

## Amos 7:7-17 (NRSV)

<sup>7</sup> This is what he showed me: the Lord was standing beside a wall built with a plumb line, with a plumb line in his hand. <sup>8</sup> And the LORD said to me, “Amos, what do you see?” And I said, “A plumb line.” Then the Lord said, “See, I am setting a plumb line in the midst of my people Israel; I will never again pass them by; <sup>9</sup>the high places of Isaac shall be made desolate, and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste, and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword.”

### *Amaziah Complains to the King*

<sup>10</sup> Then Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, sent to King Jeroboam of Israel, saying, “Amos has conspired against you in the very center of the house of Israel; the land is not able to bear all his words. <sup>11</sup> For thus Amos has said,

‘Jeroboam shall die by the sword, and Israel must go into exile away from his land.’ ”

<sup>12</sup> And Amaziah said to Amos, “O seer, go, flee away to the land of Judah, earn your bread there, and prophesy there; <sup>13</sup> but never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the king’s sanctuary, and it is a temple of the kingdom.”

<sup>14</sup> Then Amos answered Amaziah, “I am no prophet, nor a prophet’s son; but I am a herdsman, and a dresser of sycamore trees, <sup>15</sup> and the LORD took me from following the flock, and the LORD said to me, ‘Go, prophesy to my people Israel.’ <sup>16</sup> “Now therefore hear the word of the LORD. You say, ‘Do not prophesy against Israel, and do not preach against the house of Isaac.’ <sup>17</sup> Therefore thus says the LORD: ‘Your wife shall become a prostitute in the city, and your sons and your daughters shall fall by the sword, and your land shall be parceled out by line; you yourself shall die in an unclean land, and Israel shall surely go into exile away from its land.’ ”

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# FIRST MENNONITE CHURCH

**In Christ -  
Making Disciples through  
Loving Relationships.**

Worship 10:30 a.m.

**Fifth Sunday after Pentecost, July 10, 2022**

## **GATHERING**

Gathering Music		Marcia Brubaker
Welcome, Announcements		Nadine Friesen
Prelude to Worship		Marcia Brubaker
*Call to Worship	VT 853	Nadine Friesen
*Prayer		
*Song of Gathering	The Love of God	VT 162
Psalms 82	"A Plea for Justice"	

*God has taken his place in the divine council;  
in the midst of the gods he holds judgment:*

**"How long will you judge unjustly  
and show partiality to the wicked?**

**Give justice to the weak and the orphan;  
maintain the right of the lowly and the destitute.**

**Rescue the weak and the needy;  
deliver them from the hand of the wicked."**

*They have neither knowledge nor understanding, they walk around  
in darkness; all the foundations of the earth are shaken.*

**I say, "You are gods, children of the Most High, all of you;  
nevertheless, you shall die like mortals,  
and fall like any prince."**

***Rise up, O God, judge the earth;  
for all the nations belong to you!***

Song	We Dream of a Turning	VT 209
Time for God's Children		Aleen Ratzlaff

## **SHARING**

Sharing and Prayer		Pastor Tom
Bringing our First Fruits		
Offertory		

Hymn

Our God in Heaven

VT 673

### LISTENING

The Lesson  
Message

Where is Our Plumb Line?

Amos 7:7-17  
Pastor Tom

### RESPONDING

Hymn  
Sending

God of Justice  
Spirit of God

VT 772  
S. Cressman, G. Yoder

*Spirit of God, grow in us,  
that we may learn to love like Jesus.  
Sprit of God, go with us,  
that we may share the love that frees us.*

Postlude

Marcia Brubaker

### Among Our Friends and in Our Prayers:

- ❖ **Continuing to pray through our directory.**
- ❖ **Pray for those having chemo treatments this week.**
- ❖ **Pray for the families grieving.**
- ❖ **WDC Request:** Pray for children attending WDC's summer story hour at the Conference Resource Library, that this would be a nurturing time of learning and fun together.

### Announcements:

- ❖ **TODAY!**
  - **Special offering** for Western District Conference.
  - **Fellowship Meal** after worship. Please stay and enjoy a time of visiting together!
  - **Youth group meeting** discussing I John 4.
- ❖ **HELP!!! Special request from** the Kitchen Committee for serving help at a memorial event meal this coming Saturday. Please sign up on the board or let someone on the kitchen committee know you are available.

- ❖ **You are NOT forgotten:** As a “family” we care about each other and want to know your favorite hymns so we can sing them together in worship. Put your ideas in the basket on the table in the foyer. Please include your name!
- ❖ **NOT FAKE NEWS!** Ministry Council Meeting Minutes are posted and in the tray on our family life board on the east wall for your information. Please read them for accurate and inspiring news about our church happenings!
- ❖ **Colorado peaches are back!** Place your order for fresh Colorado peaches today just \$27 for 10 lb. box and \$38 for 18 lb. box. Details in the newsletter.
- ❖ **Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary-** (AMBS) just sent new flyers out about there “**Lifelong Learning**” opportunities. they have some 6-week online classes that may be of interest to you. Check it out on the bulletin board by the office.

#### TREASURER'S REPORT 07/10/2022:

##### FMC Ministries Fund:

Year-To-Date Income: \$43,730.75

Year-To-Date Expenses: \$53,586.06

##### Second Sunday Offerings:

May - Bethel College: \$483.75

May - Hesston College: \$388.75

June - Camp Mennoscah: \$355.00