

Ridgeview Mennonite Church
3723 Ridge Road, Gordonville, PA 17529
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February 18, 2018

Called by God to learn and share together God's love with all creation

SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:00 AM

WORSHIP 10:15 AM

Worship Leader: Joanne Dietzel
Music: Shirley Nolt
Children's Time: Evie Hershey
Nursery: Nathan & Sarah Horst
Greeter: Evie Hershey

Lent 1

Me & You and the Creatures Too

An everlasting covenant is made between God (Me), the people (You), and every living creature. God's intention for relationship with the earth is inclusive and expansive, yet in our narrow-mindedness, we often exclude. How are we invited to expand our understanding to realize that all are included in God's covenant?

Prelude
Gathering Song
Welcome/Church at Work
Installation of Evie Hershey, Lay Minister of Mission
Meeting God in Silence
Call to worship

L: Welcome this day to the beginning of a journey.

P: Where will this journey take us?

L: It will take you to the Cross of Christ and beyond.

P: How much time do we have to get ready?

L: The time is now at hand for this journey.

P: Help us to be ready for this, O Lord.

L: The time has come; the kingdom of God draws near.

Repent and believe the good news.

P: We have come. We are here. We worship God together.

Congregational Singing

Receiving Our Tithes & Offerings

Children's Time

Confession

L: God of creation and salvation, too often we fear there is not enough, and we want to keep what there is for ourselves, including your love, so we build barriers.

P: We want to decide who's in or out, we fail to see the impact of our selfishness.

L: Help us to value all of your creation – the earth, air, water, and all living creatures, Both the tame and the wild – the way you do.

P: Thank you for your creativity in the world around us. Help us to preserve and not destroy it.

L: Forgive us for making your love too small.

P: Teach us to act with humility, grace, and mercy as we seek to make things right.

Scriptures: Psalm 25:1-10; Mark 1:9-15

Message: "Starting from Scratch" Genesis 9:8-17 Pastor Mick

Song of Response *Great is thy faithfulness* HWB 327

Church in Prayer

Benediction/Sending Song

THIS WEEK

Wed 7:00 a.m. Men's breakfast @ Amos' Place

9:00 a.m. Food Pac

COMING EVENTS

Mar 29 Thu Maundy Thursday service @ New Holland Mennonite

Mar 30 Fri Good Friday service @ Ridgeview

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THERE WILL BE FORMS in the classrooms and on the library counter to offer nominations for the position(s) of TCRC member (Team Congregation Relations Committee) and Lay Minister of Community Life. We invite those in Christian Education classes to discern together persons to nominate and submit them as a class. If you do not have opportunity to attend a class, you are invited to submit names as an individual. Nominations will be received until Sunday March 4.

THANK YOU for the \$400 donation we received from Ridgeview's church auction. Your support of the community fire company is appreciated. Intercourse Fire Company

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED...We need several volunteers who would be willing to be "Children's Activities Assistants." The job description includes being available when parents sign their children in and out of Sunday School, serving as a restroom attendant, and "floating" between the children's classrooms offering assistance as needed. The "Children's Activities Assistant" is important for maintaining compliance with Pennsylvania's Child Protection regulations. Please contact Kate or Debbie if you would be willing to serve in this important role.

THANK YOU, Ridgeview Mennonite Church, for giving \$6,375 to Mennonite Missions Network in 2017. Your donations, prayers, and enthusiastic participation play a vital role in our global church. Together, we were able to share a message of hope in a broken world.

NURSERY HELP NEEDED...We need more nursery helpers during the worship hour on Sunday mornings. If you are interested, please contact Melissa Siegrist. Child protection clearances are required. If you have not obtained your clearances, talk to Debbie Denlinger or Kate Sommers.

REPORT FOR February 11

Offering \$5,334.67 Attendance 90

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