

Welcome to

Rochester Mennonite Church

October 8, 2017

Sunday Morning Worship **9:00 AM**
Kurt Kennel, Worship Leader David Brunner, Song Leader
Rev. Galen Penner, Pastor

GATHERING AND PRAISING

Words of Welcome
Hymn *As a pauper waits for plenty* #9 (STS)

Invocation
Gathering (bulletin cover)
Scripture Memorization (bulletin insert)
Matthew 5:27-31

Hymn #58 (STS)
O God, how we have wandered

Hymn #110 (STS)
Trust and Obey

Children's Hymn #544 (HWB)
Jesus loves me

Children's Story Kim Leichty

SHARING AND PRAYING

Joys, Concerns and Announcements
Prayer Hymn #353 (HWB)
Lord, listen to your children praying

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 Isaiah 5:1-7
Matthew 21:33-46

Sermon
The Fruits of the Kingdom

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

Hymn #540 (HWB)
Strong, righteous man of Galilee

Offering Ourselves and our Gifts to God
(Monthly Giving – Mennonite Disaster Service)

The Offering Hymn #385 (HWB)
What gift can we bring
(vs. 1)

The Offering Prayer
Hymn #434 (HWB)
Thuma mina

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 (October 15):

- Set-up – Daniel Leichty
- Worship Leader – Kurt Kennel
- Song Leader –
- Children's Story –
- Adult Sunday School – David Brunner

The Church Council will meet on October 31 at 9 a.m.

Pray for the Christian Formation Committee meeting this weekend in a planning retreat.

AMBS Pastors and Leaders 2018: Feb. 26 – March 1 (*formerly Pastors Week; please also note the later dates for 2018*). **“For Such a Time as This”** will feature teachers and preachers from the Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary community. In the midst of chaotic times, God calls you to the crucial work of helping to form the people of God. We will explore how “fear of the Lord” uniquely prepares us to live confidently and speak courageously in this moment in history. Taking our cues from Scripture and the experiences of the global church, we will delve into Christian practices that reliably nurture, sustain and animate faith in difficult times, and learn fresh ways to share those practices.

This week is Spiritual Life Week for students, faculty and staff at Dock. Pray for Mike Ford, pastor at Blooming Glen Mennonite Church, as he shares with them.

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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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