

# Shalom Mennonite Church

January 11, 2015

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

## Gathering in God's Presence

**Welcome & Special Announcements**

Debbie Schmidt

**Gathering Music & 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 (based on Psalm 29)**

L: Ascribe to the Lord, O heavenly beings, ascribe to the Lord  
glory and strength.

**P: Ascribe to the Lord the glory of his name; worship the Lord  
in holy splendor.**

L: The voice of the Lord is over the waters; the God of glory  
thunders, the Lord, over mighty waters.

**P: The voice of the Lord is powerful; the voice of the Lord is  
full of majesty.**

L: The voice of the Lord breaks the cedars. The voice of the Lord causes the  
oaks to whirl, and in his temple all say, "Glory!"

**All: The Lord sits enthroned over the flood; the Lord sits enthroned as  
king forever. May the Lord give strength to his people! May the Lord  
bless his people with peace!**

- L.G. Parkhurst, Jr.

**Prayer of Invocation**

**Opening Song HWB 46**

*I Sing the Mighty Power of God*

## Proclaiming the Word

**First Reading**

Genesis 1:1-5

**Children's Time**

Sue Graber

*Nursery care for young children is available after Children's Time  
till the end of the service.*

**Hymn STJ 79**

*As I went down to the river*

**Second Reading**

Mark 1:4-11

**Quiet Reflection**

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

**Sermon**

*A Wild Ride*

Rob Burdette

**Quiet Reflection**

**Hymn of Response HWB 446**

*Wade in the water*

## Responding to the Word

**The Lord's Supper**

**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 423**

*May the grace of Christ our Saviour*

**Benediction**

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Greeters: Bob & Yvonne Bontrager, Lola Schmidt, Marlene & Stan Smucker

Musicians: Mark Schmidt Andres, Martha Unruh Szambecki

Visual Arts: Joanna Fenton Friesen

Sound & Closing: David Kaufman

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Pastor: Sara Dick

Transitional Pastor: Rob Burdette

Administrative Assistant: Grace Wenger

Church Moderator: Barth Hague

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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 am - Sunday School    10:45 am – Worship  
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I've known rivers:  
I've known rivers ancient as the  
world and older than the flow  
of human blood in human veins.

My soul has grown deep like the rivers.

I bathed in the Euphrates when  
dawns were young.  
I built my hut near the Congo and  
it lulled me to sleep.  
I looked upon the Nile and raised  
the pyramids above it.  
I heard the singing of the Mississippi  
when Abe Lincoln went down  
to New Orleans, and I've seen  
it's muddy bosom turn all golden  
in the sunset.

I've known rivers:  
Ancient, dusky rivers.

My soul has grown deep like the rivers.

- Langston Hughes

## *The baptism of Jesus Christ*



*The moment he came out of the water,  
he saw the sky split open and God's Spirit, looking like a dove,  
come down on him. Along with the Spirit, a voice:  
"You are my Son, chosen and marked by my love, pride of my life."*

Mark 1:9-11, The Message

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