



# FIRST MENNONITE CHURCH

*In Christ -  
Making Disciples through  
Loving Relationships.*

Worship 10:30 a.m.

**July 2, 2023**  
**Living in God's Presence**

## GATHERING

Gathering Music  
Welcome, Announcements

Shirley Baltzer  
Sandy Hiebert

## LISTENING

Worship Focus  
\*Call to Worship

Shirley Baltzer  
Responsive Reading

*We gather now in awe of the One who has searched us and known us, the Alpha and the Omega. We come together in praise of the One for whom night is as bright as day, who was and who is and who is to come.*

**We open ourselves to the presence of the One who has formed our inward parts, the almighty God.**

*So let us lift our hearts and our voices to worship our God, who holds us and leads us, who is still with us -*

**now and always.**

\*Prayer

Sandy Hiebert

\*Hymns

*We Sing to You O God  
What a Fellowship*

VT 80  
VT 160

## SHARING

Time for God's Children  
Sharing and Prayer

Aleen Ratzlaff  
Sandy Hiebert

## RESPONDING

Offering Prayer

Congregation in Unison

**Holy God, we do not understand your thoughts.**

**Your knowledge is too wonderful for us.**

**Still, we want to participate in your creative work –  
in all that you are forming and knitting and weaving and**

**birthing.**

**So we give these humble offerings,  
knowing that you see the sacrifice they represent  
and the spirit in which they are given. Amen.**

Bringing Our First Fruits		Shirley Baltzer
Scripture 1	Psalm 139:1-18	Sandy Hiebert
Hymn	<i>Be at Rest</i>	VT 532
Scripture 2	John 14:26-31	Sandy Hiebert
Video Sermon	“Church, do you want to be well?” (MC USA Executive Director)	Glen Guyton
*Hymn	<i>We Dream of a Turning</i>	VT 209
*Benediction		Sandy Hieber
Postlude		Shirley Baltzer
<i>*Stand if you are able</i>		

**Among Our Friends and In Our Prayer:**

- Pray for God’s leading for those going to MennoCon23 in KC this week. Four people will leave on Monday and return Thursday evening.
- Seek God’s direction for FMC regarding involvement with the Hillsboro Arts & Crafts Fair.
- Praise God for 45 quilts completed and taken to MCC this week! Together it totals 105 for the year so far!

**Announcements:**

- FMC will meet in the city park next Sunday for Sunday School, Worship, and a Picnic. Plan to bring food to share.
- The office secretary will be at the church convention so will work remotely mid-week, being in the office Monday & Friday.
- Last weeks’ congregational meeting voted without dissent to combine the two tracts of land into one property as the Haven of Rest Cemetery.

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