

Shalom Mennonite Church

May 29, 2016

Following Jesus, we risk love

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 (see insert)

Prayer

Hymn HWB 556 *Lord, thou has searched me*

Proclaiming the Word

Children's Time Kathy Snyder
Nursery care for young children is available through the end of the service.

Hymn HWB 537 *You are the God within life*

Scripture Reading Colossians 3:12-17

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

Sermon Rachel Ringenberg Miller

Quiet Reflection

Responding in the Gathered Community

Remembering & Thanksgiving for Pastor Sara Dick's Ministry
Gregg Friesen
Phil & Zandra Sawatzky
Laurie Hesed

Litany of Blessing & Release (see insert)

Letter from Heidi Regier Kreider, Western District Conference Minister

Comments from Pastor Sara

Gathering our Gifts
Prayer of Saint Gregory – Alan Hovaness
Evan Koch, trumpet

Hymn HWB 545 *Be thou my vision*
We bring our expressions of thanks, of memories, of blessing for Sara.

Sharing Time & 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 *Shalom Song* (see insert in hymnal pocket)

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

June 5 – We will begin our summer sermon series looking at The Lord's Prayer. **Rachel Ringenberg Miller** will preach on the phrase "Our Father," using the texts of Matthew 6:9-15, & Genesis 1:26-27.

June 12 – The Senior High Youth will lead us in worship and share stories from their service weekend.

June 19 – **Rachel Ringenberg Miller** will continue our series on the Lord's Prayer focusing on "Your kingdom come."

Greeters: Mentor Pairs & Chuck Regier

Nursery Workers: Andi Schmidt Andres, Abby Schmidt

Musicians: Merle Schlabaugh, Karen Schlabaugh, Evan Koch

Sara's Farewell Planning Team: Debbie Schmidt, Abby Schmidt, Melanie Zuercher, Kathy Snyder

Spanish Scripture Reader: Spanish-language Small Group

Bulletin Cover Art: Jen Andres

Visual Arts: Joanna Fenton Friesen

Sound & Closing: David Kaufman

Church Board Chair: Debbie Schmidt

Church Staff

Rachel Ringenberg Miller,
Pastor

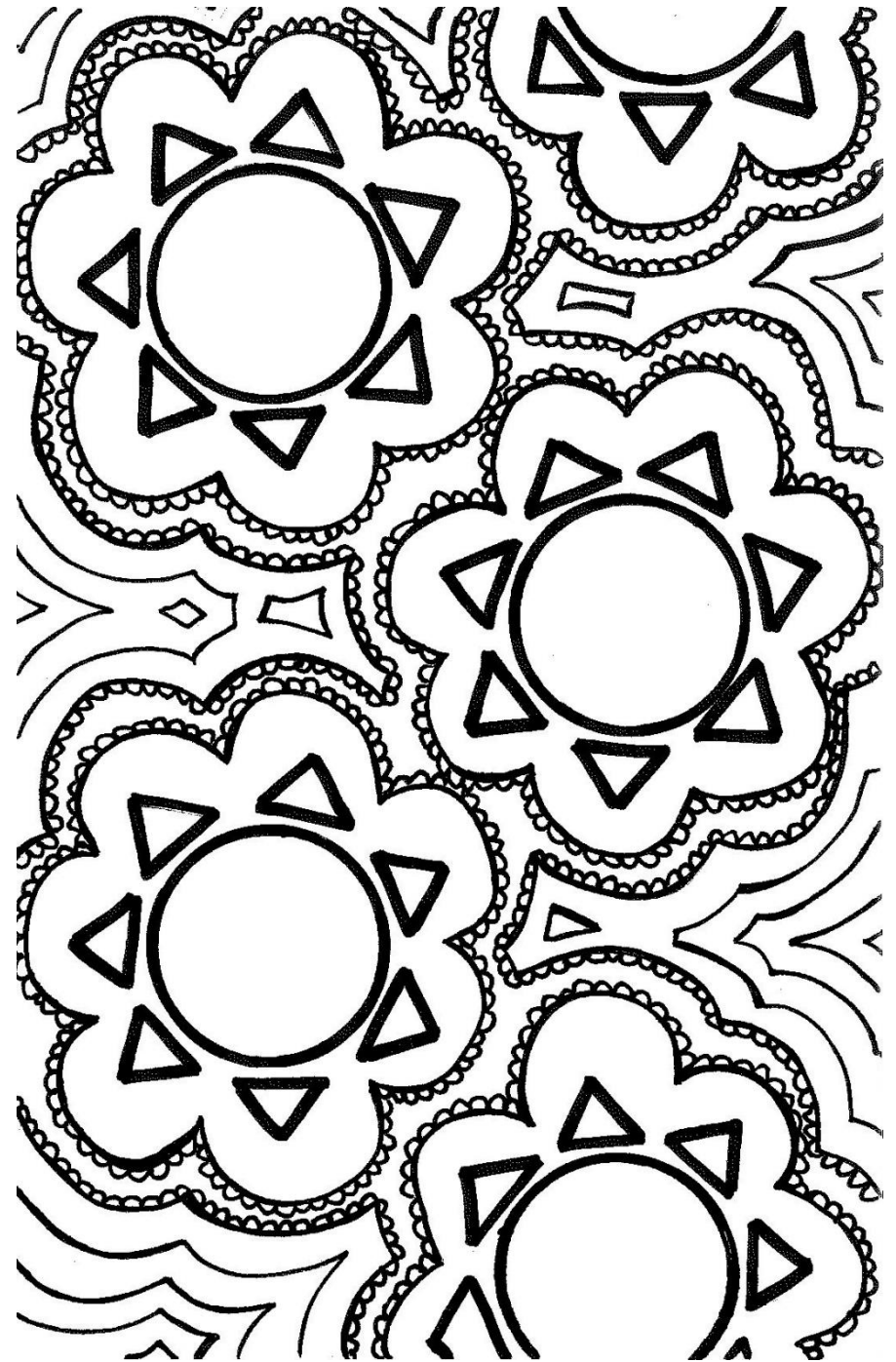
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