

Shalom Mennonite Church

January 15, 2012

Known and Called by God

Part 1: Called as a Community

Gathering in God's Presence

Welcome and Special Announcements

Susan Graber

Gathering Music and Processional

We carry in a flame, the Bible, and a prayer cloth. May we trust the Light to guide us, the Word to teach us, and prayer to knit our lives together with God as we begin our time of worship.

Call to Worship

God of the prophets, call to us today

Call us into Your ways of love, justice and righteousness.

God of the poets, remind us again how much You love us

Sing to us Your ways of love, justice and righteousness.

God of the disciples, teach us how to follow You

Teach us Your ways of love, justice and righteousness.

God of all creation, help us to know Your ways

We gather to hear Your call, to sing Your praise, to teach each other, to pray and worship as the Body of Christ.

Prayer of Invocation

Hymn HWB 19

Open now thy gates of beauty

Proclaiming the Word

Children's Time

Lisa Bartel

Hymn HWB 72

When all thy mercies, O my God

Scripture Reading

1 Samuel 3:1-10

Quiet Reflection

The periods of silence in our worship will begin and end with the ringing of a chime.

Scripture Reading

John 1:43-51

Quiet Reflection

Meditation

“the improvisational church”

Eric Massanari

Quiet Reflection

Hymn HWB 395

Here I am, Lord

Responding to the Word

Offertory & Prayer

Sharing Time & Introductions

During this time in the service we welcome visitors, invite responses to the worship service, and share prayer concerns and joys. Please sign the Welcome Pages (black books) in the pews so we can learn each others' names.

Prayers of the People

Sending

Sending Hymn HWB 434

Thuma mina

Benediction

Hearing devices are available from an usher or the sound booth.

*Where can I go from your Spirit?
Where can I flee from your presence?
If I ascend to heaven, you are there.
If I make my bed in the depths, you are there.*

- Psalm 139:7-8

I'm always happy to see a relevant ministry. It's alright to talk about "long white robes over yonder," in all of its symbolism. But ultimately people want some suits and dresses and shoes to wear down here. It's alright to talk about "streets flowing with milk and honey," but God has commanded us to be concerned about the slums down here, and his children who can't eat three square meals a day.

- Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., "I see the Promised Land," April 3, 1968

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Sunday, January 15, 2012

Greeters: Doris Weber, Anita & Stan Bohn, Tim & Lela Mae Sawatzky
Visual Arts: Beth Burns and Doris Weber
Musicians: Greta Hiebert, Nathan Snyder, Merle Schlabaugh
Sound & Closing: Brett Prothro

Pastor: Eric Massanari
Associate Pastor: Sara Dick
Administrative Assistant: Grace Wenger
Church Moderator: Matt Schmidt

Our purpose is to worship and praise God together, to pray for and encourage each other to live our covenant with God and to share Christ's good news with others. As Anabaptist Christians we will reach out to others, welcome all people, be aware of our neighbors and respond to their needs, and give ourselves to service.

9:30 a.m.- Sunday School 10:45 a.m.- Worship
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