



PAOLI MENNONITE FELLOWSHIP

June 28, 2015

*We welcome all persons
to worship, study and fellowship with us as we continually
seek to be faithful disciples of Jesus.*

Call to Worship

Leader: We gather as pilgrims
on a journey of faith.

People: We come seeking the cloud of your presence
as we travel the way.
We come seeking your pillar of fire
to light our darkness.

All: **Shine in our hearts, O God,
with the light of your love.
Make your presence known
through Jesus the Christ. AMEN**

For Prayer

Continue to lift Duane and Sherry, and their family, in prayer as they journey with Duane and spend precious time together. May they have clarity for the decisions that need to be made, and have a deep sense of God's love and presence with them.

May God grant a blessing on Matt as he concludes his time as co-pastor at PMF and explores possibilities for the future. May he sense the leading of the Holy Spirit as he discerns the shape of his ministry and calling.

Pray for the Elders, the congregation, and Rebecca during this leadership transition time.

Pray for our MYF (Zach, Dietrich, ZoraAnn, and KC) and sponsors (Andrew and Leah) as they travel to Kansas City this Tuesday and participate in the Mennonite Church USA Youth Convention. Pray for the planners, speakers, and worship and seminar leaders that the Holy Spirit would speak through them to share about God's reign and our participation in it! Pray for safe travel as they return to Paoli next Sunday.

Continue to pray for strength and comfort for those who are living with cancer, including Mickey Lewellyn and Donald Parsons.

Pray for Peter Wigginton and Delicia Bravo, and their daughter Aliyah, as they adjust to life in Quito, Ecuador. Pray for wisdom, patience, and a listening ear as they begin their new roles to coordinate ministry in Ecuador, serving with the Ecuador Partnership through Mennonite Mission Network. (See the prayer card in your mailbox.)

This I Believe. Telling the Story

"The place God calls you to is the place where your deep gladness and the world's deep hunger meet." Frederick Buechner

Gathering to Worship

Gathering Song: Here in this place - H 6
Welcome and Introductions
Call to Worship (*See back of bulletin.*)

Singing Our Praise:

Shine Jesus Shine
Thy word is a lamp unto my feet

Celebrating Shalom:

Opportunities for Generosity Special giving focus for June is Mennonite Central Comm.'s relief work in Nepal & Penny Power: Coins for Foods Resource Ban

Songs: We are giving with the heart of God
Grant Us, Lord the Grace of giving – H 388

Hearing God's Story

Children's Time: King Josiah's Story (from II Kings 22-23 and II Chronicles 34-36)

Sharing from Our Story

This I/we believe - Matt
Response

Going Out to Tell the Story

Sharing joys and concerns / intercessory prayer
Announcements
Benediction –

Matt's Farewell

Re-gathering Song: Lord, You have come to the lakeshore H 229
Blessings and stories for Matt – led by Jamey Sullivan
Prayer of Blessing for Matt
Sending Song: The Lord lift you up - SJ 73

PASTOR-ELDER TEAM

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MINISTERS

All the congregation

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OUR COVENANT

In covenanting together, we affirm that Jesus Christ is Lord. We gratefully acknowledge him as our Lord and accept his teaching as the way to live. We recognize the importance of:

- Regular Bible study, worship with others, and prayer as a vital part of our Christian life.
- Taking each other seriously, contributing our gifts and caring for one another in love to strengthen the Christian body.
- Living and sharing the Good News as Christ has taught us and as the Holy Spirit enables.

TODAY

Today is Matt’s last Sunday among us as Pastor. He will share some ‘parting thoughts’ with us and ways his beliefs have been shaped through his faith journey. We will also hear the story of King Josiah and the discovery of “the book of the law.”

Following the worship service, there will be time for us to **show our appreciation to Matt and to wish him well.** Anyone is invited to share something as a group or individually such as a song, skit, joke, or words of wisdom. Then stay for fellowship around a pitch-in meal.

NEXT SUNDAY

The Samaritan woman at the well (see John 4) is sometimes called the "first missionary." Her encounter with Jesus changed her belief and identity. Come experience this story anew! Also, Shanna will share with us her belief that scriptures have the power to transform us. We are invited to open ourselves to that opportunity!

THIS WEEK

June 30 – July 5 – MYF attend the Mennonite Church USA youth convention, in Kansas City, MO. Rebecca will attend the adult portion as PMF’s delegate. More information can be found at: <http://convention.mennoniteusa.org/>

UPCOMING

July 19 – 10:00 am, Service of Ordination for Rebecca. Friends, family and guests from conference will join us. The hospitality committee is coordinating a meal to follow the service. There will be a sign in sheet for those who would be willing to help.

Aug. 2, 5:00 pm – Back-to-School Pitch-in meal & Ice Cream Social

Inter-generational activities coming up include:

July 12 - River Watch - help monitor the health of the stream in the spot assigned to PMF. This is part of our commitment to creation care.
July 19 - fellowship meal
July 26 - still open - is there an activity you would like to lead?
Aug. 2 - After worship service, join a mentor-mentee pair as they dedicate and mount their newly-made plaque on a tree. Then at 5:00, gather for the annual Back-to-School Ice Cream Social, a time to bless our students and teachers.

Summer Campout August 29 – 30, Tipsaw Lake. Mark your calendars now. Details will be out later.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Are you looking for a way to enhance your walk of discipleship? Consider subscribing to **Rejoice** devotional. This little booklet offers daily scripture readings and reflections that connect the text to life. Please notify the church office by Wed. July 1, **last chance** to join PMF’s group subscription (cost is \$27.75 /y).

Thank You, PMF, for your generous contribution to our Fri. afternoon snack break! (We provided fruit and popcorn.) From: IN-MI conference annual session planners and attendees.

Toss your loose change into our **“Penny Power”** collection this summer and help people around the world produce their own food through Foods Resource Bank. This year we’ll have a ‘boys versus girls challenge’.

New in magazine rack: Bluffton University magazine, Spring issue on “cross-cultural learning”

<u>TODAY</u> June 28, 2015 (worship at 10:00 am)	<u>NEXT SUNDAY</u> July 5, 2015 (worship at 10:00)
<i>This I Believe</i>	<i>This I Believe</i>
Worship Leader: Jim Beachy	Worship Leader: Phil Mininger
Music Leader: Marlene Beachy	Music Leader: Sandi Sears
I Believe Matt Pflederer	I Believe: Shanna Johnson
Greeters: Wally & Evie Shellenberger	Greeters: Veronika Sukup
Nursery: Andrew Blount/Shanna Johnson	Nursery: Espri Bender Beauregard/ Larry Lehman
A.V.: Jamey Sullivan	AV: Jamey Sullivan