

# A Celebration of Christian Worship

## Mennonicity

September 10, 2017

### Musical preparation for worship

Jana

### Welcome

### Call to Worship

L: If the human body, body of blood and muscle is to live, it needs salt.

**P: If the body of Christ, body of peace and justice is to live, it needs us!**

L: If the earthly creation, bustling and blooming, is to flourish,  
it needs the sun's light.

**P: If the new creation we are in Christ is to flourish, it needs the Spirit's light.**

L: Jesus says we are salt of the earth, light of the world.

**P: Our faith, our love, our hope —essential as salt and light.**

**All: We shall be who we are meant to be in Christ: a welcoming oasis, a  
compassionate community, a justice-making people, giving glory to  
God--**

**essential as salt and light!**

**Hymn #1** "What is this place"

### Children's Time

Jeremy

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.

### Announcements

Kenda

**Hymn SJ#27** "God of the Bible"

### Offering and My Coins Count

**Response Song SJ#67** "Let there be light, Lord God"

**Scriptures** Matthew 5:13-16

**Sermon** "Mennonicity"

Bob Brown

**Response Hymn #226** "You are salt of the earth"

### Passing the Friendship Register

**Sharing of sermon responses, joys and concerns, introduction of guests**

**Congregational prayer**

Shannon

Dycus

**Closing Hymn #70** "Immortal, invisible, God only wise"

**Blessing**

**Postlude**

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

**Co-pastors:** Bob Brown & Shannon Dycus

**Faith Formation Coordinator:** Ben Tapper

**Trustees:** Gloria, Randy, Ralph

**Care Team:** Annette, Heidi, Ted Danielson, Linda, Robin, Mary, Kevin,  
Rachel, Ben

**Worship Leader:** Marj Rush

**Song Leader:** Erin

**Greeters:** LuEtta & Delbert

**Ushers:** Marilyn & Ralph

**Ministers:** Each participant in the congregation

**Join us for a time of fellowship following the worship service. Coffee and hot tea will be available during this time.**

**Children's Ed, JYF and MYF** classes begin today. The class lists are on the doors.

**Anabaptist Essentials** will be taught by Chuck. What is fundamental to our identity as Anabaptists? How can these principles help us to identify creative and faithful ways to respond to injustice and life under an empire? We will use Stuart Murray's book *The Naked Anabaptist: The Bare Essentials of a Radical Faith* and Walter Wink's *The Powers that Be*. Meets for 12 weeks in the middle classrooms.

**Movie & Discussion: The Radicals (1990)**

It is the Anabaptist B-Movie: The year is 1525. Michael and Margaretha Sattler have fled their religious orders working to restore the church to the purity of its early days of peace, compassion and sacrificial love. The Sattlers join the Anabaptists and challenge the 1000 year control of the Church by the State. Warning: Contains graphic depiction of persecution. Meets for three sessions in the multi-purpose room.

### **Today and Upcoming at FMC**

September 10 --Ice cream and cake celebration at noon

September 15-- Women's Bible study resumes and meets each Friday at 8:30

September 17-24 --IHN/Family Promise Week

September 24--Deadline for bringing knitted scarves for refugees

### **RAYER CONCERNS - September 10, 2017**

- Pray for Mast who had her tonsils removed recently.
- Pray for a family which is part of the Mara Christian community in North Carolina who lost a 15-year-old son, Khai He, to drowning. Pray for the Mara community here in Indianapolis and elsewhere.
- Pray for Wade and family in the death of his 98-year-old mother recently.
- Pray for Erin who is struggling with severe anxiety. Pray for courage and relief for Erin and Mike.
- 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 congregational prayer before worship.*

### **Birthdays**

### **Matthew 5:13-16 (NRSV)**

“You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled underfoot.

“You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.

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