

**Lorraine Avenue Mennonite Church**  
Wichita, Kansas

Third Sunday of Easter

April 10, 2016

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

Worship  
Fellowship  
Sunday School

*“Very truly, I tell you, when you were younger, you used to fasten your own belt and to go wherever you wished. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten a belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go.”*  
*John 21:18*

Prelude                      Worthy is the Lamb                      arr. Purifoy  
*DeAnn Diller, piano*

Introit                      Sweet hour of Prayer                      Bradbury  
*Chancel Choir*

\*Call to Worship                      SS 179                      Myra Swartz

\*Prayer

\*Hymn                      I want to walk as a child of the light                      SJ 95

Psalm 30

*Leader: I will extol you, O Lord, for you have drawn me up, and did not let my foes rejoice over me.*

**People: O Lord my God, I cried to you for help, and you have healed me.**

Men: O Lord, you brought up my soul from Sheol, restored me to life from among those gone down to the Pit.

**People: Sing praises to the Lord, O you his faithful ones, and give thanks to her holy name.**

Women: *For God’s anger is but for a moment; God’s favor is for a lifetime.*

**People: Weeping may linger for the night, but joy comes with the morning.**

*Leader: As for me, I said in my prosperity, “I shall never be moved.” By your favor, O Lord, you had established me as a strong mountain; you hid your face; I was dismayed.*

**People: To you, O Lord, I cried, and to the Lord I made supplication.**

Men: What profit is there in my death, if I go down to the Pit? Will the dust praise you? Will it tell of your faithfulness?

**People: Hear, O Lord, and be gracious to me! O Lord, be my helper!**

Women: *You have turned my mourning into dancing; you have taken off my sackcloth and clothed me with joy, so that my soul may praise you and not be silent.*

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

Hymn                                      Keep me safe, O God                                      SJ 50

Bringing Our First Fruits Offerings

Offertory                                      On Eagle's Wings                                      arr. Carter  
Prayer of Dedication                                      SJ 29

Time for Children

Anthem                                      Here's One                                      Spiritual/arr. Fettke

The Lesson                                      John 21:1-19 PB 883

Sermon                                      The (broken) primacy of Peter                                      Lois Harder

Confessing and Reconciling

*Leader: God, we confess that we are broken and stubborn and willful and full of hubris.*

*All: **Forgive us, God. Like Peter, we want your blessing, to be able to give and receive your grace and mercy.***

*(pause for silent reflection and prayer)*

*Leader: God, we confess that we are your children, made in your image – gifted and capable.*

*All: **Bless us, O Creator! Like Peter, we want to kneel before you and be sent into the world!***

\*Hymn                                      Take, O take me as I am                                      SJ 81

Work of the Church

Welcome and Introductions

Announcements and Activities

Joys and Concerns

Prayer

\*Hymn

In Christ Alone

pew insert

\*Benediction

Postlude

Thine is the Glory

arr. Larkin

**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 Beverly Baumgartner and Joel Ewy. **Nursery workers during worship** are Grayce and Reid Kaufmann and Anna Harder; **during Sunday school**, Earl Schlabach. **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:**

**Carolyn Beck** continues as a patient at Reed's Cove, receiving occupational and physical therapy. If you'd like to send her a card, address to her at Reed's Cove, 2114 N. 127th St. E, Wichita, KS 67206

At the Botanica volunteer dinner on March 31, 2016, **Sara Penner** was surprised and honored to receive the prestigious Garden Star award for her many years of devoted volunteer service to Botanica. This is the highest award Botanica bestows to only one or two worthy individuals each year. Sara is also only one of four people who, over the years, have given more than 10,000 hours of volunteer service to Botanica. She also had one of her photos selected for the January 2016 page in the Botanica calendar. Yea Sara!!!!

Welcome to the world, **Hannah Joy**, born March 30, in St. Louis! Her parents are Samuel and Rachel Voth Schrag; her big brother is Jonah; her uncle is Andrew Voth; **and**, her grandma is Donna Froese.

I would like to thank all of you at LAMC for meals, cards, pastoral visits, good thoughts and prayers during my recovery from recent back surgery – **Mike Poage**

**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!

**When you're scheduling the COMING week's activities, don't forget:**

Wednesday, April 13 – *Shining Lights Children's Choir WILL meet at 5:30 and there WILL be supper here, served from 5:45-6:16. There WILL NOT be children's activities, Bible study or Chancel Choir that evening.* **AND** Sunday, April 17 – joint worship service at Hope Mennonite with Mennonite Church of the Servant, Lorraine Avenue and Aposento Alto. Service beginning at 10:30, potluck lunch at 11:30. Celebration and farewell for Byron and Hilda Pellecer as they move to Dallas, TX and he begins his new job as the Associate Conference Minister for the Western District Conference. NO services here at LAMC that day!

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.

**The Kansas Mennonite Men's Chorus will present two Concerts this April.** The first one will be on *April 17, 7:00 PM*, at Presser Hall, Bethany College Campus in Lindsborg, KS. The second one will be on *April 24, 7:00 PM*, at Central Community Church, 6100 West Maple, in Wichita, KS. Both Concerts are free, however, free will offerings will be collected at both locations. All money collected will be sent to Mennonite Central Committee.

**The Western District Conference Reference Council** will be on April 23 from 9 am-3 pm at the First Mennonite Church in Beatrice, NE. Panel discussion, storytelling, table conversations and more - how can rural and urban congregations learn from one another as partners in God's mission? Refreshments and lunch provided. Please **RSVP by April 14** to: 316-283-6300 or [wdc@mennowdc.org](mailto:wdc@mennowdc.org). Let us know if you want to carpool. *Everyone is invited!*

For a rollicking good-time, plan to attend the **Retirees Relaxation Retreat at Camp Mennoscah**, April 25-27. The theme is the Mennonites in Early Kansas. There will be times for Bible Study, music, presentations, and most definitely coffee breaks throughout the day. It's a chance to join with others and to relax and revel in creation. Invite a friend to share in the fun! Call 620-297-3290 for a brochure or register online at [www.campmennoscah.org](http://www.campmennoscah.org).

**Life Enrichment program at Bethel College in North Newton** will cover a wide range of topics on Wednesday, April 13, from *John McCabe-Juhnke's Ukraine Sabbatical 2014-2015* to *Thresher* fashion to the *C Henry Smith peace orations*. The sessions begin at 9:30 and run until 12:00. This is the 41<sup>st</sup> year of the program which is especially for adults, 60 years and older. These programs are informative and entertaining – and all for \$2/Wednesday. Brochure is on the bulletin board in the south lobby.

**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 Western District Conference:** Pray for members of the WDC Ministerial Leadership Commission as they meet this week to continue their work of sustaining transformation pastors in WDC.

**Prayer Request from Mennonite Mission Network:** Praise God for JCS International, a consortium of 12 Christian agencies ministering in Mongolia. Pray for a longtime worker who facilitates the translation and publishing of Christian literature that strengthens faith and promotes strong relationships within families.

**Prayer Request from Mennonite Education Agency:** Pray for students of Mennonite high schools participating in the MSC Choir Festivals at Iowa Mennonite School.

**Prayer Request from Sabeel:**  
Despite the complaints and reservations expressed by the international community, such as France, the US, the UK, and the United Nations, Israel continues to expand illegal settlements. House demolitions also continue, unabated, and land for a future Palestinian state becomes smaller and smaller each day.

**God of justice, we are at a loss when we see countries who are in power ultimately have no power to stop the land-grabbing**

**and illegal settlement building Israel engages in. Strengthen the voices of the international community, God, and do not let them give up. Open Israel’s ears to hear and its eyes to see, so that peace can one day come to this land. Lord, in your mercy...**

**Visitors from last Sunday:**

From Wichita: Debbie McCurdy, Miles Crawford, Joe and Debbie Schlabach, Judy Mitzner, Earl “Blue” Wallace, Jr., Matt, Abby, Brody, Mya and Payton Hoffman, David Nance, Paige Minor and Riley May, Ted and Rhonda Branson. Judy Reimer, Hesston, KS; Jim Fetters, Manhattan, KS; Bernice Smith, Hutchinson KS; Sharon Nance, Dallas, TX; Pat Aubley, Sawyer, KS; Sandy Haplett, Pratt, KS

**This Week at Church**

Monday	Yoga	5:30 p.m.
	Wellness Group	6:45 p.m.
Tuesday	Lifestyle Strategies – Fellowship Hall	11:30 a.m.
	Deacons Meeting	7:00 p.m.
Wednesday	Yoga	4:45 p.m.
	<i>Wednesday Night Activities (see below)</i>	
Thursday	Lifestyle Strategies – Fellowship Hall	5:00 p.m.
Friday	Yoga	12:00 p.m.
	LAMB Kids’ Clothes Sale set up – FH – all day	
Saturday	Clothes Sale	9:00-3:00 p.m.

**Wednesday Evening Activity Schedule**

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

5:30-6:00	Shining Lights Children’s Choir	Sanctuary
5:45 – 6:30	Supper	Fellowship Hall
	<i>Children’s Activities (after supper), Bible Study, and Chancel Choir rehearsal are cancelled this Wednesday</i>	

## 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*

## 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)

## Lorraine Avenue Mennonite Church

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### Office Hours

Mon. to Fri. 9:30-5:00  
Mon. to Fri. noon-5:00  
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Tues. 9:30-1:30, Fri. 11:00-1:00  
Weds. 1:30-5:30, Thurs. 1:30-3:30

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