

**FAITH MENNONITE CHURCH**

April 16, 2017

**Easter Acclamation**

**\*Gathering Songs:** “Christ the Lord is risen today” #280 HWB  
“Christ is risen! Shout hosanna” #272 HWB

**\*Welcome and Call to Worship** based on Psalm 118:24; 1 Cor. 15:43

Leader: This is the day which the Lord has made.

Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

**People: This is the day the stone is cast aside,  
and the mantle of darkness is cast away!**

Be glad and rejoice—God has swallowed up death forever.

**This is the day of salvation.**

The Lord of light has come and reigns forever. Christ is risen!

**All: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia! Amen.**

*From Words for Worship 1, edited by Arlene M. Mark, Herald Press,  
Harrisonburg, Va.*

**\*Hymn:** “O sons and daughters, let us sing!” #274 HWB

**Children’s Gathering Song:** “Come and see” #20 HWB

**Children’s Time:** “The empty tomb”

**Song:** “That Easter day with joy was bright” #281 HWB

**Scripture reading drama:** Luke 24:1-16

**Sermon:** “Responding to Resurrection”

**Hymn:** “Joyful is the dark” #233 HWB

**Sharing Our Joys and Concerns** (*It is a joy to welcome guests; this can  
be a time for guest introductions.*)

**Congregational Prayer and Lord’s Prayer**

Our Father/Mother 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

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**HWB: Hymnal Worship Book**    **STJ: Sing the Journey**    **Hesla: River of Gladness**  
*\*Please stand if you are able*

**Offering and Offertory:** “Enter the Joy” by Ken Medema, directed by  
Miriam Augsburgberger

**Announcements**

**\*Sending song:** “I know that my Redeemer lives” #277

**\*Benediction**

**\*Sharing the sign of peace / Postlude**

Community Time

**NO** Christian Education Classes today. Happy Easter!

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**TODAY:** Easter

**Worship leader:** Ry Siggelkow

**Sermon:** Joetta Schlabach

**Song leader:** Miriam Augsburgberger

**Piano:** Sandra Westby

**Readers:** Kristi & Tyler Zabriskie, Noelle Hendricks

**Organ:** Jim Kuebelbeck    **Ushers:** Minke Sundseth, Shelly Hendricks

**Nursery:** Susan Weinlick and volunteer needed

**NEXT SUNDAY:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter: Emmaus Road (Luke 24:13-35)

**Worship leader:** Ry Siggelkow

**Sermon:** Ron Byler

**Song leader:** Joetta Schlabach

**Piano:** Melissa Falb

**Ushers:** Thaine Dirks, Stew Thornley

**Fellowship:** Zabriskie, Graber

**Nursery:** Arlene Geissinger, David Reis

*Next Sunday Ron Byler, Executive Secretary of Mennonite Central  
Committee US, will preach. Ron will visit Emmanuel Mennonite Church  
during the education hour. Those who would like an additional opportunity  
to hear an MCC update from Ron are welcome to an MCC Alumni &  
Friends potluck to be held at FMC this Tuesday (see announcements).*

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**Apr 9:**

**Attendance: 63**

**Offering: \$1,681**

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**Thanksgivings:**

**Concerns:**

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*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.*

**Co-Pastors: Joetta Schlabach & Ry Siggelkow**  
**Deacons: Dan Leisen, Heather Wengerd,**  
**Shawn Englund-Helmeke, Katie Cuffey,**  
**Hermann Weinlick, Kristin Green**

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***FMC office hours: April 17-21***

**Ry:** Tues, Thurs 9-4 **Joetta:** Tues, Wed 10-3

**Office Staff: Aimee Weigle:** Mon – Fri 9:30-12:30

**Email bulletin items by Wed afternoon.** Bulletin printed Thurs. morning.

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**Prayer Request from Central Plains Mennonite Conference:** With joy we celebrate the resurrection of Jesus Christ as we open our lives to the risen Lord's presence to transform our lives, empower us to live fully, love freely and to worship God with our whole being.

**Come pray for our church and community!** Parent Resource Room, 9:10-9:25 a.m. each Sunday. Also, if you would like to have someone pray with you or discuss a matter of concern please look for persons with the purple "deacon" ribbon or the green "prayer" ribbon on their name tag. They are glad to meet with you.

***Directory Update - LAST CHANCE!***

**We have added Thursday (4/20) hours from 4:00 - 7:30 p.m.** for photo sessions in order to accommodate everyone. As a result of the added hours, we are hoping to end the photo sessions a little earlier and free up the time on Saturday so that there isn't a conflict with Melissa and Travis' wedding. Please call Mary at 717-468-4733 if you would prefer changing an appointment to Thursday. We need 12 photo sessions on Thursday for Life Touch to send a photography team.

Thanks to everyone for supporting the Directory project!

Use the following link to schedule your appointment:

<https://booknow-lifetouch.appointment-plus.com/9qp40cey/>

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**Church Meetings and Events** (online calendar: [www.faithmennonite.org](http://www.faithmennonite.org))

**Apr 18** – NO Sunday Text Discussion

**Apr 19** – Education Commission meeting, 7 p.m., Chapel

**Apr 20/21/22** – Photo Directory Photo Shoot, Education wing Chapel

**April 22** – Worship Commission Meeting, 9-11 a.m., Library

**Apr 25** – Newsletter items to Aimee, in the church office, by noon

**Apr 27** – Men's Breakfast, 7 a.m., Curran's Restaurant, Mpls.

**May 3** – Deacon Commission, 6:30 p.m., Kristin Green home

**May 13** – FMC Sewing Group, 9:30-11:30 a.m., Library

## Luke 24:1-16

But on the first day of the week, at early dawn, [the women] came to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared. They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they went in, they did not find the body. While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them. The women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, 'Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, that the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners, and be crucified, and on the third day rise again.'

Then they remembered his words, and returning from the tomb, they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to the apostles. But these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. But Peter got up and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; then he went home, amazed at what had happened.

Now on that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, but their eyes were kept from recognizing him.

Leader: For the word of God in Scripture,  
For the word of God within us,  
For the word of God among us,

*All: Thanks be to God.*

## Announcements

**We are Growing Hope** is a new concept for an urban CSA and food share project. This grew out of the **Growing Hope Farm** program that followed a traditional CSA model using farmland. When affordable land was no longer available, the coordinators (many from Emmanuel Mennonite Church) decided to invite people to partner with them and donate food from their home gardens. **We are Growing Hope** will provide seedlings and ask participants to return 50% of the produce. Participants pay \$20 at the beginning of the growing season to receive the seedlings. Community Garden space is also available at the Urban Ventures garden space on the Greenway. Want to participate? Talk to Joetta and/or attend the **Kick-off program on Tuesday, April 18, 7 p.m. at the Urban Ventures Greenway Garden Plot**, East 29<sup>th</sup> Street and Fifth Ave South, Mpls.

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**From Dick Westby: Join us for Seward History Stories at Matthews Rec Center**, for two Thursdays in April (4/20 & 4/27) at 7 p.m. These stories about Seward will feature historical photos, film, and maps in a 50-minute session with discussion afterwards. Tickets are \$12 per session, or \$20 for both sessions. Tickets available at the door, or by contacting Dick Westby.

**Saturday, Apr. 22, 9 - 12 noon - Volunteers for Peacebuilding needed! FMC Fellowship Hall.** MN Peacebuilding needs your help filling 600+ gift bags for LUNAFEST: Minneapolis. Please contact Donna Minter, donna@mnpeace.org, if you can help with this fun task!

**Attention MCC Alumni and Friends!** You are invited to a MCC alumni supper potluck on Tuesday, **Apr. 25th at 6:30 p.m.** at Faith Mennonite Church. Meet with fellow alumni and hear updates from Ron Byler, MCC U.S. Executive Director. Pulled pork will be provided. Please bring a dish or two to pass and your own table service. RSVP by contacting Anna Yoder at annayoder@mcc.org or 316-283-2720 by Apr. 21. See you there! (Ron Byler Will be preaching at FMC on Apr. 23rd)

**Time to Pack the Place for Peacebuilding!** Wed. Apr. 26 at 6:30 p.m. MNPeacebuilding is hosting LUNAFEST: Minneapolis, an evening of 9 internationally curated short films by, for, and about women at the Riverview Theater. See details and purchase \$25 & \$45 tickets at [www.lunafest.org/minneapolis0426](http://www.lunafest.org/minneapolis0426).

**From Glenn Geissinger:** I've been singing with **Singers in Accord** for 3 years and would like to share our spring concert with friends from Faith. Want to experience the energy and passion of baroque (Handel) and jazz (Gershwin) music together? With marvelous melodies built around texts from sacred and secular literature, guest director **Larry Bach** (North Central University) and **Singers in Accord** will take you on a choral journey to feel the groove. Delight in the harmonic, rhythmic, and improvisational drive shared by these two musical genres that originated more than 200 years apart. Please talk to me soon if you are interested in tickets; groups of 8+ receive discount tickets @ \$15 ea. and students are free. Concerts are in Edina on **Saturday, May 6, 7:30 p.m. and Sunday, May 7, 4 p.m.**

Former FMC member **Sanna Yoder**, from La Crosse, WI is **looking for short-term housing from Jan. through Mar. 2018 for herself and her teenage son**, while her son participates on a freeski team in the Twin Cities. More details in the Midweek Email Update.