

Welcome to

Rochester Mennonite Church

January 14, 2018

Sunday Morning Worship

9:00 AM

Lois Kennel, Song Leader
Rev. Galen Penner, Pastor

GATHERING AND PRAISING

Words of Welcome

Call to Worship

(Praying/bulletin cover/unison)

Hymn

#20 (HWB)

Come and see

Invocation

Hymn

#229 (HWB)

Lord, you have come to the lakeshore

Hymn

#32 (HWB)

Two fishermen

SHARING AND PRAYING

Joys, Concerns and Announcements

Prayer Hymn

#353 (HWB)

Lord, listen to your children

The Prayers of the People

Moments for Witness

(How does my life and vocational call witness to the reign of God?)

HEARING GOD'S WORD

Scripture Reading

Mark 1:14-20

Children's Hymn

#544 (HWB)

Jesus loves me

Children's Story

Kim Leichty

Sermon

What Really Matters?

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

Hymn

#523 (HWB)

Dear Lord and Father of mankind

Offering Ourselves and our Gifts to God

(Monthly Giving – Channel One)

The Offering Hymn

#383 (HWB)

God, whose giving

The Offering Prayer

Hymn

#553 (HWB)

I am weak and I need thy strength

BLESSING AND SENDING

Benediction

Doxology

#119 (HWB)

Praise God from whom

The Rochester Mennonite Church is a congregation that welcomes people to join our community of faith so that they may grow in their personal understanding and relationship with God. Members and guests are appreciatively welcomed to this service of worship.

Announcements

If you have announcements to be included in the bulletin, please get them to Galen, preferably with the exact wording you wish to use, not later than Thursday morning. Also please indicate how long you wish to have the announcements included in the bulletin.

The sign-up sheet for being a worship leader, song leader, and doing the children's story for the next several months is available. Please sign up as you feel led.

Responsibilities for Next Sunday (January 21):

- Set-up – Daniel Leichty
- Worship Leader – Jim Rohrer
- Song Leader – Lois Kennel
- Children's Story – Kim Leichty
- Adult Sunday School – David Brunner

The movie “The Occupation of the American Mind” will be shown from 2 – 4 p.m. next Sunday, January 21, at the Rochester Public Library Auditorium. This is sponsored by the Southeast Minnesota Alliance of Peacemakers.

Our annual Congregational Meeting will be held on January 28 following our morning worship service. We will not be having Sunday School that morning. Plan to meet in room 38.

Pray for the Annual Meeting Task Group meeting on Wednesday of this week in Lincoln.

At AMBS, in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Dr. Daniel White Hodge, Ph.D. will speak on “No Church in the Wild: Christianity, White Supremacy, Black Liberation and Hip Hop.” May seeds be sown to bring about changes to unjust power systems and structures.

The five-person Journey Forward writing team met for the first time on Dec. 11-13 to begin their work with Journey Forward, a churchwide process for following God's calling for MC USA. The team invites prayers for their second Face-to-Face in Philadelphia on Jan. 25-27. Read about their first meeting here: <http://mennoniteusa.org/news/writers-gather-plan-journey-forward-draft/>

Earn an MDiv at a distance. Develop your leadership abilities from an Anabaptist perspective while staying in your current vocation. AMBS's MDiv Connect program offers you in-depth biblical and theological study, spiritual formation and vocational internships — right where you live. Need-based financial aid is available.

More workers are needed to join the Central Plains work team heading to Ecuador February 23 - March 5, 2018! This is a great opportunity to escape the cold here in the upper Mid-West and travel to a warmer climate to work with our brothers and sisters in Quito to help with the renovation of their recently acquired building. Couples and individuals are welcome to come work on light construction, painting and other renovation tasks, all while developing friendships with the folks in Ecuador who are eager to host this group. If there are not enough members to form a work team, this trip will not happen. If you are interested in participating, or helping with the costs of this work, contact Doyle Roth as soon as possible at doyleroth@hotmail.com or by phone at 402-641-0266.

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(The Rochester Mennonite Church meets in the chapel of Christ United Methodist Church, located at 5th Avenue and 4th Street SW. The chapel is located in the northeast corner of the building.)

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