

Welcome to

Rochester Mennonite Church

September 8, 2019

Sunday Morning Worship

9:10 AM

Kurt Kennel, Worship Leader

Lois Kennel, Song Leader

Rev. Galen Penner, Pastor

GATHERING AND PRAISING

Words of Welcome

Scripture Memorization (bulletin insert)

Matthew 7:15-20

Hymn #6 (STJ)

Jesus, we are here

Call to Worship (bulletin cover)

Invocation/Unison Prayer (bulletin cover - unison)

Hymn #72 (STJ)

One is the body

Hymn #369 (HWB)

Lord, whose love in humble service

HEARING GOD'S WORD

Scripture Reading Luke 14:25-35

Sermon

The Costliness of Discipleship

Hymn #535 (HWB)

Who now would follow Christ

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 – Aids Relief Kit)

The Offering Hymn #388 (HWB)

Grant us, Lord, the grace

The Offering Prayer

Hymn #106 (STJ)

Just a closer walk with thee

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.

Matthew 7:15-20

Beware of false prophets, who come to you in sheep's clothing but inwardly are ravenous wolves. You will know them by their fruits. Are grapes gathered from thorns, or figs from thistles? In the same way, every good tree bears good fruit, but the bad tree bears bad fruit. A good tree cannot bear bad fruit, nor can a bad tree bear good fruit. Every tree that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. Thus you will know them by their fruits.

We will be serving a meal for our Friends at the Jeremiah Program on September 17. Please plan to arrive by 5 p.m.

The Church Council will meet on September 23 at 6:30 p.m.

Today on National Grandparents Day, give thanks for grandparents, both biological and surrogate, who lovingly nurture, pass on beliefs, values and distilled wisdom to the next generation. Pray that God may grant special blessings of strength and hope-filled courage to the grandparents who have the responsibility of raising grandchildren.

Gain peacebuilding skills at AMBS. Do you have a burning theological question, or is there a particular ministry you'd like to pursue? Through AMBS's MA: Theology and Peace Studies program, you can explore and engage a topic of your choice from multiple angles and design a peacebuilding internship in your area of interest.

Peace Academic Center, formerly Hopi Mission School, began classes for pre-K and kindergarten students in August. "We are very thankful and grateful for everyone who has been involved and sent us their prayers, past and present. It's with their support that they are able to open the school again," said Lance Polingyouma, cultural liaison.

Pray for New York Mennonite Conference as they hold their celebration gathering on Sept. 14.

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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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