# Assembly Mennonite Church What is a Neighbor? July 2, 2023

#### **Gathering and Praising**

VT 5 All People That on Earth Do Dwell Welcome/ Introduction & Birthday Recognition Call to worship

L: In the midst of coming and going from many places

P: We gather here in this place

L: Joining the praise of the summer's greening

P: We gather here in this place

L: Joining our stories with your Story

P: We gather here in this place

L: Open our voices to sing your praise and open our hearts to our neighbors

P: AMEN

VT 30 Jesus Calls Us

#### **Confessing and Receiving Forgiveness**

P: Trinity of Love, You are a community of love and you have made us in your image. You have commanded us to love you and our neighbors as ourselves. We confess we are often too busy, too suspicious, too annoyed, too depleted. We lay down these burdens. And we ask that you bless us and make us a blessing, however large or small.

Words of Assurance adapted from John O'Donohue

Peace Lamp

Passing the Peace

L: Beloved, let us love one another,

P: For God is love and love casts out fear

#### **Telling the Story**

Children's time

Children 3 and under are dismissed for Little Children's Time in Room 2, with childcare afterward. Those 4 and up are invited to the front.

Prayer of Illumination

Readings from Proverbs 27, Romans 14 and 15

Neighbor story

#### **Offering Ourselves**

Commissioning Peter & Kelly Shenk Koontz Offering, 2% Offering, Neighbor Challenge VT 754 *In My Life, Lord, Be Glorified* 

#### **Responding & Sharing our Stories**

Sharing & Pastoral Prayer

#### Sending

Introduction to visitors

Announcements (give announcements in writing to worship leader)
VT 832 The Lord Lift You Up

Benediction

Thanks to: Song Leader: Becky Overholt; Musicians: Patricia Nuyken; Children's time: Julie Keim; Scripture Reader: Rod Hanby & Jason Kauffman; Storyteller: Johanna Sutter; Commissioning: Lora Nafziger; Pastoral sharing and prayer: Scott Coulter; Tech Crew: Merle Baker, Ben Good-Elliott; Visuals: Alma Boyle, Mary Lehman Yoder and Karissa Miller

#### **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 headphones.) Talk to someone in the sound booth if you are having issues receiving the signal.

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#### 16th-century text:

- All people that on earth do dwell, sing to the Lord with cheerful voice.
   Him serve with mirth, his praise forth tell, come ye before him and rejoice.
- 2 Know that the Lord is God indeed. Without our aid he did us make. We are his flock, he doth us feed, and for his sheep he doth us take.
- 3 Oh, enter then his gates with praise. Approach with joy his courts unto. Praise, laud, and bless his name always, for it is seemly so to do.
- 4 For why? the Lord our God is good. His mercy is forever sure. His truth at all times firmly stood, and shall from age to age endure.

Text: based on Psalm 100; William Kethe (present-day Switzerland), Anglo-Genevan Psalter, 1561; adapt. Thomas H. Troeger (USA), 1992

Music: Louis Bourgeois (present-day France), Genevan Psalter, 1551

### Jesus Calls Us

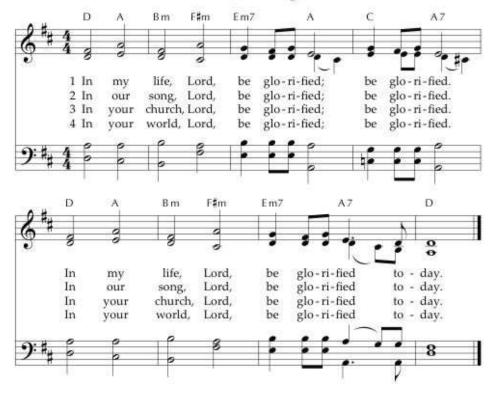


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### The Lord Lift You Up

