

# Shalom Mennonite Church

June 23, 2013

## *Born With a Heart of Flesh*

*A new heart I will give you, and a new spirit I will put within you;  
and I will remove from your body the heart of stone  
and give you a heart of flesh.*

Ezekiel 36:26

### Gathering in God's Presence

#### Welcome and Announcements

Sharon Penner

#### Gathering Music and Procession

*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

You, O God, have been our refuge  
from generation to generation.

**Before night and day, before earth and ocean,  
you were the Source of all, the Ground of Being.**

From birth to death, the years of our lives  
pass quickly, and we return to the earth.

**Teach us to count our days with wisdom;  
enliven our hearts with your compassion.**

Help us find our deepest satisfaction  
in your love that endures forever.

**To you, O God of Life,  
we give our thanks and praise!**

#### Hymn HWB 16

*God is here among us*

### Proclaiming the Word

#### Children's Time

Barb Goering

#### Hymn HWB 95

*Praise God, the Source of life*

#### Scripture Readings

Ezekiel 36:22-28  
Matthew 18:1-5

#### Quiet Reflection

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

#### Meditation

“it's just like riding a bike”

Eric Massanari

#### Quiet Reflection

#### Hymn HWB 95

*Praise God, the Source of life*

#### Blessing and Dedication of Children

Simon Replogle, son of Alison and Shawn Flory Replogle  
Nadia Montelongo, daughter of Melanie Krehbiel and Jason Miller

#### Hymn STJ 91

*Like a mother who has borne us*

### Responding to the Word

#### Offering and Prayer

#### Sharing Time and 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

#### Hymn HWB 433

*Go, my children*

#### Benediction

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

True love hurts. It always has to hurt. It must be painful to love someone, painful to leave them, you might have to die for them. When people marry they have to give up everything to love each other. The mother who gives birth to her child suffers much. It is the same for us in the religious life. To belong fully to God we have to give up everything. Only then can we truly love. The word “love” is so misunderstood and misused.

- Theresa of Calcutta

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**Sunday, June 23, 2013**

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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