**First Mennonite Church of Christian**

Pastor Laura Goerzen, Pianist - Delonna Barnett, Worship Leader - Lurline Wiens

May 2, 2021

**Gathering and Praising**

Prelude Delonna Barnett

Welcome

Announcements

Call to Worship

One: Some of us are exhausted.

**Many: We come to rest.**

One: Some of us are curious about Jesus.

**Many: We come to learn.**

One: Some of us are hungry.

**Many: We come to be fed.**

One: Some of us are disoriented.

**Many: We come to pray.**

One: Some of us are broken.

**Many: We come to be healed.**

One: We gather around you today, O Christ.

**Many: Teach us, feed us, hear us, heal us.**

***ALL: Grant us your peace. Amen.***

Song – “What is this place” #1

Scripture Reading Acts 15:1-18

Special Music – “God, Who touches Earth” #511

Requested by Joe & Bev Zerger

**Receiving God’s Word**

Sermon Kathy Neufeld Dunn

“Holy Conversation Isn’t Always Easy Conversation”

Hymn of Response – “God of Grace and God of Glory” #366

v. 1-2 & 4

**Sharing with One Another**

Sharing Joys and Prayer Requests

Prayer of the Church

**Going in God’s Name**

Sending Song – “Come, come ye saints” #425

Benediction

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**Holy Conversation**

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**First Mennonite Church of Christian**

**Moundridge, KS**

**A welcoming Community of Christians for Peace**

**May 2, 2021**

**Opportunities**

**Today:** 9:30 am Sunday School

10:00 am First Perk

10:30 Worship Service

**May 5:** Worship Team, 10:00 am

**May 15:** Moundridge High School Graduation

**May 16:** 10:00 am,Reception for graduates, Corbin Unruh and Jacob Goerzen

**May 17:** Moundridge 8th Grade Graduation

**May 19:** Deacons, 7:00 pm

Church Board, 8:00 pm

**July 11:** Laura’s last Sunday

**Sunday, May 9:** Organist – Hazel Voth, Worship Leader – James Allen, Special music – Nicole Unruh

The moral imperative, it seems to me, is always to take care of the things you use, that you are dependent on, and that you will pass on to generations to come.  The moral imperative is to waste nothing and ruin nothing, to keep the world as an inheritance given in trust to pass on to coming generations.  There is no moral imperative to waste and ruin and plunder.  That’s hogwash.  
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**Announcements**

**FMCC congregants**, please be advised that former church attendee Bill VanZant has declined to sign the Board's limited access agreement and is therefore not allowed on church property.

**New Hymnal Dedication - Invitation to Participate!** As worship team prepares to dedicate the new Voices Together hymnal, we'd like to invite members of the congregation to submit hymn requests to be sung on the dedication Sunday (TBD). Check out a Voices Together hymnal from church and select 1 old hymn (a repeat from the blue hymnal) and 1 new hymn (a song that is new to the purple hymnal). Send your selections to Lurline Wiens or Pastor Laura for inclusion in the dedication Sunday.

**No Sunday School**: There will be no Sunday School, Sunday, May 16, so that we can celebrate our graduates with a reception.

**Graduations** are almost here. If you have a family member graduating, middle school, high school, college, please let Lurline know, and we will celebrate them by listing them in the bulletin. Please let Lurline know by May 11. We would love to help celebrate all of our church family’s graduation joys.

**Mark your calendars for Vacation Bible School,** three nights: July 11-13 at West Zion!  We’re looking forward to getting VBS started again after a year off, and we need volunteers to make it happen.  Can you help?  VBS is a great time to reach out and connect kids to the love of Christ.  Contact Lory Fisher with questions or to volunteer! (620-794-6125; [huffycross58@gmail.com](mailto:huffycross58@gmail.com))

**Get your MCC Relief Sale** gear online at <https://wearatomic.com/product-category/mcc/> The proceeds from the sale of these products go to support MCC.

**There are openings for youth** at Camp Mennoscah's summer youth camps!  Several of the camp weeks still have space for more campers.  Register at [www.campmennoscah.org](http://www.campmennoscah.org/) and find further information in the camp blog!

**Help set up camp!**  Volunteers are needed to help set up the HUGE tents used for this summer's youth camps at Camp Mennoscah.  Setup will happen May 28 and 29.  Sign up by May 15 by contacting 620-297-3290 or [olivia.bartel@campmennoscah.org](mailto:olivia.bartel@campmennoscah.org).

**Camp Mennoscah is seeking to fill** a part-time custodian/housekeeper position.  Hours average 10 per week and are flexible, dependent upon the camp schedule.  For more information, contact Camp Mennoscah at 620-297-3290 or [olivia.bartel@campmennoscah.org](mailto:olivia.bartel@campmennoscah.org)

Nurses needed for summer youth camps!  Camp Mennoscah needs nurses for June 17-19 (First Camp), June 20-26 (Junior I) and July 25-30 (Senior High).  Nurses receive a stipend or a discount up to full camp fees for their camper (camper does not have to attend the same camp week).  Contact us at 620-297-3290 or [olivia.bartel@campmennoscah.org](mailto:olivia.bartel@campmennoscah.org) for more information.

**Sunday,** **May 2, 4 p.m. –** Spring choral concert, featuring the Bethel College Concert Choir, Woven and Open Road on the steps of the Administration Building on campus. Bring your own chairs/blankets. *Please note that face coverings must be worn and physical distancing practiced on the Bethel campus.*

**Tues., May 4, 7 p.m. –** Bethel College Steel Drum Band concert on the plaza in front of Luyken Fine Arts Center. Bring your own chairs/blankets. *Please note that face coverings must be worn and physical distancing practiced on the Bethel campus.*

**Weds., May 5, 7 p.m. –** Jazz on the Green, featuring Bethel College Jazz Ensemble and Jazz Combo,a little south of the usual location, on the slab to the east of the art gallery (rain location: Krehbiel Auditorium).Bring your own chairs/blankets. *Face coverings must be worn and physical distancing practiced on the Bethel campus*

**Sat., May 8, 5 p.m. –** Trae Gehring junior tuba recital, Administration Building chapel on the Bethel College campus. Free and open to the public with *limited seating, physical distancing enforced for non-family groups, and face coverings required.*

**Sunday, May 9, 2 p.m.** – Concert by Bethel College’s small a cappella ensembles Open Road (men) and Woven (women), on the steps of the Administration Building on campus.Bring your own chairs/blankets. The concert is free, but a freewill offering will be taken to support the Concert Choir's 2022 Europe tour. *Face cov*

**Hesston College Bel Canto Singers** will be presenting outdoor music program at different churches. The announcement and schedule is on the South Bulletin Board. Be sure to check it out.