

Durham Mennonite Church

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A Congregation of the Virginia Mennonite Conference & Mennonite Church USA

February 18, 2018

First Sunday of Lent

10:30 a.m. Worship Leader – Lowell Tieszen, Music Leader – Aaron Griffith

PRAISING OUR CREATOR WHO CALLS US

Call to Worship

God's kindness is meant to lead us to repentance.

Honor and give thanks to our Creator, who is blessed forever! Amen.

Opening Songs

Confession of Sin and Assurance of Grace – Hymnal #832

Passing the Peace

Announcements

Hymn

HEARING JESUS, THE LIVING WORD

Exodus 9:1-12

Hosea 4:1-10

Romans 1:18- 2:8

Mark 8:27-33

Sermon

Jon Mark

RECEIVING THE SPIRIT, JOINED IN CHRIST'S BODY

Testimonies, Sharing and Collected Prayer

The Lord's Prayer (Hymnal #731)

Offering and Offertory with CROP Walk Video

RETURNING TO GOD'S SERVICE AS NEW CREATURES

Closing Hymn

Sending to Serve

Set your mind not on earthly things, but on things of God,
and go in peace, to love and serve the Lord.

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK AND THE SEASON

2/25: Exodus 9: 13-35; Joel 1: 1-12; Galatians 5: 13-25; Mark 8: 34-9: 1
Worship Leader, Jon Mark. Music, Kevin Nice

3/4: Exodus 10: 1-20; Jer. 8: 4-22; Phil. 1: 20-2: 2; Mark 11: 12-14, 20-25
Worship Leader, Jackie Carroll-Garcia; Music, Carol Detweiler.

3/11: Exodus 10: 21-29; Jer. 3: 12-25; Gal. 5: 26- 6: 10; Mark 9: 30-50
Worship Leader, Jon Mark; Music, Cheryl Van Horn

Tuesday, 10:30 am – Quilting at DMC!

Wednesday, 2/21, 7:00 pm – Church Council Meeting at Ruby Batten's.

LENTEN THURSDAYS, Feb. 22, Mar.1, Mar.8, Mar. 15, Mar.22 – PRAYER AND FASTING Services, 6:30 PM – 7:00 PM. Share a time of prayer, hymns, scripture reading and silence together for spiritual renewal in Christ's Spirit.

Sunday, Feb. 25 – Potluck Fellowship Meal after Worship

Wednesday, Feb. 28, 7:00 pm - Singing and Prayer at Carver Assisted Living Center.

Saturday, Mar. 17 – Church Retreat Day with Skip Tobin!

Sunday, Mar. 25 – Palm Sunday and CROP Hunger Walk!

Thursday, Mar. 29 – Maundy Thursday Supper with Communion and Footwashing.

Friday, Mar. 30 – Prepare and serve supper for 200 at Urban Ministries of Durham.

Easter Sunday, April 1, 9:00 – Potluck Fellowship Breakfast

Belated Happy Birthdays to Sylvia Daniel (2/16) and Joyce Pusel (2/17)!

Tuesday, Feb. 20, 11:45 a.m. - DCIA Assembly Lunch, Presentation and discussion with Durham Public Schools Superintendent Pascal Mubenga at McMannen United Methodist Church! \$7 meal.

Tuesday, February 20, 6:00 pm - Vigil for Alicia Elder. The Religious Coalition for a Nonviolent Durham joins the loved ones of Alicia Elder in a vigil to honor her life. We will gather at Hillside Park (1301 South Roxboro Street), near where Ms. Elder (50) was fatally stabbed on January 30, 2018. A community social worker and mother of two, Alicia's gifts to our community are immeasurable and irreplaceable. We gather in vigil on the occasion of Alicia's 51st birthday to honor her life and legacy, to offer comfort to her family and friends, and to reclaim this site of violence as a place of peace. Minister Annette Love (Northside Baptist Church) and Rev. Dorothy Clark (Change Paths Ministry) will lead in prayer, reflection, and song. For more info, Ruthy Jones (919-698-9092), Ben Haas (919-864-2162), or nonviolentlydurham@gmail.com.

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Thursday, Feb. 22, 12:00 noon - Religious Coalition for a Nonviolent Durham Roundtable Luncheon, Shepherd's House UMC (107 N. Driver Street; corner of Main and Driver). A delicious lunch from CORE Catering is free, and all are welcome to break bread with us!

Thursday, February 22nd at 7:00 pm - 26th Annual Vigil Against Violence, Shepherd's House United Methodist Church (107 North Driver Street). Join us as we honor and remember 29 lives, all fellow residents of Durham County taken from us by violence in 2017. Over 95% (28 of 29) ended by gunshot wounds. Every one an immeasurable loss to our community. By gathering together in vigil, we extend comfort to the victims' friends and families, declare our right to live in safety, and affirm our common bond. A public reception will follow at 8:00 pm. Vigil sponsored by the Religious Coalition for a Nonviolent Durham and Parents of Murdered Children (Durham Chapter). All are welcome.



DURHAM MENNONITE CHURCH

*Our mission is to restore people to relationships of communion
with God and each other in Christ.*

*We will practice this mission through our worship and witness,
our discipling, fellowship and service*