



All Creation Groans

March 24, 2019

*Welcome to Sunday morning worship at College Mennonite Church.
If you are a guest, see Welcome section for more information.*

We Gather Nos Reunimos

Songs for Gathering

Lee Dengler

Instrumentalists: Diane Hertzler, Reynard Hilman
Mike Hoover, Pete Miller

Prelude

“Great Is Thy Faithfulness” (arr. Dobrinski)

Jubilate! Handbell Choir

Welcome

Talashia Keim Yoder

Call to Worship

Leader/Líder: As the deer longs for the water, así mi alma te anhela,
oh Dios.
(Como el ciervo anhela las corrientes de las aguas, so my soul longs
for you, O God.)

**Todos/All: Mi alma tiene sed de Dios, del Dios vivo; when shall
I come to appear before the presence of God?
(My soul is thirsty for God, thirsty for the living God; ¿cuándo
vendré y me presentaré delante de Dios?)**

Líder/Leader: Fueron mis lágrimas mi alimento de día y de noche,
mientras me dicen todos los días: Where now is your
God?
(My tears have been my food day and night, while all day long they
say to me, ¿Dónde está tu Dios?)

**All/Todos: Why are you so full of heaviness, O my soul, ¿y te
turbas dentro de mí?
(Porque te abates, oh alma mía, and why are you so disquieted
within me?)**

Leader/Líder: Put your trust in God, (Pon tu confianza en Dios)

**Todos/All: Porque aún he de alabarle, who is the help of my
countenance, and my God.**

**(For I will yet give thanks to him, Salvador, Presencia y Dios
mío.)**

We Praise Alabamos

Hymn	“To God be the glory” “O God, how we have wandered”	H 102 SS 58
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Prayer of Confession

Lider/Leader: O Dios, creador del cielo y la tierra, of all that is, seen and unseen: You place us in your creation, and you command us to care for it. Your works declare glory and splendor, and you call us to praise and reverence.

All/Todos: Where we have degraded or destroyed earth’s bounty, perdónanos. Where we have taken beauty and majesty for granted, ten misericordia de nosotros. Where we have become estranged from the creatures with whom we share this planet, danos tu paz.

Leader/Líder: Renew us in the waters of baptism, refresh us with the winds of your spirit, and sustain us with the bread of life. In the name of Jesus Christ, y por el bien de la creación en el nombre de Jesucristo, oramos. Amen.

Song of Assurance	“Un pozo hay” (v. 3)	SS 64
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Prayers of the People		Talashia Keim Yoder
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We Listen Escuchamos

Hymn	“Rain down”	SJ 49
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Children’s Time	“A place for water to rest”	Joel Pontius
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Hymn	“As rain from the clouds”	SJ 40
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Scripture	Psalm 36: 5-6	
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Sermon	“The <i>Whole</i> Creation Groans”	Phil Waite
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We Respond Respondemos

Hymn	“Like the murmur of the dove’s song”	H 29
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God at Work	“International Student Ministry Group”	Kent Beck
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Offering

Bring your offering forward to baskets in the front or either end of the balcony. Children and ushers will assist those who prefer not to get out of their pew by collecting their offerings and taking them forward.

Ritual of Friendship: You are invited to sign the friendship booklet and pass it to your left.

Offertory "A Lenten Idyll" (Ashdown) Shirley Friesen

Doxology

Prayer of Praise and Thanksgiving

Hymn "You are salt for the earth" H 226

Benediction

Extending Peace and Welcome

Postlude "You are salt for the earth"



Peace Candle Reflections

With the coming of spring, remember, "Peace is the feeling knowing the sun will come out even while it's raining."

—Judith, age 11

The candle shines each Sunday reminding each of us to take seriously the gospel of peace.

We believe that all individuals are created in God's image, and all people, regardless of age, gender, race, citizenship status, abilities, or sexual orientation, are welcome as full participants in the life of our congregation.

Creemos que todo ser humano es creado a imagen de Dios, y toda persona, sin distinción de edad, género, raza, estatus migratorio, habilidades u orientación sexual, es bienvenida y aceptada como participante activo en la vida de nuestra congregación.

Library hours: 8:45–9:30 a.m. and after the worship service

CMC Office Hours

Sunday: 9 a.m. to 12 noon

Monday through Thursday: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Friday and Saturday: closed

Welcome!

We extend a special welcome to guests joining us for worship today. Some details to help you find your way at CMC:

Today's Schedule

8 a.m.	Shalom Ringers
9 a.m.	Coffee in the south hallway and west foyer
9:15 a.m.	Songs for gathering
9:30 a.m.	Worship service
After worship	Sunday school for children, youth and adults
Noon	All song leaders and musicians meeting

- **Greeters** are happy to answer your questions and assist you in finding restrooms, coffee, Sunday school classes, and more.
- **Care for infants** is in Room 125; for toddlers and twos in Room 124.
- **Hearing devices** and **large-print bulletins** are available on the counter outside the church office.
- *Se puede escuchar el mensaje en español mediante los audífonos disponibles en el centro de bienvenida que se encuentra en el pasillo cerca de la puerta "J" del santuario.* (Receivers for Spanish language translation are available at the Information Center in the hallway next to door J.) *Intérprete:* Vilma Padilla
- **Recordings:** CDs of the worship service are available by Monday on the wall in the south hall. Worship service videos are available at www.collegemennonite.org.

Sunday School Classes – After Worship

Infants (Rm 125)	Grades 1–3 (Rm 121)
Toddlers (Rm 124)	Grades 4–5 (Rm 131)
Twos and Threes (Rm 123)	Genesis – Gr. 6–8 (Basement)
Fours and Fives (Rm 122)	MYF – Gr. 9–12 (Basement)
Borderlands (Rm 111) An open and affirming group exploring the integration of faith, life, and relationships	
College Age Fellowship, Growing Roots, and Weavings (Rm 143-144) "Singing school" – Rebecca Slough	
Embajadores de Cristo (Rm 100) "Siguiendo a Jesús a través de Marcos"	
Homebuilders (Rm 100 at 8 a.m.) "Enter God Again"	
Horizons (Rm 120) A welcoming and informal group	
Pathfinders (Rm 300) "Our Goshen Experience (Part 1)" – David and Madeline Maldonado	
Safe Harbor (Rm 141) "Call to Discipleship"	

Seekers (Rm 108) “The Mennonite”: class discussion

Sojourners (Rm 307) “What does a peace church look like in the 21st century?” – Jason Boone, MMN

Looking Ahead

Wednesday, March 27

- 11:30 a.m. Men’s Fellowship
- 5 p.m. Prayer Choir
- 6 p.m. CMC Wednesday night family meal and activities
- 7 p.m. Adult Choir
- Jubilate! Handbell Choir
- Emergency Task Force

Thursday, March 28

- 10 a.m. Pastoral Care Visitors

Sunday, March 31

- 8 a.m. Shalom Ringers
- 9 a.m. Coffee in the south hallway and west foyer
- 9:15 a.m. Songs for gathering
- 9:30 a.m. Worship service
- 10:30 a.m. Deaf Christian Bible Study
- After worship Sunday school for children, youth and adults

Announcements

*Email CMC announcements (**max. 75 words**) for the weekly bulletin by noon on Tuesday. Send to communications@collegemennonite.org.*

All Musicians and Song Leaders Meeting

The meeting for all musicians and song leaders is today at noon in the Gathering Rooms. CMC musicians and song leaders, plan to attend this important meeting following the Sunday school hour.

March Board Report

The CMC Board met on March 5. The Board endorsed a recommendation brought by Administration Commission to assess how CMC’s spending plan promotes CMC priorities. Focusing on congregationally endorsed priorities impacts not only what but also how CMC carries out mission. The Board is planning an appreciation event for non-pastoral staff on April 7.

Vacation Bible School

Vacation Bible School will be held the second week of June, June 10-14.

Everence Sharing Funds

Everence Sharing Funds provided \$2,250 in matching funds to support special needs in our church last year. Mike Landis serves as the Everence advocate for our congregation. Contact him for more information.

Thank You

Thank you so much for hosting a baby shower for us and for baby Evelyn's upcoming arrival! It was nice to feel how loved Evelyn is already by her church family. As of Tuesday she still hasn't made her arrival but we are hopeful she will decide to come soon! We are looking forward to introducing her to everyone at CMC. —Lance and Margaret Hall

Building Authentic Relationships Retreat

This weekend our 11th and 12th graders join youth from three other area Mennonite churches for a weekend focused on what makes for healthy, lifelong relationships. Pray for the pastors leading, youth attending, and their parents who transition to parenting young adults. Special thanks to Rodolfo Gonzalez and Liz Nussbaum Gonzalez for being willing to share about their marriage as one of the couples on the panel Saturday night.

Exploring Baptism Retreat

Are you ready to make a deeper commitment to God? Discerning readiness for a public commitment? Questions about baptism? Come join the Exploring Baptism Retreat 9 a.m.-4 p.m. on Friday, April 19. It will be a time to learn, pray, hear other people's stories, and consider if you are ready for baptism. People of any age are invited to attend. RSVP to Daniel Yoder by Sunday, April 14.

Mennonite Women

Vivian Kaser opened the meeting with prayer. Thirty-seven women attended and completed three baby blankets, 38 MCC bags strung, five greeting cards, and three comforters. Naomi Lederach led devotions and closed with a traditional Irish blessing. We prayed for Justin Yoder, Caleb Gunawan, Claude Swartzendruber, and the families of Leroy Kennel and Dwight Grieser.

Hymn Sing

Before *Hymnal: A Worship Book*, and before *The Mennonite Hymnal*, there was *Church Hymnal*. Published in 1927, this hymnbook was used by many Mennonite congregations, including ours, for decades. Revisit those times, and request your favorites, at a 1927 *Church Hymnal* hymn sing at 4 p.m. on Sunday, March 31, in our sanctuary. If you have copies of that hymnal, please bring them.

Creation Care Events

Men's Fellowship, March 27

On Wednesday, Lewis Naylor will be speaking about "Composting." The luncheon and program in the Koinonia Room will begin at 11:30 a.m. and end by 1:00 p.m. If you are not already registered, contact Owen Hess by noon on Monday, March 25, at 533-1923 or email joyhess@maplenet.net to arrange for your attendance. Pay Owen \$7 upon arrival.

Conference on Religion and Science

The Goshen Conference on Religion and Science, March 29-31, will focus on climate change. Dr. Katharine Hayhoe, climate scientist from Texas Tech University, will give two free public lectures here: At 7:30 p.m. on Friday, March 29, "Mitigate, Adapt or Suffer: Connecting Global Change to Local Impacts" and at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday., March 30, "Christians, Climate and Culture." More information at www.mrss-online.org.

Wednesday Night at CMC – March 27

Join your church family for a time of fellowship and activities.

5-6 p.m. – Prayer Choir (Rm 100)

6:30 p.m. Embajadores de Cristo Bible study

6–6:45 p.m.

CMC Family Meal in the Fellowship Hall

Come for food, conversation, and interaction around the table.

7–8 p.m.

MYF: Service Project with Chain Reaction

Genesis: TBD

Adult Choir

Jubilate! Handbell Choir

Tornado and Severe Weather Emergency

The National Weather Service issues tornado warnings after a tornado has been reported or indicated by radar and there is a serious threat to life and property to those in its path. The National Weather Service provides the approximate time of detection, the location of the storm, and the direction of movement. A tornado can move from 25 to 40 miles per hour, so prompt emergency action must be taken.

When the National Weather Service issues a tornado warning, the campus siren, located by the Umble Center, sounds. When the siren is sounded, everyone in the church building must find shelter by moving immediately to a designated tornado shelter area in the church.

- Move quickly, but do not run.
- Move to an interior room away from windows—to an enclosed room or conference room, a restroom, an interior stairwell, or the basement hallways.
- Remain in the shelter area until the all-clear signal has been given.

For pastoral care emergencies, call (574) 535-6326

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