



Sermon on the Mount Mennonite Church Worship
Sunday, April 25, 2021
“Putting Faith Into Action”

Prelude: “Creation is a Song/Ho’e enemeohe”

VT # 181

Lighting the Peace Lamp

Call to Worship:

(Psalm 23, 1 John 3:16-24)

Adapted from a Call to Worship written by Thom Shuman, [Lectionary Liturgies](#).

Day by day, God leads us:

**to the deep, deep pools of peace,
to the rivers and waters of grace.**

Day by day, Jesus calls us:

**to pour out ourselves in service,
to anoint the stranger with hope.**

Day by day, the Holy Spirit shows us:

**the community we could be,
the family we are called to become.**

Hymn: “Touch the Earth Lightly”

VT # 145

Scripture: 1 John 3:1, 16-24

Message: “Solidarity With Indigenous Land Defenders and Water Protectors”

CPT is providing faith communities with worship resources that they hope will foster greater understanding and engagement with Indigenous Land and Water Defense movements.

Hymn: “For the Healing of the Nations”

VT # 705

Prayer of Confession

By Jennifer Henry

Gracious and loving God,
forgive us for what we have done
and what we have left undone
in our country's journey with Indigenous peoples.

Our failure to live up to the treaties,
to live up to the dignity of all peoples,
to live up to your dreams of justice,
has created a deep rupture in our nation
and a deep wound in our hearts.

Bring us a change of heart, a renovated will,
and a deepened resolve for a renewed and hopeful future.
With your enabling and empowering love,
help us begin to live in honor and mutual respect.

Write this covenant of right relations on each of our hearts,
and through the power of your Spirit,
make it an enduring bond of love and justice.

In the name of the One who loved every person,
every creature, into being, we pray.
Amen.

Sharing offering/Joys/Prayer Concerns

Hymn: "Beauty of Brokenness"

VT # 712

Announcements

Benediction: Written by Weldon Nisly (CPT)

May the Triune God of the Risen Christ and Holy Spirit
send you forth as God's blessed and holy people
to act justly
love tenderly
and walk humbly with God
in all that you are and do.
Amen

