

Shalom Mennonite Church

May 4, 2014

Easter 3

Gathering in God's Presence

Welcome & Special Announcements

Patty Burdette

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 116)

Leader: Lord, because you bent down to hear us,

People: we will call on your name as long as we live.

Leader: In our distress we call on your name,

People: and you save our lives from the grave.

Leader: We lift up the cup of salvation

All: and drink deeply of new life.

Invocation

Opening Hymn HWB 644

When morning gilds the skies

Proclaiming the Word

Scripture reading

Acts 2:14a, 36-41, 1 Peter 1:17-23

Confessing our Sin, Claiming our Assurance (see bulletin insert)

Hymn HWB 264

Come, ye faithful, raise the strain

Children's Time

Sara Dick

Gospel reading

Luke 24:13-35

Quiet Reflection

Message

“Where did you see Christ?”

Rob Burdette

Quiet reflection

Responding to the Word

Hymn of response STJ 95

I want to walk as a child of the light

Offertory and Prayer

Blessings and Dedication of:

Astrid Beatrix Huber,

daughter of Heidi and Tim Huber

Johann Felix Crouse-Dick,

son of Christine Crouse-Dick and Chris Dick

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 640

This is a day of new beginnings

Benediction

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

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"Our actual theology is best expressed in our actual hospitality. And I don't mean that hospitality is one quaint ministry for those good in the kitchen and keeping their house picked up. Hospitality isn't for the good housekeepers--it's the grid of life for anyone keeping company with Christ. Hospitality is meant to shape our churches and politics, our work and our schools, our homes and our faith and our schedules and our meals and our lives.

Hospitality is Life with no Gates. Hospitality means if there is room in the heart--there is always room in the house. And if we've really welcomed Christ into our lives--it means our lives are evidence that we've welcomed the strangers and the neglected and the outcasts."

- Ann Voskamp



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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.

Greeters: David & Mary Duerksen, Dick & Mary Rempel
Musicians: Anita Bohn, Martha Unruh Szambecki
Sound & Closing: Phil Graber

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

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