

Durham Mennonite Church

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A Congregation of the Virginia Mennonite Conference & Mennonite Church USA

June 25, 2017

9:30 a.m. Bible Study

10:30 a.m. Worship Leader: Renee Collins-Bradford, Music: Kevin Nice

PRAISING OUR CREATOR WHO CALLS US

Call to Worship (from Ephesians 3:16-17)

May God grant that, according to the riches of his glory, you be strengthened in your inner being with power through his Spirit, and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love.

Opening Hymns

Confession of Sin and Assurance of Grace (from Psalm 27)

The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid? Hear, O Lord, when I cry aloud, be gracious to me and answer me! 'Come,' my heart says, 'seek his face!'

Your face, Lord, do I seek. Do not hide your face from me. Do not turn your servant away in anger, you who have been my help. Do not cast me off, do not forsake me, O God of my salvation! Even if my father and mother forsake me, you, O Lord, will take me up. When evils assail me to devour my flesh, let them stumble and fall. Though an army encamp against me, my heart shall not fear; though war rise up against me, yet I will be confident. Teach me your way, O Lord, and lead me on a level path because of enemies of my soul. Do not give me up to the will of the Adversary, and preserve me from false witness and from violence.

One thing I asked of the Lord, that will I seek after: to live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the Lord, and to inquire in his temple. For God will hide me in his shelter in the day of trouble; the Lord will conceal me under the cover of his tent, and will set me high on a rock. Now my head is lifted up above my enemies all around me, and I will offer in his tent sacrifices with shouts of joy; I will sing and make melody to the Lord. I believe that I shall see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living.

Wait for the Lord; be strong, and let your heart take courage; wait for the Lord!

Passing the Peace
Announcements
Hymn

HEARING JESUS, THE LIVING WORD

Genesis 23:19-24:15; 24:45-67

Ephesians 3:1-21

John 7:1-36

Sermon *Seeking the Hidden*

Spencer Bradford

RECEIVING THE SPIRIT, JOINED IN CHRIST'S BODY

Word Made Music

Testimonies to the Word

Sharing and Prayer

The Lord's Prayer (Hymnal #731)

Offering and Offertory

RETURNING TO GOD'S SERVICE AS NEW CREATURES

Closing Hymn

Sending to Serve (from Ephesians 3:18-21)

I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth of the love of Christ, to know what surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. Now to God who by the power of his Spirit at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, for ever and ever. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Gen. 25: 19-34; 1 Kings 19: 1-15; Revelation 2: 12-17; John 4: 31-38

Next Sunday: Worship Leader, Lowell Tieszen; Music, Rebekah Ackerman
Theme: Food of Life

For 7/9: Worship Leader, Eliza Griffith; Music, Aaron Griffith

Gen. 26: 12-33; Ezekiel 47: 1-12; Revelation 22: 1-17; John 4: 1-30, 39-42
Theme: Water of Life

Happy anniversary to Lowell & Sharyn, 6/29!

Pray for Mennonite Missions: Eid al Fitr begins at sundown today. This Muslim holiday marks the end of the fasting month of Ramadan, which emphasizes empathy for the poor and focuses on the spiritual life. Mennonite Mission Network requests prayer for workers who are building bridges between Christians and Muslims in many countries.

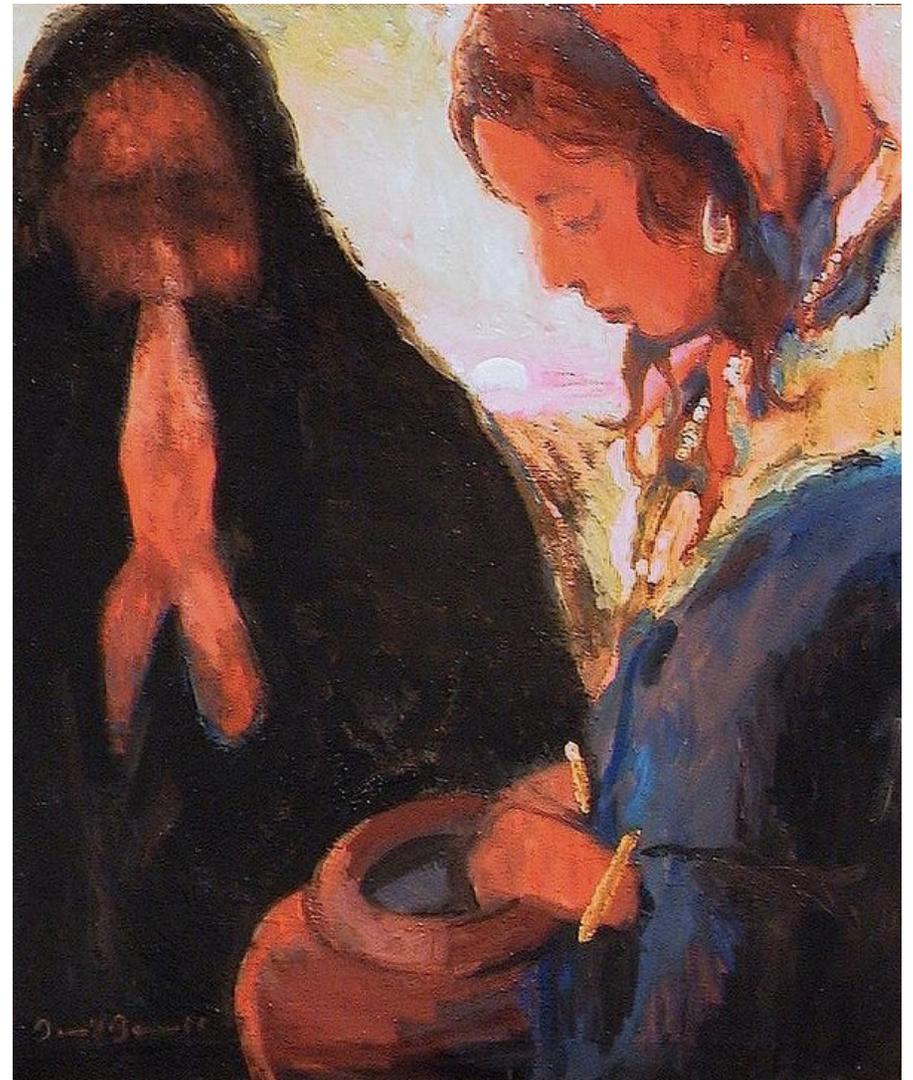
Upcoming Durham Mennonite Dates:

Tuesdays, 10:30 a.m. – Quilting & Sewing at Durham Mennonite

Wednesday, July 12, 7:00 p.m. – Singing at Carver Assisted Living dining room for Tom Weaver and other guests.

This Friday, June 30 – Supper prepared and served at Urban Ministries for 200. Fish fry with French fries, cole slaw, dessert.

July 20-22 – Virginia Mennonite Conference Assembly, “Neighbors: Strangers No More” at Park View Mennonite Church, Harrisonburg, Va.



Please offer your jar, that I may drink

Front Image: “Woman at the Well” – Daniel Bonnell

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, witness, discipling, fellowship and service.

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