CHRISTIAN EDUCATION HOUR

Youth (*Grades 9-12*) Evie Shellenberger & Phil Mininger

Adult Class: Radical Hospitality: Responding to Immigration

Call to Worship

Leader: As God's people we are foreigners in this land; Sojourners looking for the way home.

People: We are people on a journey.

Leader: How blessed we are that Jesus walks with us and leads us

in this borderland between what is and what is to come;

between the present and the possible; among the outcasts and the saints.

People: We are people on a journey together.

Leader: Gracious God, open our eyes and hearts so that we recognize our need for healing

and sense your touch of grace.

People: We are people on a journey of healing.

Leader: Wandering but not lost, with hope we look for God's healing

and the Shalom promised by Yahweh on earth as it is in heaven.

People: We are people on a journey of hope.

Leader: Come, let us lift our voices in grateful praise to our merciful, beautiful, transforming God.

Prayers

Remember the Nunez family as Jaime's grandmother passed away in Jasper this past week. Pray for others you know who are grieving the loss of a loved one.

Pray for Melissa Lewellyn as she seeks treatment and healing for seizures. Pray also for Mishelle as she assists in care-giving.

Give thanks for how God has led you on your faith journey. Pray for openness to the Spirit's ongoing correction, guidance, and instruction. May we grow in gratitude and in ability to share faith with those we meet.



PAOLI MENNONITE FELLOWSHIP

October 23, 2016

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

We Are People on a Journey

Focus: Jesus transforms us as we walk the journey with him.

Gathering to Worship

Songs:

We are often tossed and driv'n – SS 72

Welcome and introductions

Call to Worship (see back of bulletin)

Singing our Faith

Give thanks for life – SJ 108 The Lord is my Light! – SJ 97 God, who touches earth – H 511

Celebrating Shalom

Opportunities for Generosity – Special giving for October is "Giving Back to Africa"

Hearing and Experiencing God's Word

Children's time

Scripture: Luke 17:11-19

Meditation

Responding:

Sharing our joys and concerns / Intercessory Prayer

Announcements

Sending: Now go in peace – SJ 74

Benediction

PASTOR-ELDER TEAM

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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 Oct. 23, 2016 (worship at 9:30 am)

We are people on a journey

Worship Leader: Becky Johnson

Music Leader: Mary Mininger

Meditation: Rebecca Kauffman

Greeters: Larry & Trish Moore

Nursery: Sherry Schmidt/Dave Beachy

A.V.: Larry Lehman

NEXT SUNDAY Oct. 30, 2016 (worship at 11 am)

Shalom Sunday-Peace & Justice Hootenanny

Shalom Comm. Deb, Darren, & Mary

AV: Larry Lehman

TODAY

We are people on a journey. Are we only focused on our own goals and desired destination? How has Jesus surprised you as you traveled in faith with him? How might paying attention to the journey itself open our eyes more fully to the work of God? Are we willing to be transformed "as we go"?

NEXT SUNDAY

Shalom Sunday – Peace & Justice Hootenanny!
Begins at 11:00 am and will be followed by a pitch in meal at 12:30 pm. We will sing songs of peace and justice and invite all musicians to bring their guitars, banjo, flutes, drums etc. to join in. We also will have a coffee house setting with stool and open mic for anyone who would like to share scripture, story, poem, quote, words that express their feelings, experiences, actions for peace and justice. Dress up like the peace and justice movements of the 60s or wear your favorite peace & justice t-shirt.

Junior high youth and parents, please plan to stay following the meal on Shalom Sunday to plan activities for the coming year. Bring your ideas for fun and meaningful activities.

THIS WEEK

Mon. Oct. 24, Worship Comm. 7:00 pm.

Tues. Oct. 25, Small Group Comm. 7:00 pm

Tues. Oct. 25, Shalom Sunday song practice, all musicians welcomed, 7:00 pm.

Wed., Oct. 26, 6:30-8:00 pm - Large Group meeting, (light meal from 6-6:30). Agenda to include: PET report and update on sabbatical details; finance report; updates on FYI grant and Pastoral Assistance grant; info about IN-MI conference's new vision.

Fri. Oct 28, PET Retreat, 9 am – 4pm at the Farmhouse Mission.

UPCOMING

Keep the date open: November 12 and 13. As a part of our FYI grant we have invited **Jonathan Brenneman** to be with us as a resource to understand another wall, one that exists between Israel and Palestine and how we might be involved in ways that help dismantle walls of different kinds. Jonathan is on a year assignment with Mennonite Voluntary Service to help Mennonites learn more about and support Palestinian and Israeli peacemakers. He is a young person whose faith has called him to work for peace and justice issues. More information is forthcoming.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rebecca's application to participate in a Mennonite Church USA matching grant program has been approved! PMF has set up a Pastoral Assistance Matching Grant Fund to receive any gifts that will go towards reducing student loan debt. The grant will match up to \$2500. Anyone interested in giving can designate it on the memo line of their gift.

The Finance Committee will soon begin the process of drafting the **2017 Spending Plan**. In order to do this, all committees are asked to submit budget requests for the coming year to Dave Mullet by **Sunday**, **Nov. 6**. Please estimate as closely as possible anticipated expenses for 2017 in order to assist with planning. -Finance Committee.

PMF has access to some **grant funds through Everence** to match PMFs giving to local organizations. Jubilee Clinic, OC Habitat for Humanity, Mercy Center are possibilities. Please let PET know if you have other suggestions by Oct. 24.