

# Durham Mennonite Church

**July 5, 2020 Order of Worship**

**Gathering** - 10:15 to 10:30

**Call to Worship** - Marcia

**Hymn** – I sing the mighty power of God

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eeSoE1Kmmv0>

**Hymn** – Praise to the Lord Almighty

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=roxlm\\_gCb7c](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=roxlm_gCb7c)

**Prayer of Confession and Words of Assurance** – Marcia

**Scripture** – Song of Solomon 2:8-13

**Message** – Rachel Taylor

**Response to message** – Jackie

**Praises and Prayer requests** – Jackie

**The Lord's Prayer** – Jackie

**Hymn** – Praise God from whom all blessings flow

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9Gc8ZZdjVkg>

**Benediction** – Marcia

## **Opening Prayer**

God of creation,  
you are the source of summer's splendor—  
the beauty and fragrance of delicate flowers,  
and sweet sound of birdsong.  
We come to you this morning  
with delight and gladness,  
grateful for all of your wonders.  
As the fields produce their harvest,  
may your love grow within us,  
that we too may produce a harvest  
of love, hope, and joy. Amen.

## **Call to Worship (Song of Solomon 2, Psalm 45)**

Look to the mountains; look to the hills!  
**Love comes to us with joy!**  
The world is filled with beauty.  
**Flowers appear on the earth,  
birdsong brightens the day.**  
Crops yield their produce in abundance,  
the air is filled with sweetness.  
**God's wonders are on display  
where ever we turn our eyes.**  
Let the oil of gladness anoint your souls.  
**Arise and sing for joy!**

## **Hymn – I sing the mighty power of God**

## **Hymn - Praise to the Lord God Almighty**

### **Prayer of Confession (James 1, Mark 7)**

God of justice and righteousness,  
your call beckons to us:  
to live faithful lives,  
to turn from wickedness,  
to walk in your ways;  
yet it is so easy to turn aside:  
to speak a thoughtless word,  
to ignore those in need,  
to strike out in anger,  
to forget your ways.  
Forgive us.  
Implant your word in our hearts,  
and cleanse us from all evil.  
By the power of your love,  
save our souls,  
that we might faithfully serve you. Amen.

### **Words of Assurance (Psalm 45, James 1)**

God's word has the power to save your soul.  
God has anointed you with gladness.  
You are forgiven so that you may live in joy!

## **Song of Solomon 2:8-13**

### **New International Version (NIV)**

<sup>8</sup> Listen! My beloved!

Look! Here he comes,  
leaping across the mountains,  
bounding over the hills.

<sup>9</sup> My beloved is like a gazelle or a young stag.

Look! There he stands behind our wall,  
gazing through the windows,  
peering through the lattice.

<sup>10</sup> My beloved spoke and said to me,

“Arise, my darling,  
my beautiful one, come with me.

<sup>11</sup> See! The winter is past;

the rains are over and gone.

<sup>12</sup> Flowers appear on the earth;

the season of singing has come,  
the cooing of doves  
is heard in our land.

<sup>13</sup> The fig tree forms its early fruit;

the blossoming vines spread their fragrance.

Arise, come, my darling;

my beautiful one, come with me.”

## **Message - Rachel Taylor**

### **Response to message**

### **Praises and prayer requests**

#### **The Lord's Prayer**

Our Father in heaven,  
Hallowed be your name,  
Your kingdom come,  
Your will be done,  
On earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
As we forgive those who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial  
And deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours  
Now and forever. Amen

#### **Hymn – [Praise God from whom all blessings flow](#)**

## **Benediction**

God of abundant love,  
you delight us with your grace—  
grace expressed in the beauty of our world.

God of truth and light,  
you challenge us to live faithful lives—  
to turn away from evil,  
to follow your ways,  
to serve your people.

May your word of truth grow within us this day,  
that we may bring forth a harvest of peace. Amen.