ORDER OF WORSHIP

Assembly Mennonite Church

March 27, 2022

Seeking God's Ways Together

Lent 4 -

"From Exceptionalism to Inclusion"



Gathering

Procession Song: With Astonishment Fear and Wonder (VT 579) Welcome & Call to Worship

Leader: Together we seek the way of God.

People: Rejoicing that we are beloved children of

God.

Leader: We demand what we think is ours.

People: But we know that all are welcome at the table.

Leader: Let us join the feast.

People: Where we will all celebrate.

All: Let us live out God's way of inclusion.

Praising

Song: Life-giver, Maker, God of All (VT 38)

Confessing (with Haiku)

Silence

Words of Assurance: Friends, take courage and be glad, because of God's good news:

The old has passed away. Behold, all things are made new!

Offering

Offering Song: Come Now, O Prince of Peace (VT 391) Offering Prayer:

Holy God, let us rejoice in what you have given us, and in what is ours to give.

Serving in worship: Worship Leader - Sean Smuts; Song Leader - Jeff Martin; Musicians - Bill & Marna Mateer, Leon Bauman, Patricia Nyuken, Mary Gilbert, Mary Lehman Yoder, Karen Graber Roth, Scott Hochstetler; Processional - Stefan Magatti & Caleb Yoder Schlabach; Dancers - Kathy Meyer Reimer & Michael Miller, John Glick & Linda Miller; Scripture - Becky Smuts; Children's time - Leon Bauman; Sermon - Jeanne Davies (from ADNet); Pastoral Prayer - Lora Nafziger

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Hearing

Children's Time with song "God's Ways are Higher than Ours" Liturgical Dance

Song: Will You Let Me Be Your Servant (VT 778)

(children & teachers are dismissed)

Scripture Reading: 2 Corinthians 5:16-21

Sermon

Song: Lord Jesus, Come and Overturn (VT 146)

Praying Together

Sharing our Common Life

Pastoral Prayer & Dance

Linda Schlabach Miller and John Glick will embody our sharings with a form of InterPlay called "Dancing on Behalf of."

InterPlay is an active, creative way to unlock the wisdom of the body.

It is based in a series of incremental "forms" that lead participants to movement and stories, silence and song, ease and amusement. In the process, we discover the wisdom in ourselves and our communities.

There are many things that cannot be held by one individual alone if we are to have health. When others play with our prayers, concerns, questions, and hopes and lift them up for us, surprises and relief can come. This "Dance on Behalf of" form is a way for this to happen in a direct and physical way.

Blessing and Sending

Welcoming Visitors & Announcements

Song: Sing a New World into Being (VT 809)

Benediction

Reconvene for Conversation with Jeanne Davies

Lent Sunday School Classrooms:

Infants (up to 2 yrs old) Classroom 2A
Two-year olds Classroom 9
Preschool Classroom 3A

K– 2nd grade Meet at North doors by bulletin board

 3^{rd} grade Classroom 2B 4^{th} & 5^{th} grade Multipurpose Space $6^{th} - 8^{th}$ grade (JYF) Classroom 3B $9^{th} - 12^{th}$ grade (MYF) Kitchen

HEARING ASSISTANCE

This worship space has two systems to help people with hearing loss participate more fully in our life together.

1. FM system. Get a receiver and an ear speaker from the sound booth.

2. Hearing Loop accessed by hearing aids with t-coils. Find a seat in the worship space and turn on the t-coils in your hearing aids. (You do not need a receiver or head phones.) Talk to someone in the sound booth if you are having issues receiving the signal.

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