Welcome to

Rochester Mennonite Church

July 23, 2017

Sunday Morning Worship Kurt Kennel, Worship Leader Rev. Galen Penner, Pastor

GATHERING AND PRAISING

Words of Welcome Hymn

Hymn	#20 (HWB)
Come and See	
Call to Worship/Praising/Adoring	(bulletin cover/unison)
Invocation/Confessing/Reconciling	(bulletin cover)
Scripture Memorization	(bulletin insert)
Matthew 5:17-20	
Hymn	#120 (HWB)
Holy, holy, holy	
Hymn	#161 (HWB)

We give thanks unto thee

SHARING AND PRAYING

Joys, Concerns and Announcements	
Prayer Hymn	#353 (HWB)
Lord, listen to your children praying	
The Prayers of the People	

HEARING GOD'S WORD

Scripture Reading Sermon Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

The Wheat and the Weeds

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

Hymn	#454 (HWB)
Seed, scattered and sown	. ,
Offering Ourselves and our Gifts to God	
(Monthly Giving – Salvation Army)	
The Offering Hymn	#392 (HWB)
Heart and mind, possessions	
(v. 1)	
The Offering Prayer	
Hymn	#597 (HWB)
<i>Oh, how happy are they</i>	. ,

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 (July 30):

- Set-up –
- Worship Leader –
- Song Leader –
- Children's Story –
- Adult Sunday School –

Anabaptist Prayer Service: This summer we are engaging in a new venture here. We are calling this new venture the Anabaptist Prayer Service. This worship experience will begin at 9 a.m. each Sunday morning. We will meet in the back half of room 38. Everyone is invited and welcome to attend.

The Church Council will meet on Tuesday, July 25 at 9 a.m. at Lois' home.

A congregational meeting is being planned for August 6. This meeting will commence at approximately 11 a.m.

Pray for the camp staff and campers at Swan Lake Christian Camp near Viborg, South Dakota. This week is senior high camp, and next week is junior high camp.

Pray for Anabaptists and other Christian communities around the world as they face a variety of challenges and seek to share the light of Christ with the needs of their local contexts.

Pray that IMS can find the right candidate to fill our Chemistry and Physics teaching position. Pray for continued growth in enrollment and the continued diversity that walks our hallways.

You and your congregations are invited to attend the Israeli Scouts Performance at B'nai Israel Synagogue! The Israeli Scout Troop sings, dances, tells their story and serves as ambassadors to Israel offering those who meet them a chance to see the vibrant face of Israel today. They are a dynamic bunch and the stories of their lives that they share are heartwarming and inspirational. Please be sure to share this information with the members of your individual congregations... all are welcome to attend. This happens today at noon.

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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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