

Shalom Mennonite Church

March 13, 2016

Lent 5 An Unexpected Twist

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

Gathering in God's Presence

Welcome

Joe Smucker

Gathering Music and Processional

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 Isaiah 43

The Lord is doing a new thing:

The Lord makes a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert!

The Lord forms us as a people
and we declare God's praise!

The Lord has done great things for us!
And we rejoice!

Prayer

Hymn HWB 110

Oh, for a thousand tongues to sing

Proclaiming the Word

Children's Time

Rachel Ringenberg Miller, Chris Dick, Christine Crouse-Dick

Nursery care for young children is available through the end of the service.

Scripture Reading

John 12:1-8

Scripture passages are read in English and Spanish to reflect the community in and around Shalom.

Hymn STJ 27

God of the Bible

Confession

God of all who thirst,
our hearts are parched from wandering in deserts
far from your life-giving springs.
Call us to your well.
Fill our cups with your grace.
Let your love overflow in our hearts,
and make us fully alive. AMEN.

Assurance

Quiet Reflection

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

Sermon

Sara Dick

Quiet Reflection

Responding to the Word

Ritual of Response:

Hymn STJ 65

Let justice flow like streams

Gathering our Gifts

Sharing Time and Introductions

During this time in the service we welcome visitors, invite responses to the worship service, hear about the work of our Ministry Teams, and share prayer concerns and joys. Please sign the Welcome Pages (black books) in the pews so we can learn each other's names.

Prayers of the People

Going Forth to Serve

Sharing Our Joyful Work

Hymn HWB 609

Awake, my soul

Benediction

Welcoming Statement for Shalom Mennonite Church

We embrace all people in the name of Christ. Everyone is a unique creation in the image of God. We are an open and affirming congregation that seeks to follow Jesus. We welcome into full participation in the life and ministry of the church, people of every race, immigration status, culture, age, gender identity, sexual orientation, ability, education, economic status, and life situation. We welcome diverse perspectives as we gather around God's table together.

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9:30 am – Sunday School

10:45 am – Worship

Upcoming Services

March 20 – Lent 6 The Plot Thickens: **Sara Wenger Shenk**, president of Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary, will be our guest preacher.

March 24 – Maundy Thursday Service including a meal, footwashing, and communion begins at 6 pm.

March 27 – Easter Sunday join us for sunrise service at 7 am, breakfast potluck at 9 am, and worship at 10:45 am with **Rachel Ringenberg**

Miller preaching on John 20:1-8.

April 3 – Holy Humor Sunday

Greeters: Chuck & Cindy Regier, Bob & Yvonne Bontrager, Lola Schmidt

Nursery Workers: David Kaufman, Tessa Preheim

Musicians: Merle Schlabaugh, Karen Schlabaugh

Spanish Scripture Reader: Emily Kerbs

Visual Arts: Jason Miller

Sound & Closing: Jeffrey Gruber

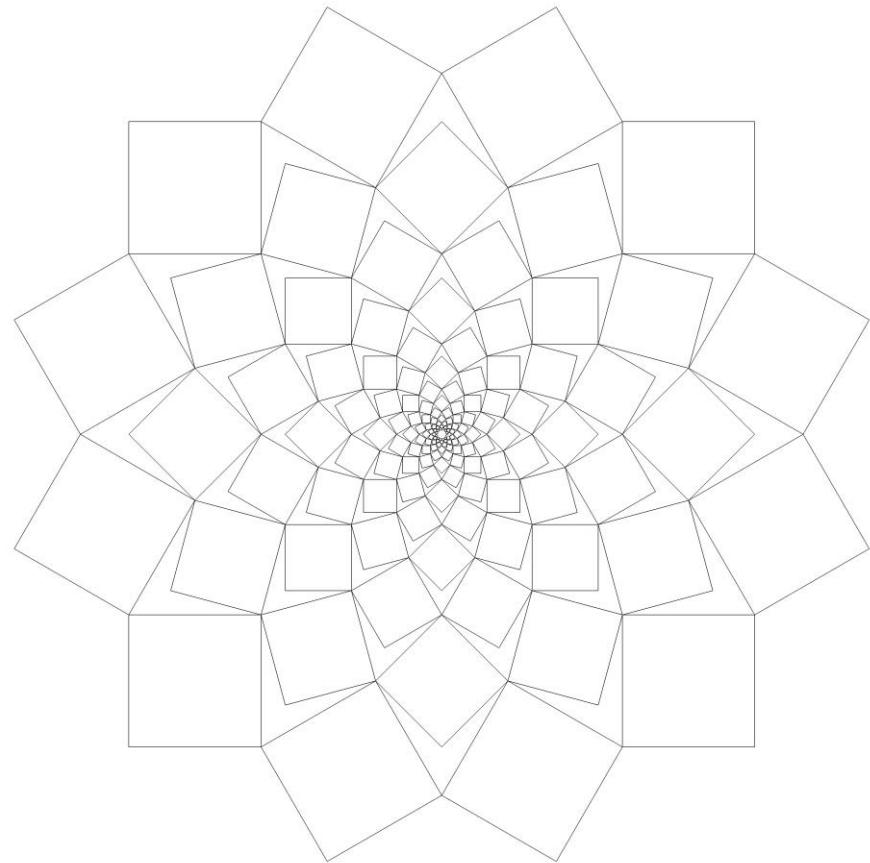
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