



# Peace Sunday

***Kintsukuroi:* The broken vessel is often more beautiful than the original.**

September 22, 2024

***The Japanese tradition of kintsukuroi creates (or recreates) pottery from broken pieces. Damaged vessels are put back together, often with gold binding, to create a useful object once again. The new piece tells a story about the past and is infused with glory that is greater than the former, as in Haggai 2:9.***

*Mennonite World Conference (MWC) Peace Commission*

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## CREATING GOD, GATHER US IN...

*...the chime is an invitation to lean, in trust, into God's presence.*

**Prelude**

**Opening Words (*Philippians 1:2-6*)**

**Call to Worship\***

L: O God, who called all life into being,

**ALL: THE EARTH, SEA AND SKY ARE YOURS.**

L: Your presence is all around us;

**ALL: EVERY ATOM IS FULL OF YOUR ENERGY.**

L: Your Spirit enlivens all who walk the earth;  
ALL: **WITH HER WE YEARN  
FOR JUSTICE TO BE DONE,**  
L: for creation to be freed from bondage,  
ALL: **FOR THE HUNGRY TO BE FED,**  
L: for captives to be released,  
ALL: **FOR YOUR KINGDOM OF PEACE  
TO COME ON EARTH! AMEN**

**Welcome!**

**HYMN** *God of Grace and God of Glory* VT 716  
**Passing the Peace of Christ & Fellowship Greeting**

## **WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD TO US**

**HYMN** *In the Quiet Curve of Evening* VT 587

**Praying for Peace**

**HYMN** *May the Peace of Christ* VT 843

**Children's Time**

**Scripture Reading** *Haggai 2:9; 2 Corinthians 4:7*

**Sermon**

**Music for Meditation**

**Bible Dedication**

## **WE SHARE OUR STORIES**

**Prayers of the People** (*with The Lord's Prayer*)

**Announcements**

## **WE LEAVE TO LIVE OUT GOD'S STORY**

**HYMN** *Nothing is Lost on the Breath of God* VT 653

**Benediction**

**Postlude**

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\***Call to Worship:** Sing the Journey #133

\*\***Prayer for Peace:** from Mennonite World Conference Peace Sunday resources

If you need a hearing assist device, please ask at the sound booth in the back of the sanctuary.

The Nursery is typically staffed with a volunteer care provider during worship (and Sunday School as needed). Children are also welcome to remain in the sanctuary! Worship bags with drawing/coloring materials are provided at the back of the sanctuary.

If you'd like to be added to our all-church email list to receive prayer requests and announcements (typically 2 emails/week), please contact the church office or Pastor Tonya.

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Sound: Murray Reimer  
Livestream: Jonathan Wenger  
Ushers: Don Wiens & Russell Goering  
Nursery: Russell & Julie Goering  
Organist: Pauline Buller  
Guitarist: Magdalena Wenger  
Worship & Song Leader, Bible Dedication: Pastor Tonya Ramer Wenger  
Scripture Reader: Judy Langley  
Children's Time: Santalena Caudillo  
Sermon: Pastor Jim Unruh

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# Welcome!

## *We are so glad you are here!*

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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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### TODAY:

- **Fellowship** with drinks in Common Grounds Room
- **Classes for children and youth**
- **Adult Sunday School Opportunities**
  - ***Salt & Light Bible Study*** meets in Adult SS room in the basement.
  - ***Connection & Conversation*** meets in the library to discuss themes from worship/sermon
  - ***Adult Discussion*** meets in the fellowship hall (also on zoom); discussion of Mennonite World Conference Transmission series

### LOOKING AHEAD:

- **Sept 25 @ 1:00pm: Fall book study begins. Contact church office.**
- **Sept 26 - Pastor Congregation Relations Committee.** Feel free to share affirmations/concerns/questions with Peggy Stucky, Kevin Martin-Nisly or Adam Pounds.
- **Sept 28: FMC serves at the Soup Kitchen** (volunteer on the signup sheets across from the mailboxes)
- **Sept 29: 10:45am Safe Sanctuaries Training**  
**NOON Church Potluck/Picnic @ Herman Bunte Park**
- **Oct 2: Pastor Tonya's Day Apart** – no office hours (change of date)
- **Church workday is changing date.** Stay tuned for details.

**BETHEL COLLEGE FALL FEST** . . . October 4-6. Events and opportunities here

<https://www.bethelks.edu/event/fall-fest-2024/>

**Bethel College Women's Association fundraiser** – inviting donations of baked goods and craft items! Deliver to the Music Library in Luyken Fine Arts Center from 1 - 5 p.m. on Friday, October 4.

**Sat., Oct. 5 – Sarah Augustine address, 2 p.m.**, Kidron Hall at Kidron Bethel Village. **Sun., Oct. 6, 9:30 a.m.**, at Bethel College Mennonite Church, and **Mon., Oct. 7, convocation** in Krehbiel Auditorium Fine Arts Center.

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