

Restore Us, Oh God

Lent 2017

Lent Readings – Palm Sunday

Isaiah 50:4-9a; Psalm 31:9-16;
Philippians 2:5-11; Matthew 21:1-11

Our human society values status, power, wealth and success. God turn things upside down by becoming one of us, taking the role of a humble servant. In hope, we shout praise that God can deliver us, even while we ask, "Who is this?"

Our world is filled with many voices and distractions that call us away from God. As we near the end of the season of Lent, let us step back and find space and opportunities for reflection. Empty yourself from what distracts you and renew your commitment to God's voice.



Happy Birthday!



Keep these people in your prayers as they celebrate another year of life!

Contact the church office for a list of upcoming birthdays



Friendship Mennonite Church

April 9, 2017

Welcome
Opening Song
Call to Worship
Songs of Praise
Children's Moment
Scripture Reading: Philippians 2:5-11; John 12:12-16
Sermon: "Will We Let Go?" Brother Dan Hooley
Song of Response
Congregational Prayer of Confession
Offering
Announcements
Benediction

Visiting this week?

Welcome to Friendship Mennonite Church!

We are so glad you've joined us for worship! We hope you find a place to belong and consider joining us in God's mission. We are looking for people to join us who are interested in learning more about Jesus, becoming a disciple and finding out God's purpose in life!

Announcements

- **Prayers Requested** Please keep Karen and Bill Speight in your prayers this week as they continue to mourn the loss of Alice Patton, Karen's mother.
- **City Fresh** will be starting soon! City fresh is a weekly community supported agriculture (ie fruit and veggie) stand hosted at FMC on Wednesdays from June-August. This year we are looking for at least one more person to help us plan and connect with people in our community and in the day care. If you are interested, please see April Mather.
- **Maundy Thursday** On Thursday, April 13 at 6:30pm at the church we will be having a Tenebrae service, or service of shadows, to celebrate Maundy Thursday. Join us at 6:00 for a simple meal beforehand. All are invited.
- **Easter Breakfast** We will gather at 9:30 on Easter Sunday for our annual breakfast. Sign up on the sign up sheet in the lobby for a food to bring to share. See Nate Stehouwer with questions.
- **Worship Resourcing Seminar** Rachel Miller Jacobs will be the featured speaker at a Worship Resourcing Seminar at Sonnenberg Mennonite Church on Saturday, May 6. Cara Speros is planning on attending – please see her if you'd like to attend this seminar as well.
- **Aaron Ressler** has accepted a new job position in Norcross, Georgia and will be moving in the near future. Please keep Aaron in your prayers as he makes this transition and move!

Serving Our Church Today

Worship Leader: Nate Stehouwer *Song Leader:* Christina Stehouwer
Piano: Rhonda Savage *Usher:* Elizabeth Jones
Sunday School Nursery: Mary Wright *Greeter:* Mary Wright
Worship Nursery: Angela Thornton *A/V Team:* Eric Miller
Sunday Building Trustee: Speros Family

Serving Next Sunday

Worship Leader: Amy Gingerich *Song Leader:* Rhonda Savage
Usher: Todd Miller *Greeters:* Nate & Christina Stehouwer
SS Nursery: None today *Worship Nursery:* Maria Witmer-Rich
A/V Team: Ben Yoder *Sunday Building Trustee:* Gingerich Claassen Family

Looking Ahead

Thursday, April 13 Maundy Thursday Dinner and Service 6:00 pm
Sunday, April 16 Easter Breakfast 9:30 am
Saturday, May 6 Worship Resources Seminar

Giving for Last Sunday

Church Offering:
\$

Weekly Budget:
\$1463.00

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