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A New Road of Life

May 21, 2023

First Mennonite Church Hutchinson KS

OPENING TO GOD'S PRESENCE

Prelude

Welcome

CALL TO WORSHIP

...written by Christine Longhurst*

We've come to worship God,
who makes streams flow from rock,
who turns the parched earth into springs of water,
who sends the rain from heaven
and makes the wilderness blossom and flourish.

**AS THE DEER THIRSTS FOR FLOWING STREAMS,
SO WE THIRST FOR YOU, O GOD.**

Come, let's worship our life-giving God,
who pours out living water on all who thirst.

HYMN *Lord, I Am Fondly* VT 555

Passing the Peace & Fellowship Greeting

Lighting the Peace Lamp & Praying for the Peace of Christ

Peace Essay: Lucia Nisly (2016)

HYMN *True Evangelical Faith* VT 439

LISTENING TO GOD'S STORY

Children's Time

Scripture Reading *Romans 6:1-14 (The Message)*

Sermon *Dead to Sin - Alive in Christ*

Music for Meditation

SHARING OUR STORIES

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer

Recognition of High School & College Graduates

Gratitude for Sunday School Teachers

Announcements

SENDING

HYMN *From the Waters I Will Rise* VT 442

Benediction

Postlude ... remain seated to receive the postlude as a musical blessing.

Coffee, tea and juice will be served in the Common Grounds room today. Sunday School classes meet as usual at 11:00am.

Your offerings are received, with gratitude, in the offering box on the table at the back of the sanctuary.

You can also now donate electronically on our website.

Sound: Earl Ediger
Livestream: Jay Gehring
Nursery Attendants: Adam & Maggie Pounds
Ushers: Glenda & Rick Hooper
Organist: Pauline Buller
Guitar: Magdalena Wenger
Worship Leader: Anita Kehr
Scripture Reader: Jean Gaeddert
Peace Essay: Calvin or Andrea Nisly
Children's Time: Lona Willems
Sermon, Song Leader: Pastor Tonya Ramer Wenger

Welcome!

We are so glad you are here!!



Deepening



Strengthening



Stretching



Faithfully
Stewarding

COMING UP...

Join the Adult Discussion Class in the fellowship hall (or on Zoom) today to continue watching the third webinar in the “*Beyond Incarceration*” webinar series from Mennonite Central Committee and Mennonite Church USA. The third webinar is titled “*CREATE: How do we imagine and bring about alternative systems?*” All are welcome to join in the learning and discussion prompted by these webinars.

PRISONER CARE KITS for men in HUTCHINSON CORRECTIONAL FACILITY

MCC is partnering with OVM to distribute prisoner care kits to indigent men at Hutchinson (KS) Correctional Facility. OVM Executive Director Todd Lehman explains, “*In our current work at HCF, we routinely hear how much it means to the inmates simply to know that someone is thinking about them. The care kits will provide so much more for the indigent inmates than the products in the kit; the kits will be a tangible reminder that they are loved and that they matter.*” The greatest needs are deodorant, lotion, and toothpaste. A complete list is posted on the basket under the table in the foyer – please place your donations there.

“Fire Keeper” – join with others at FMC to make a \$1,000 contribution to Camp **Mennoscah!** Camp is honoring a \$100,000 matching gift by inviting us to contribute to their M&M Project (Mission and Maintenance). Contact Bonnie Swenson for more information.



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