

Community Mennonite Church

June 26, 2011

“Thy Kingdom Come on Earth”

Communicating with images and stories. Over the next 5 weeks, our worship themes will highlight a few parables.

Jesus used simple word-pictures, called parables, to help people understand who God is and what the kingdom was like. Jesus used images and characters taken from everyday life to create a miniature play or drama to illustrate his message. This was Jesus’ most common way of teaching. His stories appealed to the young and old, poor and rich, and to the learned and unlearned as well. Jesus loved to use illustrations to reach the heart of his listeners through their imagination. Like a skillful artist, Jesus painted lively pictures with short and simple words. A good picture can speak more loudly and clearly than many words. Jesus used the ordinary everyday to point to another order of reality. Jesus communicated with pictures and stories, vivid illustrations which captured the imaginations of his audience more powerfully than an abstract presentation could. His parables are like buried treasure waiting to be discovered (Matthew 13:44).

Gathering and Praising

PRELUDE

Jonathan Murch

CALL TO WORSHIP AND WELCOME

Teresa Boshart Yoder

HYMNS

All people that on earth do dwell

Nancy Heisey

Blue 42

Sing to the Lord of Harvest

Blue 98

Hearing God’s Word

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Matthew 13:2-30; 36-43

Nicholas Detweiler Stoddard Parable of the Wheat and Weeds

CHILDREN’S Time

Eliot Swartz

BLESSING FOR LEONARD FAMILY

Pastor Jason Gerlach

HYMN

Theme Song

The Kingdom of God

Blue 224

LORD’S PRAYER

HYMN

May the words of my mouth

Blue hymnal insert

SERMON

Let Them Grow Together. Wait, What?

Pastor Jason Gerlach

Responding

HYMN

Lead me, Lord

Blue 538

OFFERING OUR FIRSTFRUITS

OFFERTORY

Jonathan Murch

CONGREGATIONAL SHARING AND PRAYER

Lonnie Yoder

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Jason Gerlach

Sending

BENEDICTION

SENDING HYMN

For me to live is Christ

Purple 111

Fellowship Time

Welcome to all guests!

- 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 is 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.
- If you are hearing impaired, please contact an usher who can help you with a device for use with our sound system during worship.



TODAY, June 26

Worship at 9:30 AM

Announcements: Jason Gerlach

Nursery: Dave & Sheri Smucker family

Sound: Tom Sawin

Greeters: Kenton & Rhoda Trost Derstine

Head Usher: Brandon Roth

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CMC ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

Tue 6:00 PM New attenders meal at Pastor Jennifer's
7:00 PM needle crafters group, FH

Next Sun 9:30 AM Worship
Speaker: Jim and Anna Bishop
Worship Leader: Steve Schumm
Nursery: Meribeth & Carly Kraybill
Sound:
Greeters: Meribeth Kraybill & Jean Fisher
Head Usher: Bill White

IN OUR BUILDING THIS WEEK

Wed 7:00 PM Patchwork Pantry, FH, K

UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES

July 4-8 MCUSA Assembly in Pittsburgh
July 29-31 VMC Assembly in Harrisonburg
Sept 9-11 CMC Retreat at Camp Overlook
Sept 30-Oct 1 VA Mennonite Relief Sale at fairgrounds

~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.*

PASTORAL TEAM

Jennifer Davis Sensenig, Lead Pastor
cmc_jennifer@ntelos.net Mon-Thur 9-4, off Fri
Steve Schumm, Associate Pastor
cmc_steve@ntelos.net Mon-Thur 9-4, off Fri
Jason Gerlach, Pastor of Youth Ministry
youthpastor@ntelos.net Mon, Wed, Thur 9-noon

Tina Beachy, Pastoral Elder
Lonnie Yoder, Pastoral Elder
Anna Maria Johnson, Pastoral Elder

CHURCH COUNCIL

Terry Burkhalter, Council Chair
Elaine Dunaway, Vice-Chair
Marshall Yoder, 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

Attendance last Sunday: 158

Offering: \$5,189

YTD Budget Comparison: -\$9,606