

Community Mennonite Church

July 25, 2010

Tell me a Story . . .

Gathering

WELCOME

Marshall Yoder

PRELUDE

Monica Carlson

OPENING HYMN

When all thy mercies, O my God

Matt Carlson

Blue 72

CALL TO WORSHIP IN WORD AND SONG

Marshall and Sam Yoder

CMC Singers

Romans 2:1-4

Come unto me

HYMN

O breathe on me, O breath of God

Green 46

Loving Spirit

Green 34

Hearing God's Word

CHILDREN'S STORY

Jonah 3-4

**May the words of my mouth
and the meditations of my heart
Be acceptable in your sight, O God,
my Rock and my Redeemer.**

SERMON

Jennifer Davis Sensenig

"Repentance"

Responding in Faith

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

HYMN

What wondrous love is this

Blue 530

OFFERING OUR FIRSTFRUITS

OFFERTORY

CONGREGATIONAL SHARING AND PRAYER

Jennifer Davis Sensenig

Sending

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Jennifer Davis Sensenig

BENEDICTION

SONG OF SENDING

**We cry to you and we're set free,
we trust in you and are not put to shame**

(based on Psalm 22:5)

Iced Tea/Lemonade Fellowship

GUIDELINES FOR DIALOGUE

In the June 27 forum focused on dialogue with difficult issues, those present brainstormed possible guidelines and commitments for our congregational process in the coming months. Growing out of this brainstorming process, Pastoral Team offers the following set of commitments as we move forward:

As we "follow Jesus in our relationships with persons who are gay or lesbian", we commit ourselves to:

- 1) **Listen to one another** carefully and thoughtfully seeking to understand one another, especially those with whom we may disagree
- 2) **Share our own stories/perspectives** on matters related to sexuality with as much honesty and vulnerability as we are able
- 3) **Listen to the Holy Spirit** as we seek to find common ground in the study of the scriptures and our engagement with one another
- 4) **Be gracious with one another** in the midst of our disagreements, mistakes, and the inevitable challenges of this process

You are invited to participate in the second forum (July 25) which will include dwelling in the Word (Eph. 2:11-22) and brainstorming possible outcomes for our process.

PASTORAL TEAM

Welcome to all visitors!

- Restrooms and Nursery Care (ages 3 and under) are off the main hallway (north side of building)
- The Church Newsletter is in one of the kiosk pockets
- "Quiet activity bags" for ages 3 to 5 are available in the back of the sanctuary
- Visitor Information can be in the kiosk in the fellowship hall.
- Please let us know you were here by filling out a blue slip in the Welcome to Worship brochure and placing it in the offering plate.

TODAY, July 25

Worship at 9:30 AM
Announcements: Jennifer Davis Sensenig
Nursery: Hannah Heishman & Laura Quass
Sound: Jim Miller
Greeters: Nicholas Stoddard & Sharon Miller
Head Usher: Harold Shenk
Forum from 11 AM-noon, childcare provided

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OUR MISSION

We the people of Community Mennonite Church offer our gifts and lives to the call of Jesus Christ.

We strive actively to follow the God of peace through our worship, fellowship, and service to both the local community and the wider world.

CMC ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

Sandy is on vacation all week

Next Sun 9:30 AM Worship
Speaker: Jane Burkholder
Worship Leader: Terry Burkhalter
Nursery: Eli, Leah, & Andrea Wenger
Sound: Wayne Gehman
Greeters: Steve Witmer & Sandy King
Head Usher: Lois Kauffman/Bill White

IN OUR BUILDING THIS WEEK

All week Brethren Voluntary Service group in Dean House
Mon 5:45 PM Bridge of Hope Board, FH
Wed 7:00 PM Patchwork Pantry, kitchen, FH
Sat Hispanic wedding, sanctuary

PASTORAL TEAM

Jennifer Davis Sensenig, Lead Pastor
cmc_jennifer@ntelos.net Mon-Thu 9-4, off Fri
Jason Gerlach, Pastor of Youth Ministry
youthpastor@ntelos.net Mon, Wed, Thu 9-noon
Shirley Yoder Brubaker, Interim Pastor
cmc_shirley@ntelos.net Tue, Wed 9-noon

Tina Beachy, Pastoral Elder
Lonnie Yoder, Pastoral Elder

CHURCH COUNCIL

Andrea Wenger, Council Chair
David Detrow, Vice-Chair
Terry Burkhalter, Administrative Chair
Brian Martin Burkholder, Community Life Chair
Jennifer Murch, Youth Chair
Heidi Winters Vogel, Outreach Chair
Hedy Reese, Worship Chair

CHURCH OFFICE

Sandy McCafferty, Office Coordinator
office hrs: Mon-Fri, 9-4:30

UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES

Sept 10-12 All-church Retreat at Camp Overlook

Attendance last Sunday: 197

Offering: \$7,434.72

YTD Budget Comparison: -\$20,159