Membership and Church Practices:

If you are interested in membership at Chapel Hill Mennonite Fellowship, or if you have questions about church practices such as communion, baptism and reconciliation, please talk with one of our deacons:

Michael Lee

Thomas Lehman Tana Liu-Beers Nick Plummer

From the Deacons:

As we continue to feel the stresses of life and the pandemic, please speak to a deacon if you need financial assistance to access individual or family therapy services. And let us know how we can pray for you or support you in other ways.

Communication Information:

For church-related communications, please subscribe to our **email** list.

To sign up, contact Nick Plummer.

Our website has more information about our faith and worship, as well as the text of previous sermons: https://chapelhillmennonite.org.

Please direct all other questions to chmennonite@gmail.com.

Relationships:

Chapel Hill Mennonite Fellowship is a member of Central District Conference, a regional conference of Mennonite Church USA.

Our congregation is a member of the NC Council of Churches, which supports efforts in our state to care for our neighbors. Links to follow these efforts can be found at www.ncchurches.org. This congregation contributes to the Inter-Faith Council of Chapel Hill and Open Table Ministry of Durham.

Our congregation is also a member of the Supportive Communities Network, an LGBTQ-led Brethren-Mennonite association of congregations. Details on the SCN can be found here: http://www.bmclgbt.org/scn.shtml

Chapel Hill Mennonite Fellowship

February 5, 2023



Song Leader: Tom Lehman Worship Leader: Sidney King Sermon: Melissa Florer-Bixler Childcare: Chris Liu-Beers, Eric Hochstetler Snacks: Jolley/VanderLinde

Gathering for Worship

Call to worship (based on Matthew 5)

L: We are called to bring a new understanding of God: that God so loves the world.

All: We are the salt of the earth.

L: We are called to bring a new hope in God:

that God gives us new life.

All: We are the light of the world.

L: Come, let us be the salt of the earth,

the light of the world.

All: Let us join together in our love of God

to worship and follow Jesus.

Invocation Sidney King

Gathering hymns

Tom Lehman

#776 "Teach my Thy Truth" #717 "Renew your church"

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Proclaiming the Word

Congregational Prayer Mary Jo Lehman

Isaiah 58:1-9a Psalm 112:1-9

Hymn #297 "You are salt for the earth" *

1 Corinthians 2:1-12 Matthew 5:13-20

Sermon "Salt and light" Melissa Florer-Bixler

Responding to the Word

Hymn #841 "As you go out from here"

Congregational response, sharing and prayer

Rebecca Rich

Introductions and announcements

Offering (hymn 776, "God, we pause this moment)

Sending hymn #505 "All praise to Thee, my God" Benediction

*Children who have not yet started kindergarten are welcome to meet at the entrance doors for childcare at this time.

Next Week

Offering

Plan: Rebecca Rich

Songs: Mary Jo Lehman Prayer: Zach Yordy

Sharing: Michael Lee Sermon: hymn sing Snacks: Yordys

Childcare: Laura Rosenberger, Sarah Marks, Nora Plummer

Announcements

Pastoral Search: Isaac Villegas concluded pastoral ministry at CHMF in May 2022. The church has created a Pastoral Search Committee to find a replacement. Search committee members include Kathy Roberts (chair), Steve Jolley, Erin Mullaney, Zach Yordy, and Rebecca Rich. They will regularly update and involve the congregation at appropriate times in the process. Please contact any of us with ideas or questions.

Scriptures

Psalm 119:1-8

1 Corinthians 3:1-9

Matthew 5:21-37

Deuteronomy 30:15-20

Participate: CHMF encourages any regular attendee to participate in the service. We have rotating worship planners, song leaders, preachers, prayer leaders, response/sharing leaders, scripture readers, and childcare volunteers. If you would like to be added to one or more of these lists, please contact Aspen Yordy, interim coordinator. We would welcome your help with worship.

Tithes and Offerings: We collect our offerings on the first Sunday of the month. After that, checks may be mailed to our treasurer, Steve Jolley.

<u>Calendar</u>

February

3-5—Youth ski trip

5—Offering

12—Sunday School

19—Sunday School

22-Ash Wednesday service and potluck, Lehman's home,

1824 S. Lakeshore Drive, Chapel Hill

26-First Sunday of Lent; potluck and table topics