

The Lesson Matthew 5:43-48 (PB 787)

Sermon World War I Stories James Juhnke
and Christian Peoplehood

*Hymn We are people of God's peace HWB 407

Work of the Church

Welcome and Introductions
Announcements and Activities
Joys and Concerns
Prayer

*Hymn I bind my heart this tide HWB 411

*Benediction

Response Put Peace into Each Other's Hands Kaan

Postlude A Mighty Fortress arr. Held

*Congregation Stands

HWB = Hymnal, a Worship Book; SJ = Sing the Journey;
SS = Sing the Story; PB = Pew Bible

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.

Many thanks to Dr. James Juhnke for bringing our message this morning!

Greeters this morning are Jonathan Beachy and Jeff Becker. **Nursery workers during worship** are Beth and Jonas Lichty; **during Sunday School**, Carmen Tamerius. **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.)

Among Our Friends:

Our Christian love and sympathy goes out to Bob and Barbara Waltner and their family at the death of their eldest son, Gordon, this past Monday evening, November 6. A service of celebration of his life was held Saturday, November 11, at the Hesston Mennonite Brethren Church.

LuVerna Duerksen has moved! Her new address is c/o Diversicare of Sedgwick, 712 N. Monroe Ave. Sedgwick, KS 67135. Her cell number is 316.573.6692. She is happy to be at Diversicare – and would love to hear from her church family!

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...

GFCC and LAMC Cookbook Project – *Thank you all for your recipes!* The first “Tasting Meal” is coming up, **THIS** Wednesday, November 15, 5:45 PM – 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.

Camp Mennoscah is seeking volunteers to help prepare the main camp kitchen for renovations beginning Saturday, December 2, and continuing Monday-Saturday **December 4-9** until the kitchen is completely gutted. Both women and men are welcome to come out and help, and we will have a variety of tasks to complete. All work will be inside, so don't worry about cold temperatures! If you wish to volunteer multiple days, that's great! We can arrange lodging and meals for you. Carpooling to camp may be available on some or all of the days. If you have questions or are interested in volunteering, please contact Jim Yoder at 316-284-3890 (voice or text) or jdyoder@cox.net, or Camp Mennoscah at (620)297-3290, office@campmennoscah.org. Bring a friend, or bring multiple friends! Thank you for considering this opportunity! Camp Mennoscah Staff

Prayer Request from Western District Conference:

Pray for the WDC Church Planting Commission as they meet next week, and in their support of church planters and emerging congregations in WDC.

Prayer Request from Mennonite Education Agency:

Give thanks for those who contributed to the development of a new free app for Take Our Moments and Our Days: An Anabaptist Prayer Book. Pray that this app would reach users worldwide with this resource for morning and evening prayer from AMBS' Institute of Mennonite Studies.

Prayer Request from Mennonite Mission Network:

Anne and Daniel Kompaore have devoted their lives to God's work in Burkina Faso. Pray for them as they empower churches and schools, and invest in making God's word available to people in their heart languages.

Prayers for Peacemakers:

Pray for the important truth-seeking work of the Canadian National Inquiry into Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls. Pray for those who lost their loved ones as they share and relive their grief. Pray that the truth might build a path to healing and transformation. Recently, during one of the sessions of the Winnipeg

portion of the National Inquiry into Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls and LGBTQ2S, the Indigenous Peoples Solidarity team listened to the difficult account from three Indigenous families who had their sister, mother, daughter, aunt taken from them in a brutal way. In the last 30 years, anywhere from 1,300 to 4,000 Indigenous women, girls and members of the LGBTQ2S community have been taken from their loved ones. The variance in the numbers is because many disappearances are not reported or counted by authorities. This inquiry is to hear the stories and to examine and report the systemic causes of violence. The inquiry commissioners spent five days in Winnipeg and will go to rural and urban communities across this vast land.

Prayer Request from Sabeel:

A new report by Israeli rights groups B'Tselem and HaMoked, accuses Israel of “systematic abuse” of young Palestinians arrested after attending protests in occupied East Jerusalem, ignoring laws to protect teenagers rights, detaining those accused of throwing stones at soldiers in the middle of the night and questioning without a lawyer present. *For boys and girls whose childhood has been stolen in the cause of war and occupation, Lord bring restoration, healing, family, love. We ask Lord that such abuse must stop. Lord in your mercy...*

Due to American intervention Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu is delaying bringing the “Greater Jerusalem Bill” for a vote during his cabinet meeting. The bill would annex a number of the illegal Israeli Jewish settlements in the occupied West Bank to the city of Jerusalem in order to make the Jewish population greater than the Arab population, strengthening the Jewish hold on the city. *Lord God lead humanity, from falsehood to truth, from despair to hope, from fear to trust, from hate to love, from occupation and war to peace. Lord bring Justice and let peace fill our hearts, our land, our world, our universe. Peace, peace, peace. Lord in your mercy....*

A group of British activists, organized by our friends in Amos Trust, walked for 174 days from the UK to Jerusalem as a symbolic act of penance to apologize for the injustice of the “Balfour Declaration” which marks its 100th anniversary this November. The activists concluded their visit with a worship service at St. George’s cathedral in Jerusalem. *Lord God we thank you for our friends who can see our suffering and oppression and respond boldly standing against those who oppress us. We thank you for their sacrifices that they might be instruments of your peace. We are grateful for their*

speaking truth, giving us hope and raising awareness to the impact of the occupation. Lord in your mercy...

Seven Palestinians were killed, and 12 others were wounded after Israeli forces blew up an underground tunnel between the southern Gaza Strip and Israel last week. *God of justice and mercy, we pray fervently that more bloodshed will be prevented. We remember the people in Gaza and especially the little children. We pray for the end of the ten-year-old blockade of Gaza and the end of the evil military occupation. Lord in your mercy...*

Visitors last Sunday:

John Harder, Windsor, Ontario; Yolanda Coria, Wichita

This Week at Church

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| Monday | Centering Prayer | 4:45 p.m. |
| | Yoga | 5:30 p.m. |
| | Wellness Group | 6:45 p.m. |
| Tuesday | Deacons Meeting | 7:00 p.m. |
| Wednesday | Yoga | 4:45 p.m. |
| | Tasting Meal – Fellowship Hall | 5:45 p.m. |
| | Chancel Choir Rehearsal | 6:45 p.m. |
| Thursday | Lifestyle Strategies – Gathering Room | 12:00 p.m. |
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| | <i>knitting4peace</i> – Gathering Room | 7:00 p.m. |
| Friday | Yoga | 12:00 p.m. |
| | Peace Committee – Gathering Room | 4:00 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

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
will return December 3

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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