



# PAOLI MENNONITE FELLOWSHIP

July 10, 2016

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

## Call to Worship

- 1: Come and worship  
2: Come and worship  
3: Come and worship  
1: If you're short or tall  
3: Big or small  
2: Young or mature  
3: Messy or pure  
1: Hot or cool  
2: Depressed or secure—  
**ALL: Come and Worship**  
2: God is waiting  
3: God is hoping  
1: God is loving  
**All: Come, Come and worship**

## Prayer of Confession:

Leader: For the ways we have abandoned you  
and put ourselves in the wilderness.

**People: Forgive us, O Lord**

Leader: For the way we have marginalized others  
and driven them into the wilderness

**People: Forgives us, O Lord**

Leader: For our complaint when, in refining us  
You have lead us into the wilderness

**People: Forgive us, O Lord**

Leader: Thank you Lord, for being with us in every wilderness. Amen.

## Prayers

Give thanks for the hard work and cooperative spirit of the youth and adults as many were involved in the yard sale! Continue to pray for the youth of the congregation and community during this summer season away from the school routine. Pray for safety, good interactions with friends and family, and that they would be open to the guidance of God's spirit.

Remember those who continue to find their way after the death of a loved one, including Danny and the Parsons family in the death of his brother Donald; Glenda Lindley, and others. May God's spirit bring comfort and strength.

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## The Parable of the Unmerciful Servant

*Focus: Forgive others because God forgives you.*

### Gathering to Worship

Song: Jesus is a friend

Welcome and introductions

Musical Interlude

Call to Worship: Call to All Generations (see back of bulletin)

### Praising

Our God is a God who makes friends

Peace like a river

I've got a river of life

### Confessing and Reconciling

Prayer of confession – (see back of bulletin)

### Celebrating Shalom: JoAnn Borntager

### Opportunities for Generosity – July special giving is for Foods Resource Bank

Song: My offering I bring to you

### Hearing and Experiencing Jesus' Words

Children's time: Kelly Carson

Scripture: Matthew 18:21-35

Meditation: Kelly Carson

### Sharing our joys and concerns / Intercessory Prayer

### Announcements

**Sending song:** Blessed be the name – SS 75

**PASTOR-ELDER TEAM**

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**MINISTERS**

All the congregation

**CHURCH OFFICE**

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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**

This summer our worship centers around the parables and sayings of Jesus, which invite us to enter the story and move toward a deeper commitment to Jesus. We welcome Kelly Carson, of Mennonite Fellowship of Bloomington, to speak with us about the parable in Matthew 18: 21-35. In the gospels, “forgiveness” is needed both for material debts as well as for sin. What about forgiveness has been hard for you? What about it has been life-giving?

La clase en español, Lección - the Spanish class will focus on Lesson 4, regular verbs that end in \_\_ar, 6:00-7:15. ¡Bienvenidos!

**NEXT SUNDAY**

Continuing with parables in Mathew’s gospel, next week we are presented with a very generous land owner whose unusual method of paying his laborers may leave us scandalized, or at least puzzled! Read and ponder Matthew 20: 1-16.

**UPCOMING**

July 27, Large Group, meeting 6:30 – 8:00 pm.

July 31, **Shalom Sunday**, watch for details.

**Know Jesus**, Friday July 29 – Sunday July 31. this is a retreat for Junior High Students.

August 27-28, **Summer Campout** at Tipsaw Lake.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

This summer our **FRB / penny power offering** includes a focus on MCC work in the Chiapas region of Mexico. Coins given in the FRB offering will support MCC and local leaders in providing training for conservation agriculture, rain water harvesting, patio gardening, healthy cooking, using medicinal plants, community organizing, and leadership skills. We will collect coins from the offering in a pinata to end the summer with a celebration!

**New in the Magazine rack:** *Bulletin* – Bethany Christian Schools and *The Mennonite*, July issue addressing mental illness.

**New on the Bulletin board:** Thank you card from OC Habitat for Humanity.

**Prayers Continued**

Give thanks for Ted’s ministry with Reel Recovery, and pray for the men who are living with cancer whose lives are touched by those retreats.

Pray for those with health-related need: for Jamey’s dad as he is in hospital, and for healing for Julie as she regains strength after surgery.

Pray for Camp Amigo and Camp Friedenswald as they minister to many children and families this summer. Pray for Amigo’s new executive director, Matt Ropp, as he gets oriented to camp administration, and as his family settles into their new home.

<p><b><u>TODAY</u></b> July 10, 2016 (worship at 9:30 am)</p> <p><b><i>Parables &amp; Sayings of Jesus</i></b></p> <p>Worship Leader: Milton Borntreger  Music Leader: Joanna Woodsmall  Meditation: Kelly Carson  Greeters: Jon &amp; Crystal Shellenberger  Nursery: Bonnie Beachy/Wendell Lantz  A.V.: Larry Lehman</p>	<p><b><u>NEXT SUNDAY</u></b> July 17, 2016 (worship at 9:30)</p> <p><b><i>Parables &amp; Sayings of Jesus</i></b></p> <p>Worship Leader: Jim Beachy  Music Leader: Rebecca Kauffman  Meditation: Susan Classen  Greeters: Veronika Sukup  Nursery: Ted Larrison/Donna Mosemann  AV: Andrew Blount</p>
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