

# Shalom Mennonite Church

September 1, 2013

## *A Service of Scriptures and Songs*

### Gathering in God's Presence

**Welcome & Special Announcements**

Marv Zehr

### **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.*

**Unison Prayer of Invocation HWB #745**

**HWB #8 HOLY MANNA** (*Brethren, we have met to worship*)

**Scripture Reading**

Psalms 112:1-5

**HWB #600 ST. THOMAS (WILLIAMS) SM** (*O bless the Lord, my soul*)

**Scripture Reading**

Ecclesiastes 10:12-15

**HWB #166 NASHVILLE** (*I'll praise my Maker*)

**Scripture Reading**

Ecclesiastes 10:16-19

**HWB #106 CORONATION** (*All hail the power of Jesus' name*)

**Children's Time**

Andi Schmidt Andres

**HWB #39 LENOX** (*Lord of the worlds above*)

**Scripture Reading**

Luke 14:1, 7-14

**HWB #393 BOYLSTON** (*A charge to keep I have*)

### **Quiet Reflection**

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

**HWB #536 KEDRON** (*Take up your cross*)

**Scripture Reading**

Hebrews 13:1-8

**HWB #369 BEACH SPRING** (*Lord, whose love in humble service*)

**Scripture Reading**

Hebrews 13:15-16

**HWB #417 CHARLESTOWN** (*All who love and serve your city*)

**Offering & Prayer**

**HWB #408 JERUSALEM** (*O day of peace*)

**Scripture Reading**

Psalms 112:6-10

### **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**

Sara Dick

**HWB #42 OLD HUNDREDTH** (*All people that on earth do dwell*)

**Unison Prayer of Benediction HWB #768**

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

Sacred Harp is a uniquely American tradition that brings communities together to sing four-part hymns and anthems. It is a proudly inclusive and democratic part of our shared cultural heritage. Participants are not concerned with re-creating or re-enacting historical events. Our tradition is a living, breathing, ongoing practice passed directly to us by generations of singers, many gone on before and many still living.

All events welcome beginners and newcomers, with no musical experience or religious affiliation required — in fact, the tradition was born from colonial “singing schools” whose purpose was to teach beginners to sing and our methods continue to reflect this goal. Though Sacred Harp is not affiliated with any denomination, it is a deeply spiritual experience for all involved, and functions as a religious observance for many singers.

Sacred Harp “singings” are not performances. There are no rehearsals and no separate seats for an audience. Every singing is a unique and self-sufficient event with a different group of assembled participants. The singers sit in a hollow square formation with one voice part on each side, all facing inwards so we can see and hear each other. However, visitors are always welcome to sit anywhere in the room and participate as listeners.

(from <http://fasola.org/>)

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**Sunday, September 1, 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.

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Greeters: David & Mary Duerksen, Chuck & Cindy Regier  
Musicians: Giovanna McQuillen Schnabel, Martha Unruh Szambecki  
Visual Arts: Joanna Fenton Friesen  
Sound and Closing: Phil Graber  
Bulletin Cover Art: John Stuart

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Pastor: Sara Dick  
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