

Eastertide: Anabaptism at 500

Assembly Mennonite Church

May 25, 2025

Gathering

VT 1 *Summoned by the God Who Made Us*

Call to Worship

Welcome, Birthday Recognition

VT 390 *In Christ There Is No East or West*

Opening Ourselves

Peace Lamp

Let justice roll down like a river

And goodness like an ever-flowing stream.

Offering - VT 32 *God Welcomes All*

Telling God's Story

Children's time - *Those 3 and under are dismissed for Little Children's time, after which childcare is available.*

Scripture - Acts 1:3-8

L: The stories of God for the people of God

P: Thanks be to God

Sermon

Responding

VT 581 *Lord Jesus, You Shall Be My Song*

Sharing from our lives

Pastoral Prayer

Sending

Introducing Visitors & Announcements

VT 409 *For We Are Strangers No More (v. 3)*

Benediction

Thanks to: Worship Leader: Jep Hostetler; Song Leader: Becky Snider; Peace Lamp: Tobias Magatti; Scripture Reader: Brooke Rothshank; Children's Time: Meribeth Shank; Sermon: Henok Mekonin (AMBS); Pastoral Prayer: Anna Yoder Schlabach; Tech Crew: Sean Smuts, Ben Good-Elliott.

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Our speaker this morning is Henok Mekonin. Henok plays a key role in assisting AMBS administrators and faculty with communication and intercultural consulting for the Master of Arts: Theology and Global Anabaptism (MATGA) cohort program offered through AMBS's partnership with Meserete Kristos Seminary. Henok's home congregation is Nazreth Western Meserete Kristos, which is part of the Nazreth Regional Office. He is married to Misgana Eshete; they have two children.

Blessing of the Bicycles – after worship, we will gather by the bicycle racks to celebrate the annual ritual of the Blessing of the Bicycles. There will be bring-your-own-picnic (popsicles will be provided) after a brief ride around the block. And, people age 21+ are invited to join a 10-mile ride to Wedgwood Brewery in Middlebury.

HEARING ASSISTANCE

We have two systems for those with hearing loss: the FM system requires headphones from the sound booth, and the T-coil system which can be accessed through your hearing aid. Talk to the sound booth folks for help.



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