

A Celebration of Christian Worship

Listening to the Other

July 30, 2017

Musical preparation for worship
Welcome

Pattie

Call to Worship

L: Lord God of justice, you know no favorites and show no partiality;

P: but you have given us assurance that the prayers of the lowly pierce the clouds, their petitions reach the heavens.

L: Look upon us who come before you as did the penitent tax collector,

P: and grant that we may open ourselves with confidence in your mercy,

and be justified by your grace.

All: We ask this through your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

Hymns #7 "Here, O Lord, your servants gather"
SJ#13 "My soul is filled with joy"

Children's Time

Kevin

Jesus loves the little children, all the children of the world. Every child in every land, Jesus holds them in his hand. Jesus loves the little children of the world.

Offering

Response song #388 "Grant us, Lord, the grace"

Congregational prayer

Meagan

Scripture Luke 18:9-14

Sermon "Othering"

Bob

Response Hymn SJ#87 "Put peace into each other's hands"

Passing the Friendship Register

Sharing of sermon responses, joys, and introduction of guests

Announcements

Closing Hymn #118 "Praise God, from whom"

Blessing

Postlude

In lieu of applause, we encourage a hearty "AMEN."

Co-pastors: Bob Brown & Shannon Dycus

Interim Pastor: Lee Ivey

Faith Formation Coordinator: Ben Tapper

Trustees: Ethel, Randy, Ralph

Care Team: Heidi, Ted, Robin, Mary, Lisa

Worship Leader: Kenda

Song Leader: Jana

Greeters: Showalter family

Ushers: Marilyn & Ralph

Ministers: Each participant in the congregation

For July there is no Sunday school or fellowship beverages.

Birthdays

Upcoming at FMC & our sister churches

July 30--Hymn sing this evening at Shalom Mennonite beginning at 6:30 p.m. and will begin with #157 of our hymnal. All are invited.

August 6-- Keeping FMC Safe Sunday school--recommended for all adults at FMC

August 6--Mara Christian Church has invited our congregation and Shalom Mennonite to join them for lunch at 1:00 p.m. Following the meal a worship service will begin at 2:00 p.m. They are very excited to host us in their new space at 415 W. Smith Valley Road in Greenwood. We will leave here after Sunday school and organize carpools.

August 13--Congregational Celebration during Sunday school with summer potluck to follow. You may bring a salad to share! There is no main dish being supplied by the group in charge of the potluck.

September 03 --Faith in Action Sunday

September 17-24 --IHN Week

PRAYER CONCERNS - July 30, 2017

- Pray for Joyce who had a fall on July 22 and spent some time in the hospital. Pray for her complete recovery.
- Pray for the congregation at Stahl Mennonite Church as they are hosting their pastoral candidate this weekend.
- Pray for David's mother, Mildred (88) who broke her hip recently during a fall.
- Pray for Sue, who fell and injured her shoulder.
- Pray for Mike and family in the death of his father, Sidney, on July 10.
- Maira, a member of Saint Gabriel the Archangel Catholic Church will be having her hearing on July 31. Pray that she will be permitted to remain in the US with her husband and two teenage sons.
- Pray for Shannon during her sabbatical.
- Pray for the Das-Roberts family as they continue to face challenges.
- Pray for Leslie as she continues to recover at home and receive therapy on a regular basis.

Please note that all prayer requests should be given to one of the pastors by 9:00 a.m. Friday morning. For Sunday morning additions, please speak to the person doing the pastoral prayer before worship.

Luke 18:9-14 (NRSV)

He also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt: "Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, 'God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income.' But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even look up to heaven, but was beating his breast and saying, 'God, be merciful to me, a sinner!' I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other; for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted."

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