

Lorraine Avenue Mennonite Church
Wichita, Kansas

Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost

November 5, 2017

9:30 a.m.

10:30 a.m.

10:45 a.m.

Worship
Fellowship
Sunday School

*“But you are not to be called rabbi,
for you have one teacher, and you are all students.”
Matthew 23:8*

Prelude	Devotion Beautiful Savior Fairest Lord Jesus <i>Erica Schmidt, organ</i>	arr. Beck arr. Wood
Introit	Kyrie Eleison <i>Chancel Choir</i>	Patterson
*Call to Worship		Sylvia Epp

Leader: We are children of one God!

People: One God has created us!

Leader: We are students of one Teacher.

People: Our teacher continues to teach us.

**All: Sisters and brothers,
Let us worship, listen, and learn,
In humility and in joy.**

*Hymn	Brethren, we have met to worship	HWB 8
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Psalm 107:1-7, 33-37 (adapted)

O give thanks to the LORD, for God is good;

God’s steadfast love endures forever.

*Let the redeemed of the LORD say so,
those God redeemed from trouble.*

**God gathered us in from the lands,
from the east and from the west,
from the north and from the south.**

*Some wandered in desert wastes,
finding no way to an inhabited town;*

hungry and thirsty, their soul fainted within them.

**Then we cried to the LORD in our trouble,
and God delivered us from our distress;
the Lord led us by a straight way,
until we reached an inhabited town.**

*Thank the LORD for his steadfast love,
for her wonderful works to humankind.*

**For God satisfies the thirsty,
and the hungry the Lord fills with good things.**

*God turns rivers into a desert,
springs of water into thirsty ground,
a fruitful land into a salty waste,
because of the wickedness of its inhabitants.*

**God turns a desert into pools of water,
a parched land into springs of water.
And there the Lord lets the hungry live,
and we establish a town to live in;**

we sow fields, and plant vineyards, and get a fruitful yield.

Hymn We plow the fields and scatter HWB 96

Bringing Our First Fruits Offerings

Offertory Ave Verum arr. Asper
Prayer of Dedication

Time for Children

Anthem For the Beauty of the Earth Rutter

The Lesson Matthew 23:1-12 (PB 804)

Sermon All About Honor Tom Harder

*Hymn Blest are they SJ 94

Work of the Church

Welcome and Introductions
Announcements and Activities
Joys and Concerns
Prayer

*Hymn

One is the body

SJ 72

*Benediction

Postlude

In Sweet Rejoicing

arr. Asper

*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 Anna, Henry, and Joel Ewy. **Nursery workers during worship** are Hennie and Mark Janzen; **during Sunday School**, Grayce and Reid Kaufmann. **Fellowship workers** are Marla Kauffman and Warren Yoder.

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.)

Next Sunday, November 12, Jim Juhnke will bring the sermon. This will be the same sermon he preached at Rainbow Mennonite Church on October 29 in conjunction with the symposium called "Remembering Muted Voices: Conscience, Dissent, Resistance and Civil Liberties in World War I." The exhibit, titled, "Voices of Conscience: Peace Witness in the Great War" and curated by Kauffman Museum in North Newton will be at Kauffman through January 21, 2018, after which it will travel around the country. It is a "traveling exhibit that remembers the witness of peace-minded people against the First World War 1914-1918." Jim's sermon on November 12 will be particularly timely as November 11 is now referred to as Veteran's Day but began as Armistice Day.

Among Our Friends:

We continue to keep the **Waltner family** in our prayers as eldest son, Gordon, is in hospice care at Showalter Villa.

LuVerna Duerksen continues as a patient at Via Christi St. Joseph.

Thanksgiving Day invitation! Some of us dread the arrival of the holidays – maybe we don't have family in the area, perhaps we don't have family at all, perhaps our family has other plans... whatever the situation is, we invite you to give thanks at Lorraine Avenue! Turkey will be provided, along with drinks, and table settings. Sign up on the sofa table in the south lobby to attend and let us know what you'll contribute to the meal. Meal will be at 1:00 p.m. on Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 23.

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

NEXT SUNDAY, November 12 is the Thanksgiving LAMP in-gathering. See the bulletin insert for the current list of LAMP items needed. Cash donations are also greatly appreciated. The Lorraine Avenue Mennonite Pantry (LAMP) collects items for recently resettled immigrants coming to the U.S. through the International Rescue Committee. This is one way of helping our new neighbors acclimate and feel welcome in our community. Bring your items to church anytime, but next Sunday is a special "Thanksgiving" offering.

GFCC and LAMC Cookbook Project – *Thank you all for your recipes!* The first "Tasting Meal" is coming up, Wednesday, November 15 – there is a sign-up sheet on the sofa table in the south lobby.

Inter-Faith Ministries OPERATION HOLIDAY 2017 is on! There's lots of work and if you're eager to help, *check with Linda Doll*. LAMC folks will volunteer as a group with food distribution Friday, December 15, 11 am-2 pm. You may consider a monetary donation to Inter-Faith Ministries/Operation Holiday or donating gently used/new clothing, blankets, etc.

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.

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!

Sexual Abuse Prevention Training at the MCC Center will be held on November 16, at 6:30 p.m. Offenders in the Church: Who They Are and How They Operate. Charissa Sloan Dvorak, attorney and investigator for GRACE (Godly Response to Abuse in Christian Environments) will give a presentation based on her experience prosecuting abuse cases and her extensive knowledge of sexual offenders. For information about the workshop or to register call 316-587-7244 or email kathywiens59@gmail.com. This training is free and open to the public. Registration is helpful, but don't let that stop you from coming.

Lunch & Learn with MCC on Thursday, Nov. 9! Join us to hear from Doug Hostetter, director of the MCC United Nations office and UN Office International Volunteer Exchange Program intern Tran Quang Thien Phuoc, son of a Vietnamese Mennonite pastor. They will share "Living Peace in Time of War: reflections on MCC service in the war zone during the Vietnam War." Lunch will be provided by Mojo's Coffee Bar for a donation. RSVP to this event by 5 pm on Monday, Nov. 6 to patsydirksen@mcc.org or 316.283.2720.

Prayer Request from Western District Conference:

Give thanks for the participation of WDC church members in Mennonite Central Committee relief sales this weekend in Enid, OK, and next weekend in Houston, TX.

Prayer Request from Mennonite Education Agency:

Pray for families and students in the Goshen, Indiana area as they consider the possibility of Christian education and take the opportunity to visit the school.

Prayer Request from Mennonite Mission Network:

A long-term mission worker in Mongolia requests prayer for a ministry of translating Christian literature as it moves toward sustainability by becoming a nonprofit organization. Pray that the worker will be able to maintain her work visa and that God will give wisdom in mentoring new staff.

Prayers for Mennonite Disaster Service:

Please remember in prayer the MDS operations team as they continue to work on the MDS response to Puerto Rico. MDS is partnering with Atlantic Coast Conference churches to fund food parcels to be sent to Puerto Rico. Pray that funding for 2000 parcels is raised. Thank you for your continued prayer for the work of MDS and those we serve.

Prayers for Peacemakers:

Pray that the new path that Iraq and other countries forced Kurdistan to undertake will not lead to spiraling violence, but rather guide its people to new structures of life and sustainable freedom.

Prayer Request from *Sabeel*:

There are 7.2 million Palestinian refugees worldwide; one in three Palestinians is a refugee. Over 5 million Palestinian refugees face poverty and insecurity across the occupied Palestinian territories, Lebanon, Jordan, and in Syria. *God of the journey, as we remember the Palestinian refugees we recall the Holy family who fled to Egypt. We pray for our sisters and brothers around the world and thank You for their strength, courage, and grace. We pray for a time the international community implements the United Nations resolutions and allow a safe return for our families. Lord in your mercy...*

Visitors last Sunday:

Visitors: Kevin Pankratz, Wichita; Yolanda Coria, Wichita

This Week at Church

Monday	Centering Prayer	4:45 p.m.
	Yoga	5:30 p.m.
	Wellness Group	6:45 p.m.
Tuesday	Women's Group – Rm 208	9:00 a.m.
Wednesday	Yoga	4:45 p.m.
	Music Committee	6:15 p.m.
	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	6:45 p.m.
Thursday	Lifestyle Strategies – Gathering Room	12:00 p.m.
	Lifestyle Strategies – Fellowship Hall	5:45 p.m.
	NAMI – B 3&4	6:00 p.m.
Friday	Yoga	12:00 p.m.
Saturday	Bd. of Christian Education	11:00 a.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

Adult Sunday School Classes

Empowerers Book Study Lois' Office (Basement)
*Radical Hope, letters of love and dissent
in dangerous times, edited by Carolina de Robertis*

Men's Study Jesus as seen through the eyes Library
of Leo Tolstoy
led by Doug Everingham and Alex Muñoz

Uniform Bible Study Series
will return November 19

Young Adult Class Choir Room
TED Talks and discussion facilitated by Ruth Tieszen

Faith and Issues Class Fellowship Hall
Holy Currencies: 6 Blessings for Sustainable Missional Ministries

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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Monday is the pastors' day off

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