

## **Romans 12:1-8**

**12** I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. <sup>2</sup> Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God—what is good and acceptable and perfect.

<sup>3</sup> For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. <sup>4</sup> For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, <sup>5</sup> so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. <sup>6</sup> We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; <sup>7</sup> ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; <sup>8</sup> the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness.

### **TREASURER'S REPORT:**

Income needed at this point in the fiscal year to stay on pace to fully fund our FMC ministries budget: \$91,200

Year-to-Date FMC Ministries Income: \$87,600

2nd Sunday (7/12/2020) Special Offering

- Camp Mennoscah: \$450.00

2nd Sunday (8/9/2020) Special Offering

- Mennonite Church USA: \$ 250.00

### **CALENDAR:**

September 2 7-8 p.m. 2<sup>nd</sup> Fun Outdoor Gathering

September 9 7 p.m. Care Committee Meeting



# FIRST MENNONITE CHURCH

In Christ -  
Making Disciples through  
Loving Relationships.

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

**Sunday, August 30, 2020**

## GATHERING

Gathering Music

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude to Worship

\*Call to Worship (Psalm 138, adapted)

Shirley Baltzer

Aleen Ratzlaff

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**I give you thanks, O LORD, with my whole heart;  
before the angels in heaven I sing your praise;**

I bow down toward your holy temple and give thanks to your name for your steadfast love and your faithfulness; for you have exalted your name and your word above everything. On the day I called, you answered me, you increased my strength of soul.

**I give you thanks, O LORD, with my whole heart;  
before the angels in heaven I sing your praise;**

All the kings of the earth shall praise you, O LORD, for they have heard the words of your mouth. They shall sing of the ways of the LORD, for great is the glory of the LORD.

**I give you thanks, O LORD, with my whole heart;  
before the angels in heaven I sing your praise;**

For though the LORD is high, he regards the lowly; but the haughty he perceives from far away. Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you preserve me against the wrath of my enemies; you stretch out your hand, and your right hand delivers me.

**I give you thanks, O LORD, with my whole heart;  
before the angels in heaven I sing your praise;**

The LORD will fulfill his purpose for me; your steadfast love, O LORD, endures forever. Do not forsake the work of your hands.

**I give you thanks, O LORD, with my whole heart;  
before the angels in heaven I sing your praise;**

\*Prayer

\*Hymns

In thy holy place we bow  
Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee

No. 2

Purple Sgbk 1  
Susie Kliever

Time for Children

## SHARING

Sharing and Prayer  
Hymn

Flow to You

Pastor Tom  
Purple Sgbk 4

## LISTENING

Scripture  
Sermon

Conformed? Or Transformed?

Romans 12:1-8  
Pastor Tom

## RESPONDING

\*Hymn  
\*Benediction  
Postlude

We Dream of a Turning

Purple Sgbk 10  
  
Shirley Baltzer

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

**COME PRAY WITH US!** Moms in Prayer International impacts children and schools worldwide for Christ by gathering mothers to pray. All moms of school-age children are invited to join us every Tuesday as we gather to pray for our elementary and middle school/high school. We begin Tuesday, Sept. 22, 9-10 a.m. at 506 E. Grand, Hillsboro. Childcare is provided. Call Debbie at 877-7316 for more information.

### **BETHEL COLLEGE:**

For the health and safety of participants and the wider community, **Life Enrichment at Bethel College is canceled for the fall 2020 semester.**

**Sunday, Sept. 13** – KIPCOR, the Kansas Institute for Peace and Conflict Resolution at Bethel College, will kick off its **annual film series** *virtually*. KIPCOR will host a **Zoom call, starting at 2 p.m., featuring *Selma: The Bridge to the Ballot***, the story of a group of Alabama students and teachers who nonviolently resisted a century of Jim Crow in a segregationist state to win voting rights for African Americans. Included is a **talk-back session with Larry Burks Sr., president of the Wichita branch of the NAACP. You must register to participate** at <http://kipcor.org/>

**Now at Kauffman Museum (through Nov. 29) – “Sorting Out Race: Examining Racial Identity and Stereotypes in Thrift Store Donations.”** Regular hours are Tues.-Fri. 9:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Sat.-Sun. 1:30-4:30 p.m., closed Mondays and major holidays, but with ever-changing COVID-19 protocols, you are advised to check the museum website, [kauffmanmuseum.org](http://kauffmanmuseum.org), or Facebook page or call 316-283-1612 before planning a visit.

**CAMP MENNOSCAH:**

Mental Health Spiritual Retreat at Camp Mennoscah will be a one-day event on Monday, September 7. This retreat is for those affected by mental illness, including friends and family. Activities will be outside. We will follow social distancing and mask guidelines. Please bring a mask with you. Those interested in attending the retreat should contact Camp Mennoscah at 620-297-3290.

**MCC:**

**Mennonite Central Committee is accepting donations to support people in need of food and other assistance in Beirut, Lebanon.** A massive explosion on Aug. 4 destroyed the country's main port and silos filled with grain and worsened an existing economic crisis. You can donate online at [mcc.org/beirut-response](https://mcc.org/beirut-response), by calling [\(888\) 563-4676](tel:8885634676) or by sending a check earmarked for "Beirut response" to MCC, 21 S. 12<sup>th</sup> St., Akron PA 17501.

**MCC is in need of school kits to fulfill requests from our partners around the world!** Complete kits and/or supplies (find a full list of items at [mcc.org/kits](https://mcc.org/kits)) can be shipped to MCC Central States (121 E. 30<sup>th</sup> St. North Newton, KS 67117) or dropped off in the 24-hour donation room at MCC. If you would like help unloading, please contact Kate at ([katemast@mcc.org](mailto:katemast@mcc.org), (316) 804-8432) to schedule a drop off time. Thank you for your continued support of MCC!