

Shalom Mennonite Church

May 1, 2016

Following Jesus, Saying Goodbye

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

Gathering in God's Presence

Welcome Melanie Zuercher

Gathering Music and 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.

Call to Worship Based on Psalm 30

O Lord my God, I cried to you –

You have healed me.

O Lord my God, I cried to you –

You restored me to life.

Sing praises to the Lord, you his faithful ones.

Give thanks to God's holy name.

God's anger lasts only a moment;

God's favor is for a lifetime.

Weeping may linger for the night,

but joy comes with the morning.

O Lord my God, I cried to you –

You have turned my mourning into dancing.

O Lord my God, I cried to you –

You have taken away my sackcloth and clothed me with joy.

My soul will praise you and not be silent.

O Lord my God, I will give thanks to you forever.

Prayer

Hymn HWB 500 *As the hart with eager yearning*

Proclaiming the Word

Children's Time Hope Graber

Nursery care for young children is available through the end of the service.

Hymn HWB 559

O thou, in whose presence

Scripture Reading

John 21:15-17

Scripture passages are read in English and Spanish to reflect the community in and around Shalom.

Quiet Reflection

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

Dance

“Elephant Tears”

Emily Blaine, Randi Reinert, Kate Sebes, Kate Szambecki

5 Stages of Grief as described by Elisabeth Kübler-Ross:

1. Denial
2. Anger
3. Bargaining
4. Depression
5. Acceptance

Sermon

“A Good Bye”

Sara Dick

Quiet Reflection

Responding to the Word

Hymn HWB 288

Rejoice the Lord is King

Gathering our Gifts

Sharing Time and Introductions

During this time in the service we welcome visitors, invite responses to the worship service, hear about the work of our Ministry Teams, and share prayer concerns and joys. Please sign the Welcome Pages (black books) in the pews so we can learn each other's names.

Prayers of the People

Going Forth to Serve

Sharing Our Joyful Work

Hymn HWB 421

Bless'd be the tie that binds

Benediction

Our Welcoming Statement

We embrace all people in the name of Christ. Everyone is a unique creation in the image of God. We are an open and affirming congregation that seeks to follow Jesus. We welcome into full participation in the life and ministry of the church, people of every race, immigration status, culture, age, gender identity, sexual orientation, ability, education, economic status, and life situation. We welcome diverse perspectives as we gather around God's table together.

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9:30 am – Sunday School

10:45 am – Worship

Upcoming Services

May 8 – Rachel Ringenberg Miller will preach on 1 Corinthians 15:1-16, 51-57.

May 15 – Pentecost & Membership Sunday; we will hear from and receive new members and listen again to the story of Pentecost from Acts 2:1-21.

May 22 – Work in Progress, a group from Mennonite Mission Network, will lead us in worship through both song and spoken word.

Greeters: David & Mary Duerksen, Chuck & Cindy Regier
Nursery Workers: Yvonne Bontrager, Claire Preheim
Musicians: Greg Nickel, Greta Hiebert, Josué Coy Dick, Diego Coy Dick
Spanish Scripture Reader: Emily Kerbs
Dance Choreographer: Haylie Heatwole
Music for Dance: *To build a home* by the Cinematic Orchestra
Cover Art: *Seven Stages of a Fight # 6: Apology* by Hanna Eastin
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