Assembly Mennonite Church

September 10, 2017

***Jesus as our Companion***

*Jesus learns with us*

Welcome ~ Bienvenidos

Gathering

 SJ 27 *God of the Bible*

 Peace Lamp

Christ Candle (adapted from Mt. 14:27)

Because we are hungry, **in need of true bread**,

Because we are sick, **in need of healing**,

Because we are fearful, **in need of courage**,

We turn to you, Jesus Christ, our companion. Teach us to hear your voice, saying over and over, **“Take courage. I am here. Don’t be afraid.”**

Covenanting : Char Yoder

Offering

    SJ 8    *Somos pueblo que camina/We are people on a journey*

Children’s Time

 STS *37    Firstborn of Mary*

        Children 2 and under are invited across the hall for story time; 3 and older may gather at the front of worship for the story

Listening

 SJ 58 *Who has known the mind of Jesus*?

 Scripture – Matthew 15:21-28\*\*

 Sermon

Response

 SJ 53 *O God in heaven*

 Congregational sharing & prayers

Sending

 Announcements

             SJ 94    *Blest are they*

Serving in worship today: worship leader – Jena Kennedy; song leader – Mary Lehman Yoder; children’s message– Susan Mark Landis; sermon – Tom Kauffman; pastoral prayer- Karl Shelly; Covenanting- Lora Nafziger

\*\*Children's bulletins based on today's scripture for ages 3-6 and 7-12 are available at the back of the Worship Space along with crayons and markers.

2nd hour information:

**All are invited** in second hour to return to the sanctuary for a time of extended sermon response and sharing.

**College students** are invited to stay for second hour to meet with Lora Nafziger, one of Assembly's pastors, to enjoy some food together, and to discuss plans for the new school year in the Northwest side of multipurpose space.

Please remember to give any announcements to the worship leader during the service to read before sending at the end of first hour.

Sunday School classroom locations:

Infants: North Classroom (West side)

Toddler: Classroom off of Multipurpose space

Wee Wonder: Classroom beside church office

Pre-K: North Classroom (East side)

K: House across the street, South classroom

Gr 1: House across the street, North living room

Gr 2: Middle classroom, west side

Gr 3: Middle classroom, east side

Gr 4-5: South classroom, east side

Jr Youth: South classroom, west side

MYF: Room behind the kitchen

First time visitor? Outside of the worship space in the foyer you will find a podium where you can sign in and pick up a yellow Q and A handout.