

Shalom Mennonite Church

June 15, 2014

In the Image of God

God created humankind in God's image, in the image of God, male and female were created. Genesis 1:27

Gathering in God's Presence

Welcome & Special Announcements Rachel Eash-Scott

Gathering Music & Procession

Call to Worship

Prayer of Invocation: A paraphrase of Psalm 8

Men: My God, my God,
how wonderful you are!
There is nothing like you in the whole earth.
I look up to the skies, and I see you there;

**Women: Babies and infants open their mouths,
and I hear them cry your name.**

Men: Compared to you, our weapons, our bombs,
our power to destroy,
dwindle into insignificance.

**Women: On a starry night, with your glory splashed across the skies,
I gaze into your infinite universe, and I wonder:**

Men: Who am I?

Women: Why do I matter?

Men: Why do you care about mere mortals?

Women: We humans are less than specks of dust in your universe.

Men: We have existed less than a second in the great clock of creation;
Yet you choose us as your partners.

**Women: You share the secrets of the universe with us;
you give us a special place in your household;**

Men: you trust us to look after the earth, on your behalf -
not just the sheep and oxen,
but also the wolves that prey on our domestic animals;

**Women: the birds, the plants, and even creatures we have never seen in
the depths of the sea.**

*All: My God, my God!
How amazing you are!*

By Jim Taylor from *Everyday Psalms*, Wood Lake Books: 1994

Opening Song HWB 648

Morning has broken

Proclaiming the Word

Children's Time

Beth Burns

Old Testament Reading

Genesis 1:1-2:4

Hymn HWB 112

O Lord, our Lord, how majestic

Gospel Reading

Matthew 28:16-20

Quiet Reflection

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

Meditation

“Created in God's Image”

John Otto

Quiet Reflection

Responding to the Word

Hymn of Response STJ 99

You walk along our shoreline

Offertory 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

Sending Song HWB 418

Move in our midst

Benediction

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

In the Image of God

O God eternal,
in your light I have seen
how closely you have conformed your
creatures
to yourself.

I see that you have set us, as it were,
in a circle,
so that wherever we may go
we are still within this circle.

St. Catherine of Siena



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Greeters: Anita & Stan Bohn, Connie & Kevin Regier,
Gary & Gloria Rediger
Musicians: Anita Bohn, Martha Unruh Szambecki
Sound & Closing: Greg Nickel
Bulletin cover: Michelangelo, *Creation*

Pastor: Sara Dick
Transitional Pastor: Rob Burdette
Administrative Assistant: Grace Wenger
Church Moderator: Barth Hague

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 am - Sunday School 10:45 am - Worship
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