



# PAOLI MENNONITE FELLOWSHIP

August 12, 2018

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

## CALL TO WORSHIP

As a deer longs for flowing  
Streams,  
so my soul longs for you, O God.  
My soul thirsts for God,  
for the living God.  
When shall I come and behold  
the face of God?  
Deep calls to deep  
at the thunder of your cataracts;  
all your waves and your billows  
have gone over me.  
By day the Lord commands his  
steadfast love,  
and at night his song is with me,  
a prayer to the God of my life.  
(Psalm 42: 1-2; 7-8)

## Prayers

We give prayers of thanks for Donna Mosemann's amazing recovery from injuries she received from a fall last week. She had 25 sutures for a facial laceration and a broken bone in her right small finger. Thank you, healing God, for your care of Donna.

Prayers of thanks, Zachary Giles was successful in obtaining full time work at GKN in Salem, a factory making parts for engines and cars. We are grateful for this job opportunity for Zach.

Continue to pray for Wade Giles as he struggles with several major health problems. Wade is a part of our congregation's circle of care and prayers are appreciated for wisdom and discernment as we work together to address these issues related to his on-going care.

God of the fatherless and the widow, defender of the foreigner and the stranger, call your church to be your hands and feet, bringing comfort to those who are displaced. Empower us to challenge the powers that oppress and cause people to flee. We pray especially for Angola, DR Congo, Kenya, Colombia, the Middle East, Europe and North America where governments and citizens are overwhelmed by high numbers of displaced people and refugees, and divided on how to respond. Lord, have mercy. (a prayer from Mennonite World Conference)

## **Practicing Faith - Spiritual Companions**

*Focus: When practicing our faith, we need guides and peers with whom we can name and explore the questions of our heart as we seek God*

### **Gathering to Worship**

Gathering Song: We sing to you O God – SJ 1

Oh Lord our Lord how majestic is your name – H 112

Welcome and Introductions

Call to Worship (see back of bulletin)

### **Singing Our Faith**

Oh God we call

Be still and know

As the deer panteth for the water

Won't you let me be your servant – H 307

### **Celebrating Shalom**

**Opportunities for generosity** – Special giving for August goes to OCCF-Good Samaritan Fund.

### **Hearing God's Word**

Children's Time:

Scripture: Psalm 139: 1-18, 23-24

Meditation

### **Response**

**Tools for growth and awareness**

### **Sharing joys & concerns/Prayers of the People**

### **Announcements**

### **Sending**

**Before leaving please put all songbooks under your seat and be sure the tables are Cleaned. Thank you!**

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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.

<u>TODAY</u> August 12, 2018 (worship at 9:30 am)	<u>NEXT SUNDAY</u> Aug. 19, 2018 (worship at 9:30 am)
<i>Practicing Faith</i>	<i>Practicing Faith</i>
Worship Leader: Mary Mininger	Worship Leader: Lonnie Sears
Music Leader: Keith Gibbons	Music Leader: Joanna Woodsmall
Meditation: Julie Harrison & Wally Shellenberger	Meditation: Dave Brown-Kinloch
Greeters: Gail Brown	Greeters: Cristy Ford
Nursery: Dessica Albertson/Sandi Sears	Nursery: Shanna J/Espri BB
A.V.: Espri Bender-Beauregard	A.V.: Aaron Johnson

TODAY

Spiritual disciplines or practices are important in developing an on-going and deeper relationship with God. We will hear some personal reflections on several of these practices.

Our annual Back to School Ice Cream Social will take place today from 5-7 pm at the Sullivan/Shellenberger/Mosemann/Schmidt clearing. Come and enjoy being together as we play, fellowship, eat, and bless our students and teachers this school year. Homemade ice cream will be provided. Bring toppings or other food items to supplement the ice cream.

NEXT SUNDAY

Bolster world peace, lower your blood pressure, enhance your marriage, find joy. Gratitude offers us a life raft to keep our body and soul afloat in these difficult times. Dave Brown Kinloch will explore the important Christian practice of Gratitude in living a life full of joy and happiness.

THIS WEEK

Monday, August 13: Small Group Coordinators will meet at 1 p.m. at the church building.

UP COMING

ELF Night, Aug. 22, 6 pm – supper, 7 pm-presentation. An Evening with Brad Pickens – Scripture Endures the Millennia: What’s gained and what’s lost; what’s revealed and what’s hidden; what’s in the words and what’s between the lines?  
  
Good Samaritan Fund Annual pork barbecue is next Saturday, August 18 at the Paoli United Methodist Church. Everyone is invited for food, great music and warm fellowship. Donate what you can to support this fund that provides help at critical times for people with serious medical

conditions. Silent auction items can still be accepted. Please sign up to bring a dessert for the Saturday meal. Servers are needed for the 5:30-7:30 shift. Sherry has sign-up sheets for these opportunities.

Annual PMF Summer Campout will be held August 25-26 at Tipsaw Lake.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Do you want to listen to a PMF meditation again or did you miss one that you would like to hear? Go to the PMF website: [www.paolimennonite.org](http://www.paolimennonite.org) and click on "media downloads" tab. Be inspired!

Reminder: We are collecting school kits and items until next Sunday, August 19. Please put your donations in the basket in front of the sanctuary. A list of items for the school kits is on the bulletin board.

The Essentials Project is a new initiative at PHS to enhance a student's life by providing basic hygiene necessities and removing the social stigma of poor hygiene that can be an obstacle to success. PMF has been invited to be a partner in supporting this initiative. If you are interested in helping with this, contact Evie for more information.

Thanks to all who have contributed to supporting Hannah Thill for her year in Mennonite Voluntary Service in Alamosa, CO with prayers and dollars. Nearly \$2,200 has been donated with only \$800 more to meet the goal of \$3,000. Opportunity for giving additional dollars will continue through August while opportunity for prayer support continues indefinitely. Hannah arrived in Alamosa on Monday and was on the job by Wednesday.