



# SEEKING PEACE TOGETHER

**Peace With Others:**  
***Isaac and His Neighbors***  
**Peacemakers sometimes**  
**walk away from conflict**

**July 23, 2023**

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## OPENING TO GOD'S PRESENCE

*The chime is rung as a call to worship, to set aside distractions to find rest in God, who invites us here.*

Prelude

Welcome

### CALL TO WORSHIP

**One:** God makes room for us here, in this broad space of worship.

**Many:** Room for our questions and room for our confidence.

**One:** Room for our joy and room for our grief.

**Many:** Room for our fear and room for our generosity.

**One:** Room for ourselves and room for each other.

**Many:** Let us receive God's blessing of this spacious place.

**ALL:** LET US WORSHIP TOGETHER IN FAITH.

Prayer

HYMN *Come, Thou Fount* VT 563  
Passing the Peace & Fellowship Greeting

## TELLING GOD'S STORY

HYMN *Great is Thy Faithfulness* VT 419  
Scripture Reading *Genesis 26:12-33* (The Message)

Children's Time

HYMN *Come and Fill Our Hearts* VT 52  
Sermon  
Music for Meditation

## SHARING OUR STORIES

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer  
Announcements

## LIVING GODS' STORY

HYMN *You Are Salt For the Earth* VT 297  
Benediction  
Postlude ... *receive the postlude as a musical blessing*

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# Welcome!

We are so glad you all are here!!

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The Christ Candle and Peace Lamp are lit each Sunday as a visible sign of our trust in God's presence-with-us, and our commitment to allow the peace of Christ to grow and rule in our hearts, minds and lives.

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*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.*

*Thank you for your generosity shown in many ways!*

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Sound: Murray Reimer  
Livestream: Jonathan Wenger  
Nursery Attendant: Stephanie Gehring  
Ushers: Susan Combs, Joretta Martens  
Pianist: Shelley Kauffman  
Worship Leader: Maggie Pounds

**TODAY:** Fellowship time following worship. Sunday School for preschool-grade 6 begins at 11:00am. Youth, check in with Jonathan Wenger . (Next month's Sunday school dates are August 6 and 20.)

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**IMPORTANT UPDATED INVITATION FOR LightHouse:**

Thanks for all the donations for the food pantry at LightHouse!

Here is an updated invitation for items to donate:

- laundry soap (pods only)
- games and puzzles for the common room
- kitchen small appliances (like blender or waffle maker) - doesn't have to be new
- simple art and craft supplies like markers, drawing pads, tape, colored pencils

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!**

**August 13** – Back to School Blessing of the Backpacks

**August 27** – Celebration of Communion in Worship

**October 29** – FMC's Budget Meeting

**December 3** – FMC'S Annual Meeting



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