

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

## **Sunday, Feb. 23, 2020**

**Prelude:** Dennis

**Peace Lamp:** We light this peace lamp as a symbol of prayer and action for peace in this world.

**Welcome and Invocation:**

God of the widow and the stranger,  
you are made known in our Savior Jesus Christ.  
Born as a migrant,  
exiled as a refugee,  
he knew the pain of homelessness  
but taught his friends the meaning and challenge of love.  
Lead us as we build communities  
rooted in hospitality and justice. Amen.

**Hymn:** "Helpless and Hungry" SS #26

**Scripture:** "Remember the Immigrant" (slide); Romans 12:9-21

**Message:** "Stories of Asylum Seekers and Those Who Helped Them"- Cheryl

**Hymn:** "We Are Strangers No More" HBW #322

**Sharing our Joys/Concerns in Prayer:**

**Offering/Offertory:** Dennis  
**Prayer**

**Announcements:** (see the back side)

**Hymn:** "Somos El Barco"

**Benediction:**

Go in peace and grace. And may God lift up new possibilities before us, the face of Christ be seen in our neighbors and the Spirit lead us into the celebration of a new community. Amen.

**Share the Peace of Christ with each other.**

**Reading List: Maria Padilla says people should read "The Devil's Highway" a true story  
by Luis Alberto Urrea**

Books Cathy Scandrett has loaned us for all of you to read. So feel free to take a book, read it, and return it for someone else to read. The following books are available:

1. "The End of the Myth" by Greg Grandin
2. "Standing on Common Ground" by Geraldo L. Cadava
3. "Tell Me How it Ends" by Valeria Luiselli
4. "The Beast" by Oscar Martinez
5. "Cutting for Sign" by William Langewiesche
6. "The Line Becomes a River" by Francisco Cantu
7. "The Devil's Highway" by Luis Alberto Urrea
8. "Solito, Solita" by Steven Mayers and Jonathan Freedman

## **Announcements**

**Today, Feb. 23:** Everyone is welcome to stay for the potluck lunch after worship, followed by congregation meeting

**Feb. 24:** : P2 Peace & Prayer group, 7:30 at SMMC

**Mar. 1:** 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent

**Mar. 1:** Movie-"The Bible" part 2 at Ensz's following worship around 12:30, pizza will be provided, let them know if are coming.

**Wed., Mar. 11:** Kate Widmer is listed in the March Prayer Vine to receive prayers as she begins work with the Mennonite church in Montbeliard. Also, a nice article is written in the MMN News. (See fellowship hall table)

**June 18-21:** Central Plains Mennonite Conference Annual Meeting in the Twin Cities.

**July 11:** SD MCC Relief Sale in Pioneer Hall on the Freeman Academy Campus. Are you planning on making an auction item? Can SMMC put together a basket for the Silent Auction? Marilyn has some ideas.