

Shalom Mennonite Church

November 18, 2012

“Rejoice in the Lord Always”

*Rejoice in the Lord always;
again, I will say, Rejoice.
Let your gentleness be known to everyone.
The Lord is near.
Philippians 4:4-5*

Gathering in God’s Presence

Welcome and Special Announcements

Stan Smucker

Gathering Music & 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 (adapted from Psalm 19)

The heavens declare God's glory,
and each dawn sings of God's beauty.

**Their voice speaks to the whole world,
and reaches to the ends of the earth.**

God's universe is perfect,
awing the mind.

**God's truth is subtle,
baffling the intellect.**

God's compassion is fathomless,
refreshing the soul.

**God's love is radiant,
rejoicing the heart.**

All these things are more precious than gold,
and more valuable than any treasure.

*We come to worship and give thanks
to the giver of life, and the source of love!*

Gathering Hymn HWB 288

Rejoice, the Lord is King!

Proclaiming the Word

Children's Time

Andrea Yoder Graber

Hymn HWB 510

O Christ, in thee my soul

First Reading

Philippians 4:4-9

Quiet Reflection

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

Second Reading

Luke 12:13-21

Quiet Reflection

Meditation

“giving thanks for all that is”

Eric Massanari

Quiet Reflection

Hymn HWB 90

For the fruit of all creation

Responding to the Word

Offertory & Prayer

Sharing Time & 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

Hymn HWB 422

May God grant you a blessing

Benediction

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

“Rejoice in the Lord Always”

Just to be is a blessing.
Just to live is holy.

Rabbi Abraham Heschel



Sunday, November 18, 2012

Greeters: Anita & Stan Bohn, Brad & Sara Friesen Guhr, Doris Weber
Musicians: Henry Friesen Guhr, Mark Schmidt Andres, Karen Schlabaugh,
Martha Unruh Szambecki, Chloe Woodward
Visual Arts: Joanna Fenton Friesen
Sound System Operator/Closing: Jeffrey Graber
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Pastor: Eric Massanari
Associate Pastor: Sara Dick
Administrative Assistant: Grace Wenger
Church Moderator: Matt Schmidt

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 a.m.- Sunday School 10:45 a.m.- Worship
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