

SALEM MENNONITE CHURCH
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Mission Statement:

Salem Mennonite Church commits to hear and live God's call to be followers of Jesus Christ and to grow as a worshipping community of faith and reconciliation, where peace, joy and healing are experienced in the church and shared with others.

Thank you for silencing your cell phone.

EASTER SUNDAY

WE GATHER

Prelude - Reimer-Bergs
Hymn HWB 273 - Ruby Berg
Call to Worship & Invocation - Dave Engle
Hymns HWB 263, HWB 280, HWB 275

WE CONFESS

Prayer of Confession
Assurance of Pardon
Hymn HWB 274

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Message for Children ("Hide and Seek") - Debbie Pauls
Scripture 1 Corinthians 15:19-26
Luke 24:1-12
Message - Todd Lehman

WE RESPOND

Hymn of Response HWB 278
Offering - Pedro Olvera
Birthday Offering HWB 422
Sharing and Prayer ending with Lord's Prayer
(Respond with: "Lord, we thank you" / "Lord, hear our prayer")
(Responde con: "Senor, te damos gracias" / "Senor, escucha nuestra oracion")
(*"Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us"*)

WE GO FORTH

Closing Hymn HWB 280
Sending Words
Postlude - Reimer-Bergs
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Ushers Today - Karen Perez & Lois Oesch
Nursery Volunteers - Acostas
Nursery care (birth-4 years) is available during our Worship Service
Sound System - Hendrik Mobley

Pastor: Todd Lehman

Youth Leader: _____

SEKCC Coordinator: Sandy Smith

Education Hour: 9:30 a.m.

Worship: 10:45 a.m. (Dial-up: Ph#712-775-7031, Meeting ID 333-414-627)

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Education Hour: 9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

A warm welcome to all children and adults!

Early Childhood (2-5 years) - Room 2
Primary Class (Kindergarten-grade 2) - Room 4
Middler Class (grades 3-5) - Room 7
Junior Youth (grades 6-8) - Room 5
High School Youth (grades 9-12) - Youth Room
Adult Class 1: *Sacred Gifts & Holy Gatherings (T. Handrich)* - Fellowship Hall
Adult Class 2: (*Spanish*) - Room 3

Coffee Time: 10:30 a.m. - 10:45 a.m. (Fellowship Hall)

Volunteers - Lila Byers

THIS WEEK, March 27, 2016 – April 2, 2016

Today Happy Easter!
8:45 a.m. Easter Breakfast
No Sunday School
10:45 a.m. Worship Service (*message – Todd Lehman*)
Birthday Offering
Tuesday 6:45 a.m. Men's Breakfast at Busick Court
Wednesday 6:30 a.m. Women's Breakfast at Busick Court
9:00 a.m. Quilting (sack lunch)
7:00 p.m. Worship Committee meeting at church
Thursday 9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study
Friday 6:00 p.m. SE Keizer Community Center - Fellowship Hall
Sunday, April 3, 2016
Food Donation Sunday
10:30 a.m. Blood pressure checks in library
10:45 a.m. Worship Service (*message – Todd Lehman*)
6:30 p.m. MYF at TBA

Birthdays this week: Mary Beyler, Ben Dalgas, Chad Hochstetler,
Del Snyder, Leo Zook, Carl Snyder

FOR THE RECORD	March 20, 2016	Attendance: 98
General Offering	\$2,225	
Total received for March	\$8,103.14	
Monthly Challenge	\$16,587	
Shortage (as of Feb. 29)	\$3,125	

Food Donations Needed! Salem Mennonite Church is collecting NON-perishable food items (canned and otherwise) on the First Sunday of every month. During the offering on **April 3**, please bring your donations forward and place them in the blue barrel at the front of the sanctuary.

Please join the Fellowship Committee for a **Spring Hike at Shellburg Falls** on Sunday, April 24 following the service. Carpooling will be encouraged as space for parking is limited. Sack lunches are once again to be brought by participants. Come ready for a beautiful, less-crowded hiking experience.

Healthcare professionals, students, retirees! Register by April 15 for the Mennonite Healthcare Fellowship (MHF) **2016 Annual Gathering, June 17-19, 2016 at the YMCA of the Rockies, Estes Park, Colorado.** Theme: "Wholeness and Holiness: Views from the Mountaintop." Topics include the spirituality of illness, international healthcare, end of life ethics, public health, trauma, and gun violence. Vibrant worship, stimulating speakers, and a variety of workshops. Open to anyone interested, especially persons from medical, mental health, therapy, and chaplaincy professions, including students and retirees. Children and Youth Program provided. Register at www.mennohealth.org/gathering, email info@mennohealth.org, or call 1-888-406-3643 for a mailed brochure.

On April 3 we will begin a **four-week study of human sexuality**. The following is a brief description of what we will focus on during those four weeks:

- First week: **Our Bodies, God's Image...**God has created us as sexual beings: made in the image of God, male and female, and declared "very good". Healthy sexuality begins with celebrating our bodies as God's good creations.
- Second week: **Created for Intimacy...**God intends for all people -single, married, young, old, disabled, able-bodied - to experience relationships that are intimate and life-giving. We cultivate such relationships in family, friendship, and the faith community.
- Third week: **Honoring the Gift of Sex...**Sex is a good and sacred gift of God, designed for communion, procreation, creativity, and pleasure, and best expressed within a life-long covenant of mutual respect and equality. For single, celibate people, there are healthy ways to express sexual energy and fulfill needs for intimacy.
- Fourth week: **Holy Desires...**Sexual energy is deeply connected to our spiritual longings for communion with God. Sexual desires point to our ultimate desire to love and be loved by God.

Elder affirmation forms are due today. If you haven't already returned your form, please do so today and place it in the mailbox of either Bonnie H., Sheila, or Beth. *Thank you* also to those of you who participated in the "Gifts and Interests Survey". You have helped us in our discernment process!

#MennoLove ... get involved! Would you like to be part of Mennonite Church USA's new storytelling project, **Love is a Verb?** We're exploring the idea of love in action — highlighting stories of individuals, families, congregations, communities and agencies across Mennonite Church USA who are living out the transformative love of Christ all around them. Write for the Menno Snapshots blog, submit a feature story idea or congregational service snapshot, nominate a love song of the month, or tell us what you think "love is ... " at mennoniteusa.org/mennolove.

Our group subscription plan to "The Mennonite" is renewing.

Deadline to join our subscription or to renew your subscription is today. Cost per subscription is \$37, please make payments to Salem Mennonite Church with "The Mennonite" marked on the memo line.

Prayer Corner:

Mennonite Mission Network Prayer Request – March 27, 2016:

Mission Network requests prayer for Dan and Kathryn Smith Derksen and their sons, Jacob and John-Clair, as they begin an assignment in South Africa, working with Oscar Siwali, director of Southern Africa Development and Reconstruction Agency. Pray for their adjustment and their work with peace education and conflict transformation.

Empty toner cartridges are being collected for Drift Creek Camp. Please put them in the box in the foyer.

Campbell's Soup Labels are being collected for Western Mennonite School (please make sure to include the barcode). There is a box on the shelf above the coat racks off the foyer for the labels.

On the Bulletin Boards:

- Basic Alternative to Violence Project (AVP) WORKSHOP: APRIL 8 & 15, 2016 at Oregon State Penitentiary. Time: 7:30 am to 3:00 pm and 5:30 pm to 8:00 pm both days. FREE and OPEN TO THE PUBLIC. *Info: 503-371-6109*
- **Upcoming retreats at Drift Creek Camp:**
 - Women's Retreat (April 8-10, *guest speaker Marlene Bogard*)
 - Nature Camp for campers of all ages (April 29-May 1)

1 Corinthians 15:19-26 (NRSV)

¹⁹If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied. ²⁰But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died. ²¹For since death came through a human being, the resurrection of the dead has also come through a human being; ²²for as all die in Adam, so all will be made alive in Christ. ²³But each in his own order: Christ the first fruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. ²⁴Then comes the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, after he has destroyed every ruler and every authority and power. ²⁵For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. ²⁶The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

1 Corintios 15:19-26 (RVR1995)

¹⁹ Si solamente para esta vida esperamos en Cristo, somos los más dignos de lástima de todos los hombres. ²⁰ Pero ahora Cristo ha resucitado de los muertos; primicias de los que murieron es hecho, ²¹ pues por cuanto la muerte entró por un hombre, también por un hombre la resurrección de los muertos. ²² Así como en Adán todos mueren, también en Cristo todos serán vivificados. ²³ Pero cada uno en su debido orden: Cristo, las primicias; luego los que son de Cristo, en su venida. ²⁴ Luego el fin, cuando entregue el Reino al Dios y Padre, cuando haya suprimido todo dominio, toda autoridad y todo poder. ²⁵ Preciso es que él reine hasta que haya puesto a todos sus enemigos debajo de sus pies. ²⁶ Y el postrer enemigo que será destruido es la muerte,

Luke 24:1-12 (NRSV)

¹But on the first day of the week, at early dawn, they came to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared. ²They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, ³but when they went in, they did not find the body. ⁴While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them. ⁵The women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, "Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. ⁶Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, ⁷that the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners, and be crucified, and on the third day rise again." ⁸Then they remembered his words, ⁹and returning from the tomb, they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. ¹⁰Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to the apostles. ¹¹But these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. ¹²But Peter got up and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; then he went home, amazed at what had happened.

Lucas 24:1-12 (RVR1995)

¹ El primer día de la semana, muy de mañana, fueron al sepulcro llevando las especias aromáticas que habían preparado, y algunas otras mujeres con ellas. ² Hallaron removida la piedra del sepulcro ³y, entrando, no hallaron el cuerpo del Señor Jesús. ⁴ Aconteció que estando ellas perplejas por esto, se pararon junto a ellas dos varones con vestiduras resplandecientes; ⁵ y como tuvieron temor y bajaron el rostro a tierra, les dijeron: —¿Por qué buscáis entre los muertos al que vive? ⁶ No está aquí, sino que ha resucitado. Acordaos de lo que os habló cuando aún estaba en Galilea, ⁷ diciendo: "Es necesario que el Hijo del hombre sea entregado en manos de hombres pecadores, y que sea crucificado y resucite al tercer día." ⁸ Entonces ellas se acordaron de sus palabras, ⁹ y volviendo del sepulcro dieron nuevas de todas estas cosas a los once y a todos los demás. ¹⁰ Eran María Magdalena, Juana y María, madre de Jacobo, y las demás con ellas, quienes dijeron estas cosas a los apóstoles. ¹¹ Pero a ellos les parecían locura las palabras de ellas, y no las creyeron. ¹² Pedro, sin embargo, levantándose, corrió al sepulcro; y cuando miró dentro vio sólo los lienzos, y se fue a casa maravillándose de lo que había sucedido.