

Durham Mennonite Church

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A Congregation of the Virginia Mennonite Conference & Mennonite Church USA

Sunday, January 15, 2017

Second Sunday After Epiphany

9:30 a.m. Bible Study

10:30 a.m. Worship Leader: Aaron Griffith; Music: Anna Showalter

PRAISING OUR CREATOR WHO CALLS US

Call to Worship (from Rev. 14:3-7,12-14)

I saw another angel flying in midheaven, with an eternal gospel to proclaim to those who live on the earth—to every nation and tribe and language and people in a loud voice:

“Fear God and give him glory, for the hour of his judgment has come; and worship him who made heaven and earth, the sea and the springs of water.”

Here is a call for the endurance of the saints, those who keep the commandments of God and hold fast to the faith of Jesus.

The redeemed of the earth follow the Lamb wherever he goes.

They have been redeemed from humankind as first fruits for God and the Lamb, and in their mouth no lie was found; they are blameless.

Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord.

“Yes,” says the Spirit, “they will rest from their labors, for their deeds follow them.”

Opening Songs

Hymnal #20 – *Come and See*

Sing the Story #39 – *Will You Come and Follow Me?*

Sing the Story #34 – *You are Holy*

Confession of Sin and Assurance

Sing the Journey #129 & #130, in unison.

Passing the Peace

Announcements

Hymn #523 – *Dear Lord and Father*

HEARING JESUS, THE LIVING WORD

Genesis 11:31-12:9

Genesis 15:1-18

1 Kings 19:19-21

John 1:29-51

Sermon

Sarah Jacoby

RECEIVING THE SPIRIT, JOINED IN CHRIST'S BODY

Word Made Music

Testimonies and Sharing

Collected Prayer and The Lord's Prayer (Hymnal #731)

Offertory and Offering

RETURNING TO GOD'S SERVICE AS NEW CREATURES

Sing the Story #40 – *Som'landela*

Sending to Serve – Sing the Journey #158

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Genesis 16:1-16; Ezekiel 33:23-33; Galatians 4:8-5:6; John 8:31-40

Next Worship Leader: Lowell Tieszen; Music: Eddith Ogola

Our preacher this morning is Sarah Jacoby, a Duke Divinity student who is part of Chapel Hill Mennonite Fellowship, and is spending this academic year as an intern for our Eastern Carolina District of Mennonite churches.

Annual Service of Prayer for Christian Unity - January 19, 7:00 p.m., First Presbyterian Church, 305 E Main St. Ecumenical celebration and call to unity among diverse Christian traditions as 500th anniversary of Protestant Reformation commences. NCCU Choir performs. Rev. Jimmie Hawkins preaches.

Tuesday, Jan. 24, 5:30-8:00 p.m. – Annual Banquet of Durham Congregations in Action, at Trinity Ave. Presbyterian Church, corner of W. Trinity and N. Gregson St. Program on “Hospitality toward Refugees and Immigrants.” \$14 per plate, RSVP to dcia@dcia.org or 919-682-0538.

Pray for Mennonite Missions: School groups are celebrating the Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday with DOOR Atlanta and DOOR Miami this weekend. Mennonite Mission Network requests prayer for participants as they return to their home communities tomorrow and begin to share what they learned about civil rights history and current social injustices, and how their faith calls them to respond.

Upcoming Durham Mennonite Dates:

Next Sunday, Jan. 22, Potluck Fellowship Meal after Morning Worship.

Sunday, Feb. 26, Communion at Morning Worship, Potluck Fellowship Meal after. Wednesday, Mar. 1, 7:00 pm – Ash Wednesday service.

Friday, Mar. 31 – Prep and serve supper for 200 at Urban Ministries of Durham.

Sunday, April 2, Hot Dog Lunch after Morning Worship,

CROP Walk at 2:00 pm, begins at Duke Chapel.

April 13, Maundy Thursday Love Feast with Footwashing, 6:00-8:00 pm.

April 14, Good Friday Tenebrae Service of Darkness, 7:00 pm.

April 16, Easter Breakfast Potluck, 8:30 a.m.

Belated Happy Birthday to Stephen Paul, Jan. 10!

Martin Luther King Jr. Day Annual March – Tomorrow, January 16, 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m., begins at NC Mutual Building, 411 W. Chapel Hill St., and ends with program inside First Presbyterian Church, 305 E Main St. Bring a children's book to donate for BookHarvest!

Tomorrow, January 16, 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm: BookHarvest's Martin Luther King Day "Dream Big" Book Drive, Durham Central Park, 501 Foster St, Durham. Round up your own new and gently used children's books and bring them to Durham Central Park on the afternoon of MLK Day! Everyone is welcome to this family-friendly celebration of service and literacy Festivities include special appearances by Wool E. Bull, Read-a-Roo, Maky the Lemur, and Ranger Baldy; special performances by Tiny House, Matt Phillips, and The Bouncing Bulldogs; and Scrap Exchange activities.

January 16, 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm, Annual Martin Luther King Jr. Day Religious Service, Peace Missionary Baptist Church, 2608 Apex Highway, Durham. Keynote Speaker – Reverend Prince Raney Rivers, Senior Pastor, United Metropolitan Missionary Baptist Church, Winston-Salem.



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with God and each other in Christ.*

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

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