

Lorraine Avenue Mennonite Church
Wichita, Kansas

Stewardship Sunday

October 29, 2017

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

Worship
Fellowship
Sunday School

*O sing to the Lord a new song.
(Psalm 96:1)*

Prelude

Simple Gifts
Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee
Erica Schmidt, organ

arr. Harris
arr. Broughton

Introit

When the morning stars together
Chancel Choir

Bayly

*Call to Worship

Rachel Reimer Kouame

Leader: Sing to the Lord a new song.

People: Sing to the Lord, all the earth.

*Leader: We come with songs in our hearts and on our lips.
Songs of joy, songs of sorrow.
Songs of celebration, songs of lament.*

**All: God delights in our music,
And rejoices over us with singing.**

*Hymn

Let us build a house

Song sheet p. 2

Psalm 96:1-6

*O sing to the LORD a new song;
sing to the LORD, all the earth.*

**Sing to the LORD, bless his name;
tell of his salvation from day to day.**

*Declare his glory among the nations,
his marvelous works among all the peoples.*

**For great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised;
he is to be revered above all gods.**

*For all the gods of the peoples are idols,
but the LORD made the heavens.*

tremble before him, all the earth.

Say among the nations, “The LORD is king!

The world is firmly established; it shall never be moved.

He will judge the peoples with equity.”

Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice;

let the sea roar, and all that fills it;

let the field exult, and everything in it.

Then shall all the trees of the forest sing for joy

before the LORD; for he is coming,

for he is coming to judge the earth.

**He will judge the world with righteousness,
and the peoples with his truth.**

Sermon Stewardship of Our Song Tom Harder

*Hymn *Sing a new world into being* Song sheet p. 4

Work of the Church Lois Harder

Welcome and Introductions
Announcements and Activities
Joys and Concerns
Prayer

*Hymn *As you go out from here* Song sheet p. 4

Sending

*Leader: Have you heard the voice of God?
(Silence)*

Leader: We never sing alone

People: God rejoices over us with singing

*Leader: Go, with a melody in your hearts and on your lips,
with rhythm and harmony in your very bones.*

Postlude Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken arr. Smith

*Congregation Stands

This morning’s worship service is based on a worship resource created by Menno Media to promote their new hymnal project. Referred to as the “Great Day of Singing,” many churches in Mennonite Church USA and Mennonite Church Canada observed this worship service last Sunday.

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 Mel and Sylvia Epp. **Nursery workers during worship** are Beth Lichty and Jill Robinson; **during Sunday School**, Melanie Mitchell. **Fellowship workers** are Joel and Ruth Tieszen.

Please join the "Festival of the Talents" during the Sunday School hour in Fellowship Hall. Enjoy coffee, treats, and visiting with the LAMC boards and committees to see how you can be involved!

Following the worship service, you all are invited to the Fellowship Hall for coffee and casual conversation, until the bell rings for Sunday School. (Please see the list of classes below.) You may have your **blood pressure checked** in Room B-3 in the basement, during the fellowship time.

Among Our Friends:

We extend our love and sympathy to Pastor Tom's brother, John Harder, whose fiancée, Rosanne Siemens, of Topeka, KS, died very suddenly and unexpectedly last Saturday night. Her service will be this afternoon at the Southern Hills Mennonite Church in Topeka.

We just want to say thanks so much for the cards, phone calls and expressions of sympathy after our nephew died. They were so appreciated. - **Marie and Roy Krehbiel**

in our community, our city, and beyond...

Please join us for the **fall congregational meeting on November 5th following Sunday School and a potluck lunch.** We invite you to bring a dish to share! Childcare will be provided. The agenda

includes an update from the youth pastor ad hoc committee and a summary of the 2018 stewardship campaign. Please contact Ruth Tieszen with questions.

Beginning Sunday, November 5, **the Faith and Issues Sunday School class will spend six weeks discussing the book Holy Currencies: 6 Blessings for Sustainable Missional Ministries (by Eric H. F. Law)**. This book study fits very well with our annual “Stewardship Season.” If you would like Tom to order a copy for you, send or leave him a note.

GFCC and LAMC Cookbook Project – Where are your recipes? We’ve received 8 wonderful recipes so far, but we’re only going to **collect them through Tuesday! The first “Tasting Meal” is coming up on Wednesday, November 15.** Recipes (and their accompanying stories) from both congregations will be chosen and prepared to share with one another that evening (**sign-up is in the south lobby, on the sofa table**). An electronic version of the recipe form was sent in the e-news and there are hard copies of the form on the office table. Let’s roll these recipes in!

Marie Krehbiel is collecting calendars for the Lords Diner this year. There will be a container in the north lobby for them. Dec. 3rd will be the last collection date for them. We need all sizes of calendars.

Mark your calendar for the **23rd Annual Alternative Gift Market, November 11**, 10 AM-4 PM, at University Congregational Church, 9209 E. 29th St. North. LAMC is a founding member of this in Wichita. It’s a GREAT place to find the perfect gift for the person who has everything – because you end up helping the person who has little. Check with Jane Tanner if you’d like to “staff” the LAMC table. Look forward to seeing you on the 11th!

Many families face the *high cost of long-term care* at some point, and most of the costs are not covered by Medicare or private health insurance. **Everence® is presenting a seminar, *Current strategies for long-term care***, at 6:30 p.m. Nov. 16 at Meridian Center, 1420 E. Broadway Court, Newton. Information will focus on handling costs of long-term care without wiping out your life savings. Coffee and desserts will be served. Please RSVP by Nov. 9 to Sandy Popp at (620) 662-7900 or sandy.popp@everence.com. From Allan Tanner, LAMC Everence.

Ten Thousand Villages/Fair Trade International Gift Festival is coming to Newton, KS at the Mezzanine above Prairie Harvest, 601 N Main. It will be open on November 24-25, December 1-3, 8-10, 15-17. Hours on Fridays and Saturdays: 10 am-5 pm. Hours on Sundays: 1-4 pm.

Prayer Request from Western District Conference:

Pray for WDC congregations supporting immigrants in their communities and families, and for those who offer immigration-related training and resources.

Prayer Request from Mennonite Education Agency:

Pray for Goshen College students as they engage with questions about interfaith dialogue with guest Eboo Patel.

Prayer Request from Mennonite Mission Network:

Pray for the Holy Spirit's power to be evident in the three congregations that make up the Conference of Mennonite Churches in Hong Kong – *Agape, Grace, and Hope*.

Prayers for Peacemakers:

Pray for refugees who are protesting against horrible living conditions and asking for protection as winter comes to Lesbos. Pray that their demands would be heard and for the CPT team that accompanies them.

Prayer Request from Sabeel:

Adverts highlighting the unjust Balfour declaration of 1917, when Britain promised a Jewish national home in Palestine, have been blocked by the Transport For London, on the grounds they are politically controversial. *Lord, there may be free speech in Britain on every issue, but not on Palestine. As the powerful, unsuccessfully, attempted to silence Jesus as he was considered religiously, socially and politically controversial, may the attempts to silence the cry of the Palestinians for justice end with failure. Lord in your mercy...*

The Israeli army raided the offices of eight TV channels and production companies in the West Bank, confiscating equipment and closing some. Two Palestinian journalists were arrested. *Lord, the powerful attempt to silence us with violence. We pray that the inspiration, passion and energy of Palestinian journalists continue to raise awareness of the Israeli violations in Palestine. Lord in your mercy...*

Visitors last Sunday: Yolanda Coria, Wichita; Joanna Wiebe, Vashon, WA; Alfred E. Newman

This Week at Church

Monday	Centering Prayer	4:45 p.m.
	Yoga	5:30 p.m.
	Wellness Group	6:45 p.m.
Wednesday	Yoga	4:45 p.m.
	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	6:45 p.m.
Thursday	Lifestyle Strategies – Gathering Room	12:00 p.m.
	Lorraine Ave. Mission Board Meeting	5:00 p.m.
	Lifestyle Strategies – Fellowship Hall	5:45 p.m.
	NAMI – B 3&4	6:00 p.m.
Friday	Yoga	12:00 p.m.

Elementary and Youth Sunday School Classes

Early Childhood (3- 4-year-olds) Shine! Curriculum Room 206
Teachers: Ellen Ebersole and Sylvia Schmidt

Kindergarten – Second Grade Shine! Curriculum Room 201
Teachers: Beth Lichty and Jill Robinson

Third - Fourth Grades Shine! Curriculum Room 202
Teachers: Alison Wenzel and Grayce Kaufmann

Fifth – Eighth Grades Shine! Curriculum Room B-4
Teachers: Nadine Reimer Penner, Julie Dunkelberger,
And Katie Mitchell-Koch

Ninth -Twelfth Grades Generation Why? Curriculum Rm 208
Teachers: Rachel Reimer-Kouame, Joel Ewy, and Jill Robinson

Taking the place of Adult Sunday School Classes this morning is the Festival of Talents, organized by the Stewardship Committee. You are invited to join the “festivities” in Fellowship Hall. Enjoy coffee, treats, and visiting with the LAMC boards & committees to see how you can be involved!

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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