

## Welcome to Mount Royal Mennonite Church

Learning to live - through relationships with Jesus,  
our neighbours and each other

Worship Service 10:00 am

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### Thought for the week

If you judge people, you have no time to love them.  
*Mother Teresa, 20th century*

There are only two kinds of [people]: the righteous  
who believe they are sinners and the sinners who  
believe they are righteous.  
*Blaise Pascal, 17th century*

Prelude  
Announcements  
Silence

### **Parables: The Arrows of God**

Gathering words  
Gathering prayer  
Gathering songs *We gather together* HWB #16  
*Praise to the Lord, the Almighty* HWB #37  
Psalm 139: 1-14, 23-24 Bernie W

Offertory prayer  
Story for all ages Mark H  
We Sing *Over my Head* StJ #18

Scripture Matthew 13: 24-30, 36-43  
Sermon *'Whose field is it anyway?'* Garth E F  
and Trevor S

Hymn of Response *They that wait upon the Lord* HWB #584

Peace Lamp  
Sharing our stories  
Sharing our prayers  
Sending song *Breathe on me, breath of God* HWB #356

Sending words  
Go now in peace to love and serve the Lord  
**THANKS BE TO GOD!**

Postlude

### Today's Service

Worship Leader: Helmut and Dory I  
Song Leader: Sarah O  
Pianist: Verna O  
Video: Darrell B

### Joys & Concerns

- **Pray for:** *Maureen G, Kelly and Pam J, Nettie and Roy W, Marg W, Edwine L*
- **Families of the week:** *Marsha S and Faith, Estefania M, Elsie S*
- We are thankful for last week's offering of \$5,370, given in support of our ministry here and around the world.
- Our prayers and sympathies to the family of **Verna K** who passed away on Thursday morning. The family appreciates all the concerns and prayers from the congregation throughout the years of friendship. May they feel God's presence during this difficult time.

### MPMC Coming Events and Notes

- Friends, if you are still wanting to get a mask Heather has some available but won't be making more. Please contact Heather for further information.

### Conference and Community Events

- a) **Shekinah is hosting a social distancing volunteer day on July 25.** Anyone who is interested in volunteering must sign up by calling the office 306-945-4929 or emailing [craig@shekinahretreatcentre.org](mailto:craig@shekinahretreatcentre.org). We will be doing exciting activities like bridge building, woodcutting, and stair building.
- b) **Attention Students!** Planning to attend Rosthern Junior College High School (RJC), Canadian Mennonite University (CMU), Columbia Bible College (CBC), Conrad Grebel University College (CGUC), or Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary (AMBS) in fall? Go to <https://mcsask.ca/youth-ministry> and click on the link for an application. Deadline is July 31. Send to MC Sask attention Ryan Siemens.
- c) **Thank you for your ongoing contributions to the work we do together as MC Sask.** As of June 30, 2020 we have fulfilled all of our financial commitments to our partner ministries. We are slightly behind in our year to date giving. Please consider making an extra contribution over the summer months. *Mennonite Church Saskatchewan*
- d) **Help match Mennonite Church Canada's donation to Mennonite World Conference's COVID-19 relief fund!** This spring [Mennonite Church Canada donated \\$50,000 to MWC's Global Church Sharing Fund](#) to help our sister churches around the world who are struggling to meet basic needs due to pandemic-response measures in their countries. Now Mennonite Church Canada is asking its congregations to **match this donation** so that we collectively raise \$100,000. **Donations will go through regional churches.** Click [here](#) for more info.
- e) **SAVE THE DATE: International Witness Sunday on October 18, 2020** Mennonite Church Canada International Witness invites

congregations across our nationwide community of faith to celebrate International Witness Sunday on October 18, 2020. Come prepared to give, learn and get involved with International Witness ministries. To help church leadership prepare for this day, promotional material and worship resources, such as readings, prayers and music, will be made available in August. For more information contact the IW Communications committee via [jhanson@mennonitechurch.ca](mailto:jhanson@mennonitechurch.ca) or go to <https://www.mennonitechurch.ca/international-witness>.

- f) **SAVE THE DATE: Table Talk: Does the Church have Legs? Mennonite Church Canada Study Conference, October 24, 2020** Join our nationwide community of faith as we gather virtually for "'Table Talk: Does the Church Still have Legs?'" a virtual study conference on the nature and identity of the church and the role of worship. Plenary speakers from Mennonite Church Canada-affiliated universities and colleges will present on themes of ecclesiology and worship. For more information, visit <https://www.mennonitechurch.ca/tabletalk2020>.
- g) **Shekinah Retreat Centre** is looking for campground and maintenance workers: They have 2 summer job positions open for individuals aged 17-30 (this is a Canada Summer Jobs requirement). Individuals that are interested in working at Shekinah can send their resumes to [craig@shekinahretreatcentre.org](mailto:craig@shekinahretreatcentre.org).

## **We gather together**

We gather together to ask the Lord's blessing.  
He chastens and hastens his will to make known.  
The wicked oppressing now cease from distressing.  
Sing praises to his name, he forgets not his own.

Beside us to guide us, our God with us joining,  
ordaining, maintaining his kingdom divine.  
So from the beginning the fight we were winning;  
thou, Lord, wast at our side, all glory be thine!

We all do extol thee, thou Leader triumphant,  
and pray that you still our defender wilt be.  
Let thy congregation escape tribulation.  
Thy name be ever praised! O Lord, make us free!

*Text: Nederlandsche Gedenckclanck, 1626; tr. Theodore Baker, Dutch Folk Songs, 1917*

*Music: Nederlandsche Gedenckclanck, 1626; tune adapted by Edward Kremser, Sechs alniederlandische Volkslieder, 1877*

## **Praise to the Lord, the Almighty**

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!  
O my soul, praise him for he is thy health and salvation!  
All ye who hear, now to God's temple draw near.  
Join me in glad adoration.

Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,  
shelters thee under his wings, yea, so gently sustaineth.  
Hast thou not seen how thy heart's wishes have been  
granted in what he ordaineth?

Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee.  
Surely his goodness and mercy shall daily attend thee.  
Ponder anew what the Almighty can do,  
as with his love he befriends thee.

Praise to the Lord, oh, let all that is in me adore him!  
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before him!  
Let the "amen" sound from God's people again;  
gladly forever adore him.

*Text: Joachim Neander, Lobe den Herren, den mächtigen König der Ehren, A und Q Glaub- und Leibesübung, 1680; tr. Catherine Winkworth, Chorale Book for England, 1863, alt.*

*Music: Erneuertem Gesangbuch, 1665.*

## **Over my head**

### Refrain

Over my head, I hear music in the air;  
over my head, I hear music in the air;  
over my head, I hear music in the air;  
there must be a God somewhere.

1. Oh, when the world is silent, I hear music in the air;  
oh, when the world is silent, I hear music in the air;  
oh, when the world is silent, I hear music in the air;  
there must be a God somewhere.

### Refrain

Over my head, I hear music in the air;  
over my head, I hear music in the air;  
over my head, I hear music in the air;  
there must be a God somewhere.

2. And when I'm feeling lonely, I hear music in the air;  
and when I'm feeling lonely, I hear music in the air;  
and when I'm feeling lonely, I hear music in the air;  
there must be a God somewhere.

### Refrain

Over my head, I hear music in the air;  
over my head, I hear music in the air;  
over my head, I hear music in the air;  
there must be a God somewhere.

3. Now when I think on Jesus, I hear music in the air;  
now when I think on Jesus, I hear music in the air;  
now when I think on Jesus, I hear music in the air;  
there must be a God somewhere.

Text: African-American traditional

Music: African-American traditional, arranged by The Iona Community

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### **They that wait upon the Lord**

They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength.  
They shall mount up with wings as eagles.  
They shall walk and not be weary, they shall run and not faint.  
Teach me Lord, teach me Lord to wait.

Text: Stuart Hamblen 1953

Music: Stuart Hamblen 1953

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### **Breathe on me, breath of God**

Breathe on me, breath of God, fill me with life anew.  
that I may love what thou dost love, and do what thou wouldst do.

Breathe on me, breath of God, until my heart is pure.  
until with thee I will one will, to do and to endure.

Breathe on me, breath of God, till I am wholly thine,  
till all this earthly part of me glows with thy fire divine.

Breathe on me, breath of God, so shall I never die.  
but live with thee the perfect life of thine eternity.

Text: Edwin Hatch, *Between Doubt and Prayer*, 1878, alt.

Music: Robert Jackson, *Fifty Sacred Leaflets*, 1888