

# Shalom Mennonite Church

January 20, 2013

## *Gifts of the Spirit*

### **Part 2: With a Discerning Spirit**

*For just as the body is one and has many members,  
and all the members of the body, though many, are one body,  
so it is with Christ.*

1 Corinthians 12:12

### Gathering in God's Presence

**Welcome and Special Announcements**

Marathana Prothro

### **Gathering Music & 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.*

### **Gathering Psalm adapted from Psalm 84**

How beautiful is the place where you dwell, O God.

**We long to be with you there,  
in the place that is our true home.**

In you even the wren and the swallow find a house.

**Guide us, O God, that we might join them  
in your dwelling place of joy.**

Grateful are the hearts of all who find strength in you.

**Lead us home through the bitter valleys  
and the arid landscapes we must travel.**

Lead us to the place where love and mercy flow free.

**Release us from all that binds us,  
that we might freely cross your threshold. Amen.**

**Gathering Hymn HWB 46**

*I sing the mighty power of God*

### Proclaiming the Word

**First Reading**

1 Corinthians 12:12-26

### **Quiet Reflection**

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

### **Children's Time**

Chuck Regier

### **Hymn HWB 304**

*There are many gifts*

### **Meditation**

Kendra Neufeld

### **Quiet Reflection**

### **Hymn HWB 580**

*My life flows on (vv.1,4)*

### **Meditation**

Gerry Epp

### **Quiet Reflection**

### **Hymn HWB 356**

*Breathe on me, breath of God (vv.1,2)*

### 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 Hymn HWB 383**

*God, whose giving*

### **Benediction**

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

## **An Angel in the Rock**

Somewhere I heard a story about Michelangelo's pushing a huge piece of rock down a street. A curious neighbor sitting lazily on the porch of his house called to him and inquired why he labored so over an old piece of stone. Michelangelo is reported to have answered, "Because there is an angel in that rock that wants to come out." Every person has the task of releasing angels by shaping and transfiguring the raw materials that lie about us...How we do this is determined by the discovery and use of our gifts.

by Elizabeth O'Connor, from *Eighth Day of Creation*

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Greeters: Anita & Stan Bohn, Brad & Sara Friesen Guhr, Doris Weber  
Musicians: Greta Hiebert, Greg Nickel  
Visual Arts: Jason Miller, Doris Weber  
Sound System Operator/Closing: Jeffrey Graber

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

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## ***The Gifts of the Spirit*** **Part 2: With a Discerning Spirit**



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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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