

# **Durham Mennonite Church**

**October 25, 2020 - Order of Worship**

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

**Announcements – Marcia Nice**

**Opening Prayer**

**Call to Worship – Psalm 90:1-6, 13-17**

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# **Announcements**

## **Opening Prayer**

Lord, we remember the many ways in which you have helped and saved us, from generation to generation. Be with us this day as we listen for your word for us in our time. Touch our hearts this morning with your healing mercy, for we ask this in Jesus' name. AMEN.

## **Call to Worship - Psalm 90:1-6, 13-17**

### **A prayer of Moses the man of God.**

- <sup>1</sup> Lord, you have been our dwelling place  
throughout all generations.
- <sup>2</sup> Before the mountains were born  
or you brought forth the whole world,  
from everlasting to everlasting you are God.
- <sup>3</sup> You turn people back to dust,  
saying, “Return to dust, you mortals.”
- <sup>4</sup> A thousand years in your sight  
are like a day that has just gone by,  
or like a watch in the night.
- <sup>5</sup> Yet you sweep people away in the sleep of death—  
they are like the new grass of the morning:
- <sup>6</sup> In the morning it springs up new,  
but by evening it is dry and withered.
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- <sup>13</sup> Relent, LORD! How long will it be?  
Have compassion on your servants.
- <sup>14</sup> Satisfy us in the morning with your unfailing love,  
that we may sing for joy and be glad all our days.
- <sup>15</sup> Make us glad for as many days as you have afflicted us,  
for as many years as we have seen trouble.
- <sup>16</sup> May your deeds be shown to your servants,  
your splendor to their children.
- <sup>17</sup> May the favor<sup>[a]</sup> of the Lord our God rest on us;  
establish the work of our hands for us—  
yes, establish the work of our hands.

# **Hymn – Oh God, Our Help in Ages Past**

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

## **Prayer of Confession**

Merciful and gracious God, we gather here this day,  
coming together seeking your healing wisdom.  
Our lives at times are filled with anxiety and fears.  
We turn our backs on people in need  
and close ourselves away from opportunities to serve.  
Confusion and anger abound in our nation and in our  
hearts. Forgive us when we have chosen the pathways of  
greed and fear instead of the high way of peace and hope.  
Calm our spirits and teach us again to turn to you in love.  
To love our neighbor as we ourselves would want to be  
loved, as you have loved us.  
It is in Jesus' name that we offer this prayer. AMEN.

## **Assurance of Grace**

God's love has been poured over us  
to heal and nourish our thirsting spirits.  
We have been forgiven!  
Now we are challenged to go forth  
in peace and hope to a hurting world.  
Thanks be to God for all God's mercies  
shown continually to each one of us. AMEN.

# Offering and Prayer of Dedication

From the abundant ways in which God has blessed our lives, let us share our tithes and offerings in joy and gratitude.

As you have poured your healing love into our lives, O God, we offer our tithes, talents and our whole lives to you.

Let them be used in ministries of peace and justice through the work of this church in your world. AMEN.

## Scripture – Deuteronomy 24:1-12

### The Death of Moses

**34** Then Moses climbed Mount Nebo from the plains of Moab to the top of Pisgah, across from Jericho. There the LORD showed him the whole land—from Gilead to Dan, <sup>2</sup> all of Naphtali, the territory of Ephraim and Manasseh, all the land of Judah as far as the Mediterranean Sea, <sup>3</sup> the Negev and the whole region from the Valley of Jericho, the City of Palms, as far as Zoar. <sup>4</sup> Then the LORD said to him, “This is the land I promised on oath to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob when I said, ‘I will give it to your descendants.’ I have let you see it with your eyes, but you will not cross over into it.”

<sup>5</sup> And Moses the servant of the LORD died there in Moab, as the LORD had said. <sup>6</sup> He buried him<sup>[a]</sup> in Moab, in the valley opposite Beth Peor, but to this day no one knows where his grave is. <sup>7</sup> Moses was a hundred and twenty years old when

he died, yet his eyes were not weak nor his strength gone. <sup>8</sup> The Israelites grieved for Moses in the plains of Moab thirty days, until the time of weeping and mourning was over.

<sup>9</sup> Now Joshua son of Nun was filled with the spirit<sup>[b]</sup> of wisdom because Moses had laid his hands on him. So the Israelites listened to him and did what the LORD had commanded Moses.

<sup>10</sup> Since then, no prophet has risen in Israel like Moses, whom the LORD knew face to face, <sup>11</sup> who did all those signs and wonders the LORD sent him to do in Egypt—to Pharaoh and to all his officials and to his whole land. <sup>12</sup> For no one has ever shown the mighty power or performed the awesome deeds that Moses did in the sight of all Israel.

## **Message – Jonathan Larson**

### **Musical Meditation Video**

On Jordan's Stormy Banks

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4bJiHaRZFS0>

## **Reflection Time - Marcia**

## **Praises and Prayer Concerns - Marcia**

### **The Lord's Prayer - Congregation**

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 - What a Day that will Be**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ycz4s2xwDhc>

### **Benediction - Jonathan Larson**