Prayer Corner

Pray for...Ukraine

Mennonite Mission Network Prayer Request:

Mennonite Mission Network requests prayer for Prince of Peace Mennonite Church and the Service Adventure unit in Anchorage, Alaska, as Zaden Issah, Sam Setiawan and leader Michael Oyer recently welcomed three new participants from Germany: Sarah Huber, Alexander Mantler and Daniel Schumacher. Ask God to bless their transition to a larger household.

Prayers for Faith and Learning (Mennonite Education Agency):

Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary: Elkhart, IN: Pray for prospective AMBS students who are applying for scholarships this month and for administrators who are discerning how to award funds. Give thanks for donors who help make seminary study possible!



PNMC e-bulletin

On the Bulletin Boards:

➤ A "Celebration of Life" will be held for Curt Dietz on Saturday, March 19th, 1-5pm at his family home in Salem. More details are posted on the bulletin board at church.



SALEM MENNONITE CHURCH 1045 Candlewood Drive NE, Salem, OR 97303 Phone: 503-390-2715

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Education Hour: 9:15 a.m. / 9:30 a.m. Worship: 10:45 a.m.

Pastor: Jerrell Williams (214) 406-0865, pastor@SalemMennoniteChurch.org

Youth Leader: Sina Yang youth@SalemMennoniteChurch.org

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Thank you for silencing your cell phone. For those attending via Zoom, thank you for remaining muted.

Second Sunday of Lent

WE GATHER

Prelude

Call to Worship - Elijah Penner

Instrumental Hymn
Confession & Assurance

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Message for Children - Lori Christy

Scripture Psalm 27

Message "To behold the beauty of the Lord." - Josh Stringer

WE RESPOND

Offering

Special Offering for MCC's response in Ukraine

Sharing and Prayer ending with Lord's Prayer - Dave Engle

(Respond with: "Lord, we thank you" / "Lord, hear our prayer")
(Responde con: "Senor, te damos gracias" / "Senor, escucha nuestra oracion")

("Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us")

WE GO FORTH

Hymns - Chris Lehman

Sending Words

Hebere Today

Ushers Today - Brent & Marj Mobley-Oorthuys

Sound & Zoom Tech - Jason Sell

Nursery care is currently unavailable. The nursery is available for parents to use as needed.

Sunday School

9:15 a.m. Adult Sunday School class (Zoom only): Church & Politics

9:30 a.m. Youth Sunday School class (contact Dave Engle for details)

9:30 a.m. Children's Sunday School (In-person only):

Pre K & Kindergarten - Ryan Nisly, teacher Elementary (Grades 1-4) - Melissa Nisly, teacher Junior Youth (Grades 5-7) - Juel Russell, teacher

THIS WEEK, March 13, 2022 - March 19, 2022

Today Second Sunday of Lent

Daylight Saving Time begins

10:45 a.m. Worship Service (In-person & Zoom)

Wednesday 7:00 a.m. Women's breakfast meeting (Zoom)

10:00 a.m. Quilting

7:00 p.m. Leadership Board Meeting (Zoom)

Thursday 9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study (Zoom)

6:30 p.m. Sacred Circle (at J. Flaming's)

Friday 6:00 p.m. SE Keizer Community Center - Fellowship Hall

Tbd Elder's Meeting at J. Penner's

Sunday, March 20, 2022 - Third Sunday of Lent

10:45 a.m. Worship Service (In-person & Zoom)

Birthdays this week: Donna BreMiller, Ashlynn Nisly,

Ryan Nisly, Glenn Yutzie

FOR THE RECORD March 6, 2022 Worship service

In person Attendance: 54

Zoom attendance: 31 devices, estimated at 44 people

General Offering totals received in March

March 6:\$4,415General Fund total for Mar.:\$4,415Total monthly requirement:\$14,691

There will be a second offering collected today and all contributions received will be sent to MCC for their ongoing work in responding to the war in Ukraine. If writing a cheque, please put "MCC Ukraine" on the memo line.

We welcome Joshua Stringer to our service this morning. Joshua received his Master's degree in applied theology from Marylhurst University and completed a spiritual direction certification program through the Urban Spirituality Center in Portland. He has lived in Salem for 16 years and is a member of The First United Methodist Church. He served as the coordinator of the Southeast Keizer Community Center from 2017-2020.

Pastor Jerrell is on parental leave and will be back in the office on Tuesday, April 5. During his absence, please contact one of the Elders (Lois Oesch, Karen Perez, Dave Engle, Joseph Penner).

Join us for the **Oregon MCC Winter Warm Up!** We will be knotting comforters to send to MCC to be used for refugees around the world on Monday, March 21 from 9 AM - 2 PM at Zion Mennonite Church. Open to all ages, you just need know how to tie a square knot - or we can teach you! Come for any part or all of the day. Questions? Contact Gail Manickam at gail@manickam.net.

If you are participating in the **Adult Sunday School class** (or if you are not but would like to be included in the discussions), please contact Bonnie Lehman at office@SalemMennoniteChurch.org to be added to the Adult Sunday School email group (google group). This group is designed for continuing the conversation from class or adding additional thoughts you may have on the topics under discussion. Thank you.

The **Executive Board of Mennonite Church USA** affirmed a "clean" audit report and strong financial results during its meeting on February 3-4, 2022, and provided direction and feedback for the work ahead related to the upcoming Special Session of the Delegate Assembly (May 27-30, 2022), the resolutions process and denominational polity. Read more: www.mennoniteusa.org/news/board-affirms

Everyone is invited to attend Mountain States Conference's **Faith & Life Forum**, entitled "The Myth of the Perfect Victim," on Zoom on March 26 from 9:30-11:30 a.m. MST. Join Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary assistant professor Susannah Larry and mental health therapist Will Larry as they guide us to better understand men's and women's experiences of violence and the ways we can all be supportive. https://mountainstatesmc.org/2022-faith-life-forum/

During **Women's History Month** (March), the Women in Leadership ministry of Mennonite Church USA invites you to engage in its small group Bible study, "Laboring Toward Wholeness: A Training on Dismantling Patriarchy." Learn more here: www.mennoniteusa.org/resource/laboring-toward-wholeness

Menno Snapshots: "In the context of anti-racism work, particularly in the church, I have learned that we need each other, and we need to hold constant our vision of God's shalom for all of creation," said Regina Shands Stoltzfus, author of this season's CommonRead book, "Been in the Struggle: Pursuing an Anti-Racist Spirituality," in her recent blog. Read "Black history is also joy," here: www.mennoniteusa.org/black-history-joy

Psalm 27 (NRSV)

- ¹ The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?
- ² When evildoers assail me to devour my flesh my adversaries and foes— they shall stumble and fall.
- ³ Though an army encamp against me, my heart shall not fear; though war rise up against me, yet I will be confident.
- ⁴ One thing I asked of the LORD, that will I seek after: to live in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the LORD, and to inquire in his temple.
- ⁵ For he will hide me in his shelter in the day of trouble; he will conceal me under the cover of his tent; he will set me high on a rock.
- ⁶ Now my head is lifted up above my enemies all around me, and I will offer in his tent sacrifices with shouts of joy; I will sing and make melody to the LORD.
- ⁷ Hear, O LORD, when I cry aloud, be gracious to me and answer me! ⁸ 'Come,' my heart says, 'seek his face!' Your face, LORD, do I seek.
- Do not hide your face from me. Do not turn your servant away in anger, you who have been my help. Do not cast me off, do not forsake me, O God of my salvation!
- ¹⁰ If my father and mother forsake me, the LORD will take me up.
- ¹¹ Teach me your way, O LORD, and lead me on a level path because of my enemies.
- Do not give me up to the will of my adversaries, for false witnesses have risen against me, and they are breathing out violence.
- ¹³ I believe that I shall see the goodness of the LORD in the land of the living.
- ¹⁴ Wait for the LORD; be strong, and let your heart take courage; wait for the LORD!

Salmos 27 (RVR1995)

- ¹ Jehová es mi luz y mi salvación, ¿de quién temeré? Jehová es la fortaleza de mi vida, ¿de quién he de atemorizarme?
- ² Cuando se juntaron contra mí los malignos, mis angustiadores y mis enemigos, para comer mis carnes, ellos tropezaron y cayeron.
- ³ Aunque un ejército acampe contra mí, no temerá mi corazón; aunque contra mí se levante guerra, yo estaré confiado.
- ⁴ Una cosa he demandado a Jehová, ésta buscaré: que esté yo en la casa de Jehová todos los días de mi vida, para contemplar la hermosura de Jehová y para buscarlo en su Templo.
- ⁵ Él me esconderá en su Tabernáculo en el día del mal; me ocultará en lo reservado de su morada; sobre una roca me pondrá en alto.
- ⁶ Luego levantará mi cabeza sobre mis enemigos que me rodean, y yo sacrificaré en su Tabernáculo sacrificios de júbilo; cantaré y entonaré alabanzas a Jehová.
- ⁷ iOye, Jehová, mi voz con que a ti clamo! iTen misericordia de mí y respóndeme!
- 8 Mi corazón ha dicho de ti: «Buscad mi rostro.» Tu rostro buscaré, Jehová;
 9 ino escondas tu rostro de mí! iNo apartes con ira a tu siervo!
 iMi ayuda has sido! No me dejes ni me desampares, Dios de mi salvación.
- $^{f 10}$ Aunque mi padre y mi madre me dejen, con todo, Jehová me recogerá.
- ¹¹ Enséñame, Jehová, tu camino y guíame por senda de rectitud a causa de mis enemigos.
- ¹² No me entregues a la voluntad de mis enemigos, porque se han levantado contra mí testigos falsos y los que respiran crueldad.
- ¹³ Hubiera yo desmayado, si no creyera que he de ver la bondad de Jehová en la tierra de los vivientes.
- ¹⁴ iEspera en Jehová! iEsfuérzate y aliéntese tu corazón! iSí, espera en Jehová!



Responding to conflict in Ukraine

You can provide relief today

Russian military forces have invaded Ukraine by land, sea and air. Missiles have struck major cities and casualties continue to grow. MCC will be responding to the crisis through our local partners. Your donations and prayers will help partners scale up their work providing relief and trauma healing for vulnerable and displaced people.