

Durham Mennonite Church

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A Congregation of the Virginia Mennonite Conference & Mennonite Church USA

November 12, 2017

9:30 a.m. Bible Study

10:30 a.m. Worship Leader, Aaron Griffith; Music, Cheryl Van Horn

PRAISING OUR CREATOR WHO CALLS US

Call to Worship (*Psalm 33:1-5*)

Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous. Praise befits the upright. Praise the Lord with the lyre; make melody to him with the harp of ten strings. Sing to him a new song; play skillfully on the strings, with loud shouts. For the word of the Lord is upright, and all his work is done in faithfulness. God loves righteousness and justice; the earth is full of the steadfast love of the Lord.

Opening Worship Songs – Hymnal #41, #46, #13

Confession of Sin, Hymnal #696 (*in unison*)

Assurance of Grace (*Eph. 1:7-8*): In Jesus Christ, we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace that he lavished on us.

Passing the Peace

Announcements

Hymn #151 – *Marvelous Grace*

HEARING JESUS, THE LIVING WORD

Genesis 49:33 -50:26

Psalm 33:6-20

Ephesians 1:2-14

John 14:15-31

Sermon

Spencer Bradford

RECEIVING THE SPIRIT, JOINED IN CHRIST'S BODY

Word Made Music – Hymnal #507, *Gracious Spirit*

Congregational Sharing and Prayer

The Lord's Prayer (Hymnal #731)

Offering and Offertory

RETURNING TO GOD'S SERVICE AS NEW CREATURES

Closing Hymn #510, *O Christ In Thee*

Sending to Serve (*Psalm 33:18-22*)

Truly the eye of the Lord is on those who fear him, on those who hope in his steadfast love, to deliver their souls from death, and to keep them alive in famine. Our souls wait for the Lord; he is our help and shield. Our hearts are glad in him, because we trust in his holy name. Let your steadfast love, O Lord, be upon us, even as we hope in you. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK

11/19: 2 Kings 9:1-6; Titus 2:11-14; Hebrews 1:14-2:9; Matt. 22:41-46
Worship Leader: Jackie Carroll-Garcia; Music: Aaron Griffith

11/26: Ps. 72; 1Kgs. 9:1-9; 10:1-10,23-25; Rev. 11:15-19; Jn. 18:33-38a
Worship Leader: Sylvia Daniel; Music, Spencer Bradford

12/3: First Sunday of Advent

Joel 2:1-11; Psalm 93; 2 Peter 3:1-15a; Mark 13:1-23

Worship Leader: Renee Collins Bradford; Music, Carol Detweiler

12/10: Second Sunday of Advent

Psalm 21; Jer. 30:18-24; 1 Thess. 5:1-11; Mark 13:24-37

Worship Leader: Eliza Griffith; Music, Aaron Griffith

Pray for Mennonite Missions: For the past months, Connie and Dennis Byler have been visiting congregations in the United States. Pray for them as they return to Spain for the final weeks of their 45-year ministry through Mennonite Mission Network and as they continue to share the gospel in “retirement” in Spain.

Today, following worship, reception to celebrate 50th wedding anniversary of John and Alma Shertzer (belated)! Please join us.

Upcoming Durham Mennonite Dates:

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

Today, Nov. 12, 12:00-4:00 pm - Guns to Garden Tools, Presented by RAW Tools (rawtools.org). An art fair and raffle, with proceeds going to North Carolinians Against Gun Violence. In addition to art and sculpture demonstration, there will be food, children's projects, a gospel choir, and booths by NCGV and Moms Demand Action. **Raleigh Mennonite Church, 1116 N. Blount St., Raleigh.**

Tuesday, Nov. 21, 11:45 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. – Durham Congregations In Action lunch and Multi-Faith Thanksgiving Program, Trinity United Methodist Church, 215 N Church St., downtown Durham. Lunch is \$7.

Thursday, Nov. 30, 5:30-7:30pm - Durham CROP Walk Banquet (Durham Lions Club Scout Center 1850 Hillandale Road Durham, NC 27705). Come celebrate a great Durham CROP Hunger Walk Year. Over \$150,000 raised this year. We are now the 2nd largest walk in the country! We will be passing out checks to the local hunger fighting agencies that we support, and giving out the sneaker awards for the highest fundraising congregations!

Sunday, Dec. 3 – Communion at the Lord’s Table, Potluck Fellowship Meal after worship.



My Peace I Give You

***DURHAM
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*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.*