

Welcome to **Boulder Mennonite Church**

Sunday, June 29, 2025

A Service of Song and Prayer in a Taizé – Mennonite style



"Have you seen how the wildflowers grow? Not even Chieftain Solomon...was dressed as well as even one of these. (from Matt. 6, First Nations Version) Crested Butte Wildflower Sunset, Mickey Shannon, Contemporary art

Join the service at 9:30 a.m. Sunday morning:

Zoom link: or call in: Dial 253 215 8782, then enter Meeting ID: 283 224 109# **Or** join us via our audio stream: Spreaker

Welcome to the worship service today.

We hope it is meaningful for you and welcome you to join us again.

As a Christian community, called by Jesus to be inclusive, caring, and peace-minded, we affirm that people of any race, ethnic identity, gender identity, sexual orientation, ability, age, economic status, or life situation are welcome to be in full participation in our congregation and in our denomination, MC USA.

Boulder Mennonite Church acknowledges that we are gathering on the traditional territory of Indigenous Peoples. It was inhabited by the Ute, Cheyenne, Arapaho and Ochethi Sakowin Peoples. We affirm that settlers have specific responsibilities in the journey of reconciliation with Indigenous Peoples.



Prelude

Boulder Mennonite Church is a vibrant, Jesus-centered community welcoming all people to know God and to be ambassadors of God's love, healing, and peace.

You are invited to find a posture of prayer that suits you, either seated on the floor, or in a chair, or standing, or kneeling.

Welcome		
Opening Songs	Be still and know	37
	Great is thy faithfulness	419
	Come and fill our hearts	52
Psalm	Psalm 46	
Sung response	Heleluyan	85

After each portion of the psalm is read, the Response "Heleluyan" will be sung. Continue to hum the final chord from the Response as the next portion of the psalm is read. The singing of "Heleluyan" on the Trail of Tears was a bold testament to the importance of Christian faith for the Muscogee people, demonstrating that their faith was more powerful than their abuse by the U.S. government.

One: God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

All: Heleluyan

One: Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should change,

though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea; though its waters roar

and foam, though the mountains tremble with its tumult.

All: Heleluyan

One: There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,

the holy habitation of the Most High. God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be moved; God will help it when the morning dawns.

All: Heleluyan

One: The nations are in an uproar, the empires totter; God's voice utters,

the earth melts. The Holy One is with us; the Eternal One is our refuge!

All: Heleluyan

Come, behold the works of our God—God makes the earth bounteous! God has One: put an end to war, from one end of the earth to the other, breaking bows, splintering spears, and setting chariots on fire. All: Heleluyan "Be still and know that I am God! I am exalted among the nations, I am exalted One: in the earth." The Holy One is with us; the Eternal One is our refuge! Heleluyan All: Offering Please place your prayer requests in the basket with your offering. At home: please type your prayer requests into the "Chat" column on Zoom or send them via email at least 2hrs prior to the worship service. Or click here to donate online. Offertory A Moment for All Ages Reading Galatians 5.1, 13-25 Song Praise with joy the world's Creator 428 Reading Menno Simons, True Evangelical Faith Seek ye first 417 Meditation Silent Meditation The people may take time to silently pray Song Lord, listen to your children praying 682 Prayers of Concern Kyrie eleison 678

Please sing after each intercession

Put peace into each other's hands, vv. 1, 2

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Song

Passing of the Peace

Announcements

Concluding Prayer

Departing Song

May the peace of Christ be with you

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Resources used in worship:

Scripture adapted from The Inclusive Bible, Priests for Equality, and *The Message* by E. Peterson

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VT 85 Heleluyan, Carl P. Daw Jr., Glory to God: A Companion (Louisville, KY: Westminster John Knox Press, 2016), 642.

Simons, Menno. *The Complete Works of Menno Simons*, trans. Leonard Verduin, ed. J.C. Wenger. Scottdale, PA: Herald Press, 1956, p. 241.

What is Taizé-style worship? Taizé worship is an ecumenical type of worship, reaching people worldwide. It originated in the small village of Taizé, which lies in the southern part of Burgundy, France, by a monk named Roger Louis Schutz-Marsauche. Since its founding, the practice has spread worldwide since it is non-denominational and seeks to unite all people who follow the Way of Jesus and beyond. Its peaceful, contemplative nature has drawn millions from all over the world to enter into this kind of worship, particularly youth and young adults.



Taizé worship invites you to pray at times in simple, repetitive ways. We have adapted it for our own Mennonites style of worship, including hymns and songs. May the images in our sanctuary, the candlelight, the music, prayers, silence and singing bring you into communion with God, with those assembled, and with your own spirit! <u>Learn more here.</u>

Thanks to all who contributed to our service today!

Speaker: Pastor Randy Spaulding

Worship Leader: Berit Jany

Readers: Sandi Sanborn, Michelene Fast **Music:** Randy Spaulding, Susan Graber

Tech Support: Alfred Sawatzky

Greeters: Karl Ortman, Sheng Wheeler, Mai Wheeler

Snacks: Susan Graber, Gus Gouvas

Moment for All Ages: Mary McKay

June 23: Attendance: 31 Offering: \$5,550

TODAY at BMC

9:30a Worship and mingling

11:00a No Education hour. Summer schedule. 4:00p Heretics, Heresy, (dis)Harmony small group

THIS WEEK at BMC

7/1 Deacons meeting, 8:30a

7/2 Meditation small group, 11am

NEXT SUNDAY – July 6: 14th Sunday in the Season of Ordinary Time

9:30am Worship and mingling

11:00am No education hour – summer schedule

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Greeters: Elvira Glenn, Laura Minter

Moment for All Ages: Carole Suderman

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COMING UP

7/8-12	Follow Jesus '25: MC USA National Convention
7/9	Centering Prayer/Meditation small group, 11a
7/20	Holy Humor Sunday – get those corny Dad jokes ready!
7/20	BMC Annual Meeting – all invited to attend, following worship
7/20	BMC Bingo! Prizes, Pizza, Popcorn, 2-3:30p
7/23	Centering Prayer/Meditation small group, 11a
8/1-3	MSMC Assembly, Colorado Mountain College, Glennwood Springs
9/4	PCRC meets, 9am

~PRAYERS~

- ~from **Susan Graber**: For the situation in Iran, may political leaders find a way to true peace and cease making weapons and using them.
- ~from Paul: Pray for peace, not war.
- ~from **Susan Graber**: Prayers of hope for the **Gomba-Dinda family**, who have their asylum interview this Thursday, June 26.
- ~from **Demi Ryan**: Financial and family safety no more beatings for financial security. Prayers that mothers will seek safety and move on from abuse.
- ~from **Susan Graber**: Prayers of comfort for our dear friend, **Barb**, whose 50-yr old son died suddenly of a massive heart attack this week.
- ~for **Paul McKay**, who will have a partial right knee replacement on Wednesday, July 2. Prayers for his medical team and for a successful procedure and healing.

July Birthdays	July Birthdays	
3 – Ezra Tice	7 – Teresa Troester-Falk	
6 – Elvira Glenn	11 – Finn Osborne-Gowey	

Please let us know if we failed to acknowledge your special day. We want to celebrate you!

~ANNOUNCEMENTS~

Please call in or email (<u>info@bouldermennonite.org</u>) announcements by Thursday, 7:00am. <u>**DEACONS**</u>: Paul Classen: 316-217-2355; Cheri Krause: 510-227-9712; Toni Diaz Bachus: 303-579-4290

<u>PASTOR RANDY'S OFFICE HOURS:</u> Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday: 8am to 2pm. Friday: 9am to noon (subject to visitation/meetings). Appointments/call-aheads are encouraged. Pastor Randy normally takes Monday as a Sabbath.

<u>CHURCH ADMINSTRATOR</u>: No office hours at this time. Please call the church office or email <u>churchadmin@bouldermennonite.org</u> for inquiries and to leave messages.

~ IN OUR COMMUNITY~

BINGO!: Sunday, July 20th from 2-3:30pm, Boulder Mennonite Church will host its first, free bingo event. Please see Cheri Krause about contributing to the event. We still need pizzas for the event and lots of new, unopened, prizes of approximately \$5. You can add prizes to the greyish-green bin in the back of the sanctuary labeled BINGO prizes. Mark your calendars and invite your friends and neighbors! This is an outreach to our local community. Invite your friends!

EPIC (Ecumenical Project for International Cooperation) thanks BMC for your recent gift of support for our work in Honduras. Honduras is now suffering deep cuts in U.S. funding. Two thirds of the country lives in poverty or extreme poverty. EPIC's program of increasing food sovereignty with Tempisque Rice and promotion of sustainable organic farming is helping approximately 300 families this year to grow sufficient food and often provides additional food for other families locally.

~ ACROSS THE ANABAPTIST COMMUNITY~

TRANSPORT OF MCC SCHOOL KITS AND HYGIENE KITS from Kansas to South Texas needed! Mennonite Central Committee is looking for anyone traveling between North Newton and Dallas or (even better) all the way to South Texas between now and mid-August. We have kits in Kansas that need to get to Texas, and we'd love to utilize vehicles that are already going that direction to save resources. If you might be able to help MCC out, please contact Brocia Mueller at brociamueller@mcc.org or call Brocia at 316.836.5054.

MCC PEACE CAMP AT ROCKY MOUNTAIN MENNONITE CAMP: Sept. 21-27, Divide,

CO - How can we live out God's call for justice and reconciliation through nonviolence in a world that is built on the myth of redemptive violence? If you are a young adult (age 18-30) concerned about the state of our world and energized to reimagine society built on God's vision of love and justice for all, come join us for a week of experiential learning rooted in theological reflection, peacebuilding practices, and real-world application. Register by August 31. Pass this opportunity on to young adults in your life!

FT. COLLINS 500-50: Can you believe that Fort Collins Mennonite Fellowship (FCMF) has been around for 50 years – and the Mennonites have been around for 500 years!

FCMF will be holding a special "500-50" anniversary event on Sunday, September 14, 2025, from 10 AM to 2 PM. We are celebrating our successful work with marginalized communities in Fort Collins. Please celebrate with us. The event will involve:

• Special worship service at 10 AM with lots of singing and testimonials from current and former members of the homeless community.

- Delicious potluck lunch at noon, across the street in Library Park.
- Live entertainment at 1 PM by Betwixt n Between, a wonderful bluegrass/gospel band.
- Exhibits by local partners and vendors throughout the afternoon.

~ IN THE LARGER COMMUNITY ~

MENNONITE MISSION NETWORK JUST PEACE PILGRIMAGES:

- <u>Solidarity with Indigenous Peoples</u> Engage with contemporary Indigenous realities, explore the histories of Indigenous Peoples, and examine the complexities of Indigenous settler relations. What might it mean for your community to stand in solidarity with Indigenous Peoples and actively contribute to the work of truth telling and repair? **Date:** October 7-11, 2025; register by August 1.
- <u>Civil Rights Pilgrimage</u> Led by MC USA Executive Director Glen Guyton, this young-adult focused, multiracial pilgrimage through the southern United States fosters shared learning and deep understanding of the racial divides that our society perpetuates. Date:
 October 28-November 2, 2025; register by September 15. To register for these pilgrimages or to inquire about scheduling a group trip, email Stephanie Weaver at Stephanie W@MennoniteMission.net.

ECOLOGY TIP: If you're having a Fourth of July party, choose local and organic food options. Shop at the local farmer's market. This supports independent agriculture and reduces the carbon footprint associated with long distance transportation. Grill sustainably by opting for plant-based alternatives or locally raised meats. Put any leftovers into reusable containers rather than using plastic wrap. Let it be Independence Day from plastics!





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