Prayers and Praises

Mennonite Mission Network Mark and Mary Hurst of Mennonite Mission Network serve as resource people and pastors with the Anabaptist Association of Australia and New Zealand. Pray for them as they build relationships with people seeking God and a way of living that centers on Jesus' justice and shalom.

VMMissions: Lift up Dave and Rebekka Stutzman as they continue to build meaningful relationships with their neighbors in Germany. Pray for wisdom when they have opportunities to give counsel and provide support.

Pray for the local services for people in need: Love Inc., Shelter for Help in Emergency, Food Bank, Salvation Army, IMPACT – a justice ministry and PACEM- the initiative for the homeless.



701 Monticello Ave. Charlottesville, VA 22901 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Worship Service Pastors: Roy & Maren Hange Ph. (434) 293-8306 Email:cvillemenno@gmail.com www.charlottesvillemennonite.org



Lent 1: The courage to covenant February 18, 2018

Gathering in God's presence

Pre-service music Call to Worship

Leader: The time has come;

the kingdom of God draws near. Repent and believe the good news.

People: We have come.

We are here.

We worship God together.

Opening Prayer

Hymns You've Got A Place STJ 4

Crown Him With Many Crowns HWB 116

Noticing God's presence

Children's story

Confession

Hymn Come, Gracious Spirit HWB 303 Scripture Genesis 9:8-17; 1 Peter 3:18-22, Mark 1:9-15

Sermon

Hymn Create In Me A Clean Heart STS 62

Responding to God's presence

Sharing of joys and concerns / visitor introductions Pastoral Prayer

Offering Praise God HWB 119 Hymn Lead Me, Lord HWB 538

Benediction

Today Sermon: Roy Hange

This Week

Tues Men's breakfast at Bodo's on Preston 7:00 am

Board of Elders 7:15 pm

Weds Women's bookstudy: Waking up White 7:00 pm

Thurs Ad Council 7:00 pm

Upcoming Events

April 1 Easter breakfast

May 18-20, 2018 Annual church retreat

Announcements

Please email all bulletin announcements by Wednesday evening 8:00 pm to Becky. Please include the word "bulletin" in the subject line of the heading.

Sunday School Information:

We have two adult Sunday School classes that meet at 9:30 in the sanctuary. One is a general discussion group that follows the lectionary and meets in an open space in the front of the sanctuary. The other is usually a book discussion group and meets inside the curtained space in the back of the sanctuary (guests are welcome to attend even if they have not been reading the book). Children's Sunday School classes (preschool through high school) meet at 9:30 in the upstairs classrooms.

We will be reading "Waking up white, and finding myself in the story of race" by Debbie Irving beginning Wednesday night Feb 21 beginning at 7 pm. Please read the first chapter "Childhood in white", pages 1-26 before Wednesday if you can.

Is anyone else interested in a weekly Lectio Divina or Spiritual Companion group during Lent? We will begin meeting this Friday and continue through Lent. Easter falls on April 1 this year. Please talk to Maren.

Maren Hange Undoing Racism - upcoming events in Charlottesville:

2/24-CvilleStrong Discussion: Affordable Housing (Central Library), hosted by Jefferson-Madison Regional Library, 1-3pm 2/25-How might Charlottesville be governed differently in the future?, Jefferson-Madison Regional Library, hosted by League of Women Voters of the Charlottesville Area, 2-4pm 2/27-Michelle Alexander Excellence Through Diversity Series, Old Cabel Hall, 6-7:30pm 3/2-A King's Story by Joshua St. Hill (Monticello HS student), The Haven, Afternoon (exact time TBA). "This play is a work of fiction rooted in reality. It explores racism and the events of August 12 in Charlottesville from the perspective of students, teachers, the community and the media." 2/28 Screening of I'm Not Racist...Am I? 6 pm PVCC room M229 3/5 Screening of I'm Not Racist...Am I? 6 pm CHS, MLK PAC 3/6 Screening of *I'm Not Racist...Am I?* 6 pm Northside library 3/8-Screening of *I'm Not Racist...Am I?*, following the film will be a discussion facilitated by Charlene Green and other from the Dept

of Human Services, 9:30am-12pm, FREE event, please RSVP

to graves@charlottesville.org