

**FIRST MENNONITE CHURCH**

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**Ministers: All Members of the Congregation**

**Pastors: Karen Martens Zimmerly, Terry Zimmerly**

**Pastor of Christian Formation: Karla Stoltzfus Detweiler**

**Office Hours:** Karen (T – TH, 9-Noon), Terry (T, W, F – 9-Noon), Karla (T & TH – 9-3)

<b>Music for Reflection/Communion</b>	Reuben Ng
<b>Worship Leader</b>	Terry Zimmerly
<b>Song Leader</b>	Donna Darby
<b>Scripture Readers</b>	Kate Reilly, Ellen Upton
<b>Proclaimer</b>	Karen Martens Zimmerly
<b>Communion servers</b>	Dianne Brennehan, Dwight Gingerich, Kevin & Maria Kummer, Marian Schwabbauer
<b>Ushers</b>	Emily Hooley, Claire Widmer Hakim Issah, Joey Krabill
<b>Toddler Care*</b>	Analisa Gerig Sickles, Renee Eigsti
<b>Greeters</b>	Erma & Del Coppinger Doris Nafziger
<b>Sound</b>	Jon Hershberger
<b>Librarian</b>	Mary Hendrickson

Pastoral concerns may be shared with the pastors or one of the Elders:  
Mark Gingerich, Nancy Halder, Kevin Kummer,  
Cheryl Martin Miller, Marilyn Rose, Roger Schrock

**CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

**10:45 AM**

**Children (all classes meet in the lower level)**

2 year olds	rm 109/111	Primary (1 <sup>st</sup> -2 <sup>nd</sup> gr.)	rm 114
3-4 yr olds	rm 113	Middler (3 <sup>rd</sup> -5 <sup>th</sup> gr)	rm 116
Pre-K and K	rm 115	Gathering & Music	rm 117

**Youth**

6 <sup>th</sup> , 7 <sup>th</sup> , and 8 <sup>th</sup> grades	Upper level, room 213
MYF (grades 9-12)	Upstairs behind balcony

**Adults:** (LL = lower level; UP = upper level)

<b>Class</b>	<b>Meeting Place</b>	<b>Current Topic</b>
Young Adults	Karen Martens Zimmerly's office	Sermon Discussion
Open Circle	fellowship hall	Reimagining Church through the lens of Simplicity
Koinonia	UP, rm. 214	Study of <i>Luke</i>
Sinape	fellowship hall	Reimagining Church through the lens of Simplicity
Ichthus	UP, rm. 215	<i>Discipleship &amp; Mission</i>
Remnant	UP, rm. 216	<i>Table to Table:</i> learning about this ministry
Bruderschaft	UP, rm. 211	<i>Discipleship &amp; Mission</i>

\* Children of all ages are welcome in our worship service! A nursery is available behind the sanctuary for you to care for your infant as needs arise throughout the service. Supervised childcare is available for children who can sit up through age 3. Please ask an usher to direct you.



May 5, 2019



## GOD AT WORK:

### *Forming & Transforming*

#### GOD GATHERS US

#### Music for Reflection and Praise

**Welcome** (please pass the friendship books)

#### Call to Worship

Jesus is here among us, let us worship together.

**We have come to worship in Spirit and in truth.**

Seek the Lord and live. Open your eyes and see your salvation!

**We have come to seek the Lord!**

Let us sing, pray, and break bread together.

**Help us to see Creator God.**

***Jesus the Christ is among the living!***

**Hymns:** #71 HWB (blue) Joyful, joyful we adore thee  
#299 HWB New earth, heavens new

#### GOD SPEAKS TO US

**Congregational Prayer:** #738 HWB

**Scripture reading:** Acts 9: 1-20

**Message:** *The Path to Easter Living*

**Hymn:** #459 HWB I come with joy to meet my Lord

**Celebrating Communion\*** and **Offering Our Gifts**

*The bread is gluten, nut, and soy free.*

**Prayer of Thanksgiving**

**Sharing & Prayers of the People**

## GOD GOES WITH US

**Hymn:** #39 STS (purple) Will you come and follow me?

#### **Blessing**

*\*All who desire to receive Christ's love and grace for their lives are welcome at the communion table. Children are welcome to receive a pretzel. Parents are encouraged to have a conversation with their teen or older child to discern their readiness for receiving the bread and cup.*

#### **PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

- We pray for students and educators as the school year comes to an end.
- We pray for Lyubov Slashcheva & Scott Roser as they transition to a new home and new jobs in Minnesota.
- We pray for Matt and Kim Healy as they remember and mourn the death of Matt's father, David Healy from Fort Collins, CO. The funeral will be July 5.
- Pray blessings for Pastor Xeng of St. Paul Hmong Mennonite Church as he is ordained today, and for Donna Stuckey, who is being ordained at Faith Mennonite Church in Minneapolis, MN for chaplaincy work.
- South Africa's presidential election is scheduled to take place on Tuesday. Pray for Dan and Kathryn Smith Derksen of Mennonite Mission Network as they work with Oscar Siwali and Southern African Development and Reconstruction Agency Conflict Transformation to minimize violence and monitor the elections.
- Help us embrace 'letting go' as the way to resurrection living.