

Anabaptist World Fellowship

Sunday

January 21, 2024

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GATHERING

Hilary Rhodes, Song Leader
VT #7

Come, Let Us All Unite to Sing

Welcome

Jed Sanford

Call to Worship

Leader: Christ is like a single body that has many parts.

All: It is still one body though every part is different.

Leader: Therefore the foot cannot say,

Right: I am not part of the body;

Leader: nor can the ear say

Left: I am not part of the body.

Leader: The eye cannot say to the hand,

Right: I don't need you;

Leader: nor can the head say to the feet,

Left: I don't need you.

Leader: If one part suffers,

All: all parts share the pain;

Leader: if one part is praised,

All: all parts share the joy.

Leader: Together, we are Christ's body:

All: each one of us is a part of it.

—VT #856

Opening Prayer

PRAISING

Sizohamba naye (We Will Walk with God)
Alabaré

VT #815
MWC Video

CONFESSING

Prayer of Confession

Lord, we confess that we do not always live lives worthy of the calling we have received from you. All too often, your church is divided, unfaithful to your word, and unresponsive to the leading of your spirit. Forgive us, we pray, and revive us, uniting us in true faith and genuine love as the body of Christ.

Words of Assurance

Music for Meditation

Jesus Loves Me (arr. Phemister)

Karin Redekopp Edwards

HEARING GOD'S WORD

Scripture Reading

Ephesians 4: 1-6

MWC Video

Sermon

"Becoming a Part of God's Bigger Picture"

Richard Gehring

Listening for the Spirit

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Music for Reflection

Danzas argentinas #2 (Ginastera)

Karin Redekopp Edwards

SHARING IN COMMUNITY

Offering Prayer

Congregational Sharing and Prayer

Leader: Lord, in your mercy/goodness,

People: hear our prayer.

Work of the Church

SENDING

Thuma mina (Send Me, Lord)

Words of Blessing

VT #834

This Week's Activities

Today	Nursery: Valerie Kropf, Cora Botts	10:00 AM
	Nursery: Laura Larson, Jeremy Steelberg	11:30 AM
	Adult Christian Formation	11:30 AM
	• Topics on LGBTQ+ Inclusion (Sanctuary)	
	• Meditation Class (Office Wing Classroom)	
	Discernment Planning Team Luncheon	12:30 PM
	<u>Serving Today:</u>	
	• A/V Technicians: Kristin Crawford, Dave Kuhlmann Taylor	
	• Greeter: Linea Richards	
	• Coffee Hosts: Danny & Adriana Alvarez, Carmen Martinez	
	• Church Opening & Lockup: Lyle Bohnert, Vacant	
Tue	Contemplative Prayer, via Zoom	7:00 PM
Wed	Women of the Word Bible Study	9:30 AM
Thu	Menno Men	9:30 AM

Announcements

- The sanctuary Sunday school class continues to explore topics related to LGBTQ+ inclusion. **Today's session** will focus on different ways people read the Bible.
- Nathan, Vina, and Dave participated in a prayerful, powerful peace witness in DC on Tuesday. They'll share stories about their experiences in a **Community Meal and Talk next Sunday** after the Education Hour. Bring a lunch for yourself. They'll also share about some of the next steps being discussed for upcoming Mennonite Action activities. All are welcome to attend!
- In two weeks (February 4), we'll hold a **brief congregational meeting** at the conclusion of the worship service to approve a budget surplus proposal. Katharine sent out the agenda on Friday. If you didn't receive a copy, please contact her.