 p.m.

Ministry Staff Person: Monday 1-3 p.m., Friday 9-Noon.

Office Assistant: Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

*Email all bulletin items before **Wednesday evening to:***

faithmc@faithmennonite.org. Bulletin is finalized and printed on Thursday.

March 21: Attendance: 97 Offering: \$4,244

Easter Sunday, April 4

8:30 Breakfast – Please bring an egg dish, rolls, or fruit salad

9:00 Menno' Faith rehearsal

9:45 Worship in Celebration of the Resurrection

Church Meetings and Events

April 7 – Retreat Committee, Schlabach's, 5:30 p.m.

April 9 – Scrabble Night, Joan Kreider's, 7 p.m.

April 14 – Church Council meeting, 7 p.m., chapel

April 17 – Birthday Brunch, Schlabach's, 9:30 a.m.

April 20 – Missions & Service Commission, 6:30 p.m., Chapel

April 21 – Deacon's Commission, Richardson's, 9:30 a.m.

April 27 – Canadian Mennonite University Choir, 7 p.m.

Luke 19:28-40

After he had said this, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem.

When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, saying, 'Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. If anyone asks you, "Why are you untying it?" just say this: "The Lord needs it."' So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, 'Why are you untying the colt?' They said, 'The Lord needs it.' Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it.

As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. As he was now approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, saying, 'Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest heaven!'

Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, 'Teacher, order your disciples to stop.' He answered, 'I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out.'

Luke 23:1-12 (organ side)

Then the assembly rose as a body and brought Jesus before Pilate. They began to accuse him, saying, 'We found this man perverting our nation, forbidding us to pay taxes to the emperor, and saying that he himself is the Messiah, a king.' Then Pilate asked him, 'Are you the king of the Jews?' He answered, 'You say so.' Then Pilate said to the chief priests and the crowds, 'I find no basis for an accusation against this man.' But they were insistent and said, 'He stirs up the people by teaching throughout all Judea, from Galilee where he began even to this place.'

When Pilate heard this, he asked whether the man was a Galilean. And when he learned that he was under Herod's jurisdiction, he sent him off to Herod, who was himself in Jerusalem at that time. When Herod saw Jesus, he was very glad, for he had been wanting to see him for a long time, because he had heard about him and was hoping to see him perform some sign. He questioned him at some length, but Jesus gave him no answer. The chief priests and the scribes stood by, vehemently accusing him. Even Herod with his soldiers treated him with contempt and mocked him; then he put an elegant robe on him, and sent him back to Pilate. That same day Herod and Pilate became friends with each other; before this they had been enemies.

Luke 23:13-25 (piano side)

Pilate then called together the chief priests, the leaders, and the people, and said to them, 'You brought me this man as one who was perverting the people; and here I have examined him in your presence and have not found this man guilty of any of your charges against him. Neither has Herod, for he sent him back to us. Indeed, he has done nothing to deserve death. I will therefore have him flogged and release him.'

Then they all shouted out together, 'Away with this fellow! Release Barabbas for us!' (This was a man who had been put in prison for an insurrection that had taken place in the city, and for murder.) Pilate, wanting to release Jesus, addressed them again; but they kept shouting, 'Crucify, crucify him!' A third time he said to them, 'Why, what evil has he done? I have found in him no ground for the sentence of death; I will therefore have him flogged and then release him.' But they kept urgently demanding with loud shouts that he should be crucified; and their voices prevailed. So Pilate gave his verdict that their demand should be granted. He released the man they asked for, the one who had been put in prison for insurrection and murder, and he handed Jesus over as they wished.

Announcements

Have you completed the **FMC Celebration of Giving Survey**? The Missions & Service Commission continues to collect this data. Additional copies of the survey are located at the back of the sanctuary in case you've lost your copy.

The St. Paul Mennonite Fellowship (SPMF) would appreciate your support and presence at our worship service **this afternoon at 4:00 PM**, at Cherokee Park United Church, 371 West Baker Street, St. Paul. Leaders from the Central District Conference will be visiting in response to our exploration of membership in the Central District Conference. Worship will center on the life and history of SPMF, which spans 25 years. Please join us for potluck following worship. Enter through the door that faces Manomin Street, where you will see our sign. Thank you.

Plans are getting underway for a one-week Vacation Bible School for children age 4 through grade 4, June 14-18, 9-11:30 a.m.. Please mark your calendar and contact Shelly Hendricks if you would like to get involved: we'll need teachers, helpers, snack providers, etc. Help one morning or all five!

House to share – Rebecca Johnson is looking for two people to share a house with her in Southeast Minneapolis – two singles or one couple is fine. If interested, call her at 612-267-5306 for further information. The house comes with washer and dryer, use of freezer space, etc.

Kathleen Remund went home from worship on Sunday with the wrong hat. It's a navy **blue Greek fisherman's cap** with a red lining. She left her similar black cap behind. You can call her at **612-722-0489**.

There's a temporary Ten Thousand Villages store in Richfield, located 7630 Lyndale Avenue S., #400, Richfield, MN 55423 in Kensington Park (Next to Potbellys and across the street from Border's Books and Nexus of 494, 35W and Lyndale). Please spread the word and support this local Ten Thousand Villages, which will focus on gardening as Spring begins.

Hours, Thursdays through Sundays through May:

Thursdays - 11:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Fridays - 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Saturdays - 11:00 to 5:00 p.m.

Sundays - 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Volunteers needed — Initial needs are for sales associate volunteers to help out on the floor and to checkout customers by writing sales receipts and cash handling during store hours. Contact for Questions: Elise Winter 651-367-4145 cell ejw@usfamily.net

Seeking to fill Board of Trustees position on the Ten Thousand Villages Board — As the St. Paul Ten Thousand Villages fair trade store celebrates its 28th year, we are also looking for an additional person to come on to an already energized Board of Trustees. The board is a diverse and experienced group of volunteers that bring their business and technical skills to the task of furthering the Fair Trade mission of Ten Thousand Villages in the Twin Cities. We are especially interested in someone with skills and interest in Human Resources/Personnel, Volunteer Recruitment/Training or Outreach/Education but we are also interested in hearing what you feel you can bring to the board in other areas. If interested in learning more about serving on our board, contact Dan Leisen at dleisen@earthlink.net or call him at 612-722-5585.