Assembly Mennonite Church

April 8, 2018

Eastertide: “Friends of Jesus”

***Gathering***

Call to Worship (from Psalm 95)

 HWB 285 All hail the power of Jesus’ name

 Welcome and introduction to morning

 Peace Lamp

 L: God of Peace, you call us to be peace makers.

 As we light this lamp, remind us of our calling:

 **All:** To do justice, love mercy and walk humbly

 with You.

HWB 579 Lift every voice and sing

***Offering ourselves and our gifts***

Confession and Assurance

 Offering HWB 614 In the bulb there is a flower

 Parent/child dedication

 Oscar Quintana and Naomi Roots

 *Julian Oscar Quintana*

 Tristan and Mary Beechy-King

 *Atticus Tristan Shetler Beechy-King*

 Adam and Karen Graber Roth

 *Reuben Hisham Graber Roth*

 Jason and Lisa Kauffman

 *Roy Timothy Kauffman*

 **People:** Julian, Atticus, Reuben, and Roy, may God bless you and keep you. May the very face of God shine upon you and be gracious to you. May God's presence embrace you and give you peace. Amen

***Hearing God’s Word***

Children’s time

 Scriptures Acts 4:32-35

 John 20:19-31

 Sermon

***Responding to the Word***

HWB 570 We walk by faith

Sharing and Pastoral Prayer

 Welcoming visitors & Announcements

***Sending***

 Easter Anthem: The Lord is risen indeed

 (in back pocket of hymnal)

 Benediction

**2nd Hour** – Hymn Sing with an emphasis on Easter songs.

***The Privileges of the Child***

1. *To be in the midst of the congregation, not on the sidelines.*
2. *To wander among us during worship, being the responsibility of each of us.*
3. *To give answers during children’s time without being laughed at.*
4. *To be called by name by each adult.*
5. *To be a valued person in the congregation.*
6. *To be led to faith by the Christlike love, care, and model of each adult.*
7. *To be an active participant in worship.*

*Participants in worship this morning from group Well Seasoned:*

Worship Leader – Susan Nelson; Song Leader – Michael Miller; Peace Lamp – Kara Shields; Scripture Readers – Amy Kauffman and Dave Powell; Children’s story – Susan Mark Landis; Sermon – Tom Kauffman; Amen Corner -Ben Nelson, Kristine Regehr, Dennis Landis, Karen Powell; Parent/Child Dedication and Pastoral Prayer– Lora Nafziger