



**14th Annual
Holy Humor
Sunday 2016**

Lorraine Avenue Mennonite Church
Wichita, Kansas

Holy Humor Sunday

April 3, 2016

9:30 a.m.
10:30 a.m.
10:45 a.m.

Worship
Fellowship
Sunday School

Then Abraham fell on his face and laughed.
Gen. 17:17

Prelude Jesus Christ Is Risen Today arr. Powell
Galen Shriner, keyboards

Opening Music Somebody Touched Me Foust
Doug Everingham

*Call to Worship (based on Psalm 126) Lois Harder

*Leader: When the LORD restored the fortunes of Zion,
we were like those who dream.*

**People: Then our mouths were filled with laughter,
and our tongues with shouts of joy.**

*Leader: Since the Lord raised Jesus from the dead,
we are like those who dream.*

**People: Now our mouths are filled with laughter,
and our tongues with shouts of joy!**

Leader: The Lord has done great things for us, and we rejoice.

**All: May all those who have sowed in tears
reap with shouts of happy hilarity.
Hip hip hooray!**

*Introduction Lois Harder

“Sunday Morning Alive”
Host: Miles Thompson

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Skit The Coneheads Visit LAMC Karl & Myra

Children's choirs	Teaching Peace <i>Combined Children's Choirs, Cindy Thompson</i>	Grammer
*Hymn	Christ who left his home in glory	HWB 283
Skit	The First Baseball Game	Roger & Joel
Bringing our First Fruits Offerings	Offertory Let It Go <i>Anna Harder, Soprano</i>	Anderson/Lopez
Skit	Water to Wine	Mike Poage
Song	The Mennonite Game <i>Reid Kaufmann, Vern Zielke, Joel Tieszen, Nathan Ebersole</i>	Andrew Shelly
Sunday Morning News Update	<i>Anchors Judy Ebersole and Ann Fetters</i>	R. Kaufman
*Hymn	Sing with all the saints in glory	SS 92
Work of the Church	Welcome and Introductions Announcements and Activities Joys and Concerns Prayer	Lois Harder
*Hymn	Praise God from Whom ("606")	HWB 118
Benediction		Lois Harder
Postlude	Alleluia! Jesus is risen	arr. Osterland
*Congregation stands		

We light the peace lamp as a reminder that peace is God's will for all of creation, that Christ is the Prince of Peace, and that the Holy Spirit empowers us to proclaim boldly the gospel of peace.

We welcome you to this service of worship! Please write your name on the welcome pad at the end of your pew, and then return it to learn who is sitting near you. Please include your address if you are a visitor or new attender. A nursery for children up to 5 years of age is available in Room 204.

For those with hearing difficulties, assistive listening equipment (which includes headphones and a small, pocket-sized receiver) is available. Please ask one of the ushers for assistance.

Greeters this morning are Betty and Bryce Balton. **Nursery workers during worship** are Jill Robinson and Erica Schmidt; **during Sunday school**, Rachel Pankratz. **Fellowship workers** are Bob and Sylvia Schmidt.

Following the worship service, you are all invited downstairs to the Fellowship Hall for coffee and casual conversation until the bell rings for Sunday school to begin.

Among our friends:

Madeline Harder will play her Junior Recital (cello) on Wednesday, April 13 at 7:30 p.m. in Wiedemann Hall on the WSU campus. All are invited!

Beth and Allan Tanner are proud to announce the birth of Malachi Emil Smith, born in Tacoma, WA on Tuesday, March 29. Parents: Naomi Beth Tanner Smith and Bradley Smith. Siblings: Elliot and Alice Smith.

Many thanks to Roger Kaufman for his work again this year on putting together the Holy Humor service. Also, **thanks to Carrie Dicke** for purchasing and bringing the Easter lilies **and to Jane Tanner** for creating the beautiful display windows for our Lent and Easter seasons.

This is your LAST Sunday to make sure Darrel Doerksen has your contribution for the *Run for Relief* next Saturday. No amount is too small or too large. You may put your check (made out to Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale) in Darrel's church mailbox. *Run, Darrel – run like the wind!*

Remember the **Kids' Clothing Sale**, Saturday, April 16, 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. All clothing items are 50 cents each, with assorted prices on miscellaneous books, toys, etc. (cash only). This is a fund raising event for Lorraine Avenue Mission Board.

Oh, to be in the church building this Thursday – 8 a.m.- 3 p.m. – **pie baking for the MCC relief sale** will be happening! It takes a whole cast of characters and you're invited: pie bakers and helpers to make fruit pies. Pie tins are furnished. You may bake at home and bring the

pies to church on Thursday (April 7). OR *bake with us!* Donations of fruit fillings will be cheerfully received. Contact Catherine Everingham for more information.

Prayer Request from Mennonite Mission Network:

Thank God for Gary Wittig's new job, a one-year contract teaching fourth grade at the American International School of Monrovia, in Liberia. Pray for strong family ties and grace as his wife, Martine Audeoud, and son, Samuel, continue to serve and study in neighboring Ivory Coast.

Prayer Request from Aposento Alto: Pray for discerning God's missional direction for Aposento Alto and for its pastoral transition and its various ministries. Also, pray for the newly formed/forming pastoral search committee. Amber Schroeder is LAMC's rep.

Prayer Request from Sabeel:

Thursday, March 30th, marks Land Day – a day commemorated by Palestinians for the expropriation of their land inside Israel in 1976. Palestinian citizens of Israel demonstrated against this confiscation of thousands of acres of their land. Six Palestinians were killed and hundreds were wounded in these confrontations. This day is still remembered, inside Israel and on the West Bank, 40 years later, as land grabbing and illegal settlement building continues to erode the borders of a future Palestinian state.

God of all, wrongs done in the past continue to be done in the present, and it becomes hard to believe that things will somehow change in the near future. As we remember Land Day and the events that occurred on it, help us to believe that there is a way forward through this. Give those in power the courage to speak out against these injustices, and work towards peace.

Visitors from last Sunday:

Bryan, Natalie, Claire, Jacob, Hannah and Camille Sheldon, Tulsa OK; Bob, Malaura, Nick and Paige Epperson, Wichita; Melissa, Matt, Tatum and Miles Johnston, Stillwater OK; Ione Frank, Wichita; Linda Hill, Wichita; Vicki Littell, Wichita; Lowell and Twila (Frazier), Minneola KS; Dorothy Balton, Shana Balton, Rayna Berry, Wichita; Mike and Debbie Goossen, Beatrice, NE; Steve Seibel, Corvallis, OR; Sheila Beck Regan, Wichita; Randy and Barb Clinkscales, Hays, KS; Anika Stucky, OK City, OK; Verna Lee Penner, Inman, KS; Adella Wenzel, Wichita; Mike, Kellie, Dora and Ana Thiessen, Winnipeg, MB, Canada; Stephanie Lamone, Wichita; Tia Morrison, Wichita; Galen and Ruby Buller, Halstead, KS; Steph Clasen, Wichita

This Week at Church

Monday	Yoga	5:30 p.m.
	OZ Bike Group	6:30 p.m.
	Sunnyside Neigh. Assn.	6:30 p.m.
	Wellness Group	6:45 p.m.
Tuesday	Lifestyle Strategies – Fellowship Hall	11:30 a.m.
	Wellness Committee	7:00 p.m.
Wednesday	Yoga	4:45 p.m.
	Wednesday Night Activities (see below)	
Thursday	Pie Baking – Kitchen	8:00-3:00
	Serendipity	1:00 p.m.
	Lifestyle Strategies – Fellowship Hall	5:00 p.m.
Friday	Yoga	12:00 p.m.
Saturday	MCC Relief Sale - Hutchinson	

Wednesday Evening Activity Schedule

(Supper is \$4.00 per person or \$15 per family)

5:45 – 6:30	Supper	Fellowship Hall
6:30 – 7:30	Children’s Activities	Classrooms/Playground
6:30 – 7:15	Bible Study	Gathering Room
7:15	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary

Nursery care for preschool children is provided

Elementary and Youth Sunday School Classes

- Early Childhood (3- 4 year olds) Shine! Curriculum** **Room 206**
Teachers: Linda Doll, Ellen Ebersole
- Kindergarten - First Grade Shine!** **Room 201**
Teachers: Kelly Cleary, Jill Robinson, and Alison Wenzel
- Second - Fourth Grades Shine!** **Room 202**
Teachers: Julie Dunkelberger and Beth Lichty
- Fifth - Tenth Grades Shine! – L.E.D.** **B4**
Teacher: Catherine Everingham and Ann Fetters
- Fifth - Tenth Grades** **B5**
Faith Formation through Games
Teachers: Beverly Baumgartner, Joel Ewy, Kristina Everingham

Adult Sunday School Classes

- Empowerers** **Book Study** **Lois' Office (Basement)**
Between the World and Me
Ta-Nehisi Coates
- The Seekers** **Book Study** **Room 208**
Living More with Less
Doris Janzen Longacre
- Uniform Bible Study Series** **Gathering Room**
Led by Rose Moyer
- Faith & Issues** **Trouble I've Seen** **Fellowship Hall**
Led by Katie Mitchell-Koch
- Men's Group** **Book Study** **Library**
Better Dads, Stronger Sons
Led by Doug Everingham

Mission Statement*

We are called to be followers of Christ
seeking God's will through the Holy Spirit
sharing the good news of love, peace,
healing, and hope
through worship, fellowship, and service
in our community, our city, and beyond.



**Foundational Scripture passages: Micah 6:8; Matthew 5-7; Mark 12:29-31; John 3:16; John 13:34-35; John 20:31; Romans 12:1-2; 1 Corinthians 3:11; 1 Peter 4:7-11; 1 John 4:16.*

We welcome all persons without regard to their race, ethnicity, gender, age, sexual orientation, social status, education, ability, or any other factor subject to discrimination and exclusion in our world. *"There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus" (Galatians 3:28)*

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