

Shalom Mennonite Church

July 20, 2014

Pentecost + 6

And he dreamed... Genesis 28:12a

Gathering in God's Presence

Welcome & Special Announcements

Jeremy Kindy

Gathering Music & Procession

We carry in a flame, the Bible and a prayer cloth. May we trust the Light to guide us, the Word to teach us, and prayer to knit our lives together with God as we begin our time of worship.

Call to Worship (based on Psalm 139)

Great God of shalom, as we gather together to worship you, we are comforted by the knowledge that we have no surprises for you.

We gather to offer you our joyful praise

Nurturing God, even though you know us so well, you choose to lead us along the path to everlasting life.
We gather to offer you our heartfelt thanks.

Understanding God, you gather us to yourself so that we may worship you in love and joy. You accept us as we are, and you love us.

Loving God, your nature is eternal love, and we gather together to share that love with others. Amen.

- Joan Stott

Invocation

Opening Hymn HWB 117

Fairest Lord Jesus

Proclaiming the Word

Gospel Reading

Matthew 13: 24-30, 36-43

Hymn HWB 89

For the beauty of the earth

Children's Time

Sarah Kaufman

Old Testament Scripture

Genesis 28: 10-19a

Quiet Reflection

The periods of silence will begin and end with the ringing of a chime.

Sermon

"Dream On"

Rob Burdette

Quiet reflection

Responding to the Word

Hymn of response HWB 356

Breathe on me, breath of God

Offertory and Prayer

Commissioning of Wes Goodrich for Mennonite Voluntary Service at Tuscon, AZ.

Sharing Time and Introductions

During this time in the service we welcome visitors, invite responses to the worship service, and share prayer concerns and joys. Please sign the Welcome Pages (black books) in the pews so we can learn each others' names.

Prayers of the People

Sending Song HWB 418

Move in our midst

Benediction

Hearing devices are available from an usher or the sound booth.

Standing with Jacob

“Perhaps the most important thing we bring to another person is the silence in us, not the sort of silence that is filled with unspoken criticism or hard withdrawal. The sort of silence that is a place of refuge, of rest, of acceptance of someone as they are. We are all hungry for this other silence. It is hard to find. In its presence we can remember something beyond the moment, a strength on which to build a life. Silence is a place of great power and healing.”

– Rachel Naomi Remen, 21st century



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Greeters: Anita & Stan Bohn, Connie & Kevin Regier

Musicians: Yvonne Bontrager, Rachel Epp Buller, Daniel Buller,

Josue Coy Dick, and Diego Coy Dick

Sound & Closing: Tim Buller

Bulletin Cover: Chagall, Marc, 1887-1985. Jacob's Dream, from Art in the Christian Tradition.

Pastor: Sara Dick

Transitional Pastor: Rob Burdette

Administrative Assistant: Grace Wenger

Church Moderator: Barth Hague

Our purpose is to worship and praise God together, to pray for and encourage each other to live our covenant with God and to share Christ's good news with others. As Anabaptist Christians we will reach out to others, welcome all people, be aware of our neighbors and respond to their needs, and give ourselves to service.

9:30 am - Sunday School 10:45 am - Worship
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