Welcome to

Rochester Mennonite Church

January 19, 2020

Sunday Morning Worship

9:10 AM

Kurt Kennel, Worship Leader

Lois Kennel, Song Leader

Rev. Galen Penner, Pastor

GATHERING AND PRAISING

Words of Welcome

Words for Worship Psalm 40:1-10

Centering Silence

Hymn #10 (STJ)

Spirit, working in creation

Confession of Faith (bulletin cover)

Invocation

Hymn #54 (STJ)

Longing for light

Hymn #523 (HWB)

Dear Lord and Father of mankind

HEARING GOD'S WORD

Scripture Reading I Corinthians 1:1-9

John 1:29-42

Sermon

Why Did Jesus Come?

Hymn #522 (HWB)

My Jesus, I love thee

SHARING AND PRAYING

Joys, Concerns and Announcements

Prayer Hymn #353 (HWB)

Lord, listen to your children

The Prayers of the People

RESPONDING TO GOD'S CALL

Offering Ourselves and our Gifts to God

(Monthly Giving – Channel One)

The Offering Hymn #60 (STJ)

Lord of all good

The Offering Prayer

Hymn #63 (STJ)

Lord, you give the great commission

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 or song leader for the next several months is available. Please sign up as you feel led.

A congregational meeting has been scheduled for today. It will begin at approximately 10:30. We will not be having Sunday School today.

Two Church Council positions, the positions currently held by Gordon and Phil, are up for re-election. Gordon and Phil may be re-elected. If you have concerns please speak to a member of the council.

The Church Council will meet on January 30 at 6:30 p.m.

Congratulations to Daniel Leichty following his move to his new home. His new address is 33 13 ½ St. NW Apt. 305 with a zip code of 55901.

Thinking about seminary? Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary offers scholarships and need-based financial aid to help make your education affordable. Complete your admissions application now so you can be eligible to apply for merit-based scholarships by March 1 and ministry scholarships by April 1.

Professor of Pastoral Care and Director of Contextual Education position open. Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary, Elkhart, Indiana, is hiring a full-time professor to start July 1, 2020. Preferred qualifications: Ph.D. or equivalent; expertise in pastoral care; strong organizational, interpersonal, intercultural and communication skills; preparedness to oversee ministry placements and chaplaincy requirements; and the ability to inspire students in face-to-face and online learning environments.

We will be serving a meal for our Friends at the Jeremiah Program on February 11. Please plan to arrive by 4:45 p.m. It is estimated that 30 adults and 25 children will be eating.

Please pray for healing for all who lost their loved ones and homes during the major earthquake that struck Albania in November.

Approximately 51 people died and 3,000 were injured.

This week, Bluffton University is celebrating Martin Luther King Jr. Please pray for Dr. LaShonda Gurley, director for the Center for Career and Vocation, as she shares the MLK Day Forum "Walking the Talk" on implicit bias. Please pray for the campus community, as we continue implementing strategies for addressing bias in everyday life.

Please pray for Hope for the Future 2020, a Mennonite Church USA people of color event being held January 24-26. Hope for the Future gathers leaders of color from church and related ministries to explore the ways that power, privilege and racism function in our denomination.

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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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