

## **Sermon on the Mount Mennonite Church**

Worship Guide for Oct. 28, 2018 "Mennonite Heritage Sunday"

**Light the Peace Lamp:** We light the peace lamp weekly as a reminder that there is violence and suffering in the world. As a faith community we pray for peace and act for peace.

### **Call to Worship:**

(Note: This call to worship consists of the first and last stanzas of a son attributed to Balthasar Hubmaier: an Anabaptist leader in Austrian and Moravia who was burned at the stake in Vienna in 1526).

Leader: Rejoice, rejoice, ye Christians all, And break forth into singing!

People: Since far and wide on every side The Word of God is ringing.

Leader: And well we know, no human foe Our souls from Christ can sever;

People: For to the base, and (those) of grace, God's Word stands sure forever.

Leader: Praise God, praise God in unity, Ye Christian people sweetly,

People: That he his Word has spread abroad—His Word, his work completely.

Leader: No human hand can him withstand, No name how high soever.

People: And sing we then our glad Amen! God's Word stands sure forever.

**Invocation:** #696 HWB

**Hymn:** "Our Father God, Thy Name We Praise" HWB # 32

### **Memorization of Scripture**

**Offering:** "God, Whose Giving" HWB #383

**Scripture Readings:** All readings focus on the importance of the Word of God

Old Testament: Psalm 119:1-16,105

Epistle: II Timothy 3:14-17

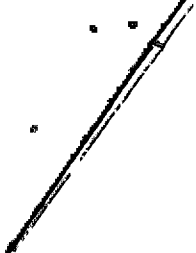
Gospel: Matthew 7:24-27

**Hymn:** "Lord, You Sometimes Speak" HWB #594

**Meditation:** "An Anabaptist Approach to the Bible" adapted from Dale R. Schrag  
"Anabaptists and the Bible: From Sola Scriptura to Sola Christus" *Mennonite Life* 44 (September 1989):  
12-18

### **Response to Meditation**

### **Sharing and Prayer Time**



**Hymn:** "I Sing With Exultation" HWB # 438 (Note: The hymn of response to the sermon is attributed to Felix Mantz, the first person martyred as an Anabaptist when he was drowned at Zurich on Jan. 5, 1527).

**Closing Word:**

Note: attributed to Annelein of Freiberg, who was drowned and then burned in 1529.

Leader: Be comforted you Christians and rejoice,  
Through Jesus Christ forevermore,  
Who gives us love and faith.

People: God comforts us through his holy word,  
On that we should rely.

**Benediction:** Guide us, O Lord, by your Word and Holy Spirit, that in your light we may see light, in your truth find freedom, and in your will discover peace, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. AMEN

Share signs of peace with one another as you depart.

## Announcements

Potluck today after the service. All are invited to stay and enjoy. Business meeting to follow the meal.

Next Sunday is the last Sunday for the Food Drive. Please bring contributions by then.

Nov. 4 and 11 there will be lunch at church after the worship service followed by a Visioning Process Workshop both Sundays led by Sharon Waltner.

Pray for the Conflict Management Support Team as they meet on November 2-3 to welcome new members on the team and to plan for upcoming mediation skills training workshops within Central Plains Conference.