

## Psalm 17:1-7, 15

<sup>1</sup>Hear me, LORD, my plea is just;

listen to my cry.

Hear my prayer—

it does not rise from deceitful lips.

<sup>2</sup>Let my vindication come from you;

may your eyes see what is right.

<sup>3</sup>Though you probe my heart,

though you examine me at night and test me,

you will find that I have planned no evil;

my mouth has not transgressed.

<sup>4</sup>Though people tried to bribe me,

I have kept myself from the ways of the violent

through what your lips have commanded.

<sup>5</sup>My steps have held to your paths;

my feet have not stumbled.

<sup>6</sup>I call on you, my God, for you will answer me;

turn your ear to me and hear my prayer.

<sup>7</sup>Show me the wonders of your great love,

you who save by your right hand

those who take refuge in you from their foes.

<sup>15</sup>As for me, I will be vindicated and will see your face;

when I awake, I will be satisfied with seeing your likeness.



# FIRST MENNONITE CHURCH

In Christ -  
Making Disciples through  
Loving Relationships.

Sunday School 9:30 a.m.  
Worship 10:30 a.m.

**Sunday, August 2, 2020**

## GATHERING

Gathering Music

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude to Worship

\*Call to Worship (Psalm 145:8-9, 14-21)

Shirley Baltzer

Sandy Hiebert

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*The LORD is gracious and merciful,  
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.*

**The LORD is good to all,  
and his compassion is over all that he has made.**

*The LORD upholds all who are falling,  
and raises up all who are bowed down.*

**The eyes of all look to you,  
and you give them their food in due season.**

*You open your hand, satisfying the desire of every living thing.*

**The LORD is just in all his ways, and kind in all his doings.**

*The LORD is near to all who call on him,  
to all who call on him in truth.*

**He fulfills the desire of all who fear him;  
he also hears their cry, and saves them.**

*The LORD watches over all who love him,  
but all the wicked he will destroy.*

**My mouth will speak the praise of the LORD,  
and all flesh will bless his holy name forever and ever.**

\*Prayer

Sandy Hiebert

\*Hymns

What is this place

No. 1

Longing for light

Grey Sgbk 1

Children's Story

Aleen Ratzlaff

## SHARING

Sharing and Prayer

Doug Miller

Prayer Song

Lord, listen to your children

No. 353

## LISTENING

Scripture		Psalm 17:1-7, 15
Sermon	“Recognizing God’s Voice”	Aleen Ratzlaff

## RESPONDING

*Hymn	He comes to us as one unknown	No. 498
*Benediction	As I Rise	Purple Sgbk 23
Postlude		Shirley Baltzer

***A WARM WELCOME TO ALL*** who are gathered to worship, wherever you are, and whenever you are able to watch this service!

**SUMMER FOOD 4 KIDS** will be serving hot noon meals until Sept 4 at Trinity Mennonite Church at 211 Elm Street. So keep your cookies and donations coming! We are not done yet!

### EVERENCE:

Everence will host a *Social Security and retirement income planning* webinar, on Tuesday, August 11 at 6:30 p.m. Attendees will learn about Social Security strategies, risks that can impact retirement savings and strategies to help income last throughout retirement. The workshop is free. Register soon by contacting our office at 316-283-3800, 877-467-7294 or [central.kansas@everence.com](mailto:central.kansas@everence.com).

### MCC:

#### Refugee Kits Needed!

1 adult-size toothbrush	1 wide-toothed comb
1 large bar bath soap	1 hand towel
1 nail clipper	

These 5\* simple items can make a difference for someone living in a refugee camp.

The MCC Material Resources Centers across the U.S. and Canada are running very low on these supplies. 45,000 hygiene kits are still needed this year by our partners around the world. We need your help to fulfill this need. More information can be found at [mcccanada.ca/kits](http://mcccanada.ca/kits) or [mcc.org/kits](http://mcc.org/kits).

\*MCC adds toothpaste before distribution due to customs regulations with expiration dates.

There is a bin in the foyer that you can place purchased items in.

#### School Kits Needed!

- 4 spiral or perforated-pages notebooks (8.5 in x 10.5 in and 70 sheets)
- 8 new unsharpened pencils

1 ruler (flat, good quality; must indicate 30 cm; inch markings optional)  
12 colored pencils (in packaging)  
1 large eraser  
2 new black or blue ballpoint pens  
1 small **all metal\*** pencil sharpener, one or two holes.  
\***All metal** sharpeners can be found online at [Amazon.com](https://www.amazon.com) or [Bazic.com](https://www.bazic.com). **If you cannot find all metal sharpeners**, please pack the kits without them and we will add the sharpeners.

School kits are distributed in a useful double drawstring cloth bag (11 3/4 x 16 3/4 in). You may:  
sew the bag yourself, request bags from an MCC material resources center or donate contents that we will place in a bag.

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**Please have all items to the church by August 10.**

### **MENNONITE CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

\* Mennonite Church USA has put together **a collection of laments**, written by pastors, leaders, lay people and students, on the recent and persistent violence of racism. You are invited to pray and lament along with them: <http://mennoniteusa.org/menno-snapshots/lament-violence-of-racism/>

### **CALENDAR:**

Aug 13            7 p.m. Ministries Council Meeting via Zoom  
Aug 19            7 p.m. Worship Committee Meeting via Zoom