



Welcome to Boulder Mennonite Church

Sunday, July 6, 2025

14th Sunday in the Season of Ordinary Time

A Service of the Word



Pale Blue Dot: Earth (center dot) from 4 billion miles away. Picture taken in 1990 by the Voyager spacecraft, launched in 1977, now more than 14.5 billion miles from home)

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.



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.

GATHERING

Prelude

*Singing

For the beauty of the earth, vv. 1, 2, 5

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Call to Worship

Leader: Here is light for our journey:

All: *for the spark of hope, the warmth of love, the fire of commitment,
the energy of action, the flaring forth of peace.*

Here is light for our journey.

Let us celebrate life. Let us worship God!

Welcome

CELEBRATING & PRAISING

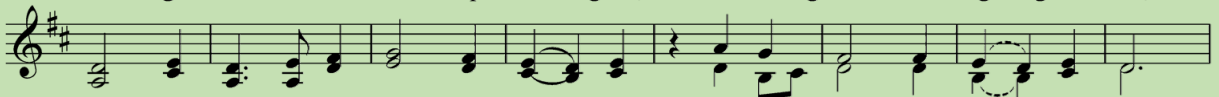
Singing

Blue Boat Home

Words: Peter Mayer; Music: HYFRYDOL Richard Pritchard, 1830.



1. Though be - low me I feel no mo - tion stand - ing on these moun-tainsand plains.
2. Sun my sail and moon my rud - der as I ply the star - ry sea,
3. We give thanks to the waves up - hold - ing us, hail the great winds urg - ing us on,



Far a - way from the rol - ling o - cean still my dry land heart can say:
lean - ing o - ver the edge in won - der, cast - ing ques - tions in - to the deep.
greet the in - fi - nite sea be - fore us, sing the sky our sai - lor's song:



I've been sail - ing all my life now, nev - er har - bor or
Drift - ing here with my ship's com - pan - ions, all we kin - dred
We were born up - on the fath - oms, nev - er har - bor or



Centering Prayer Singing

Longing for light, vv. 1, 2, 5

adapted from Psalm 66.1-9

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Passing the Peace

Offering Invitation/Blessing

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

HEARING

A Moment for All Ages

Gospel Reading

Luke 10.1-11

After this, Jesus appointed seventy-two other disciples, and sent them on ahead in pairs to every town and place he intended to visit. He said to them, **"The harvest is rich, but the workers are few; therefore, ask the overseer to send workers to the harvest.**

"Be on your way and remember: I am sending you as lambs in the midst of wolves.

Don't carry a walking stick or knapsack; wear no sandals and greet no one along the way.

And whatever house you enter, first say, **'Peace be upon this house!'** If the people live peaceably there, your peace will rest on them; if not, it will come back to you. Stay in that house, eating and drinking what they give you, for the laborer is worth a wage. Don't keep moving from house to house.

"And whatever city you enter, after they welcome you, eat what they set before you and heal those who are sick in that town. Say to them, **'The reign of God has drawn near to you.'** If the people of any town you enter don't welcome you, go into its streets and say,

‘We shake the dust of this town from our feet as testimony against you. But know that the reign of God has drawn near.’”

New Testament Reading

Galatians 6.1-10, 15

Sisters and Brothers, if a person is caught doing something wrong, you who are spiritual should restore someone like this with a spirit of gentleness. Watch out for yourselves so you won't be tempted too. Carry each other's burdens and so you will fulfill the law of the Anointed One. If anyone thinks they are important when they aren't, they're fooling themselves. Each person should test their own work and be happy with doing a good job and not compare themselves with others. Each person will have to carry their own load.

Those who are taught the word should share all good things with their teacher. Make no mistake, God is not mocked. A person will harvest what they plant. Those who plant only for their own benefit will harvest devastation from their selfishness, but those who plant for the benefit of the Spirit will harvest eternal life from the Spirit. Let's not get tired of doing good, because in time we'll have a harvest if we don't give up. So then, let's work for the good of all whenever we have an opportunity, and especially for those in the household of faith.

Being circumcised or not being circumcised doesn't mean anything. What counts is whether we really have been changed into new and different people – a new creation.

Singing

We are people of God's peace, vv. 1, 4

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Now Testament Visual Reading

Carl Sagan, *Pale Blue Dot*

Reflection

Love and Service Beyond Borders

RESPONDING

Singing

This is my song

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Sharing Joys and Concerns

Prayers of the People

Response: Spirit of Peace, *hear our prayer.*

SENDING

Announcements

***Benediction**

***Sending Song**

Dona nobis pacem

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Resources used in worship:

Scripture adapted from The Inclusive Bible, Priests for Equality; Contemporary English Bible; The Message
~Carl Sagan, from "Pale Blue Dot: A Vision of the Human Future in Space," 1977

Thanks to all who contributed to our service today!

Speaker:	Pastor Randy Spaulding
Worship Leader:	Sandi Sanborn
Readers:	Becky Neumann, Bruce Wheeler
Music:	Elleanna Voran, Bruce Fast
Tech Support:	Steve Voran, Elleanna Voran
Greeters:	Elvira Glenn, Karl Ortman
Snacks:	Michelene Fast, Gus Gouvas
Moment for All Ages:	Carole Suderman

June 29: Attendance: 34 Offering: \$2,195

TODAY at BMC

9:30a	Worship and mingling
11:00a	No education hour – summer schedule

NEXT SUNDAY – July 13: Faith Sharing; 13th Sunday in the Season of Ordinary Time

9:30am	Worship and mingling
11:00am	No education hour – summer schedule

Guest Speaker:	Brenda Fox
Worship Leader:	Becky Neumann
Readers:	Cheri Krause, Toni Diaz Bachus
Music:	Susan Graber, Jean McPherson
Tech Support:	Bruce Wheeler, Steve Voran
Greeters:	Carole Suderman, Toni Diaz Bachus
Snacks:	Sheng & Mai Wheeler, Gus Gouvas
Moment for all Ages:	Judy Classen

COMING UP

7/8-12	Follow Jesus '25: MC USA National Convention
7/9	Centering Prayer/Meditation small group, 11a
7/17	Church Council, 5p
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
8/23	BMC Ice Cream Social (with special guest musicians?)
8/27	BMC mini-Service Learning Project: Habitat for Humanity at the BoulderMod
9/4	PCRC meets, 9am
9/14	Ft. Collins Mennonite 50 th Anniversary celebration, 10am-2pm

~PRAYERS~

- ~from **Tammie Bernstein**: Prayers for my youngest daughter, **Oriana**, who has just been diagnosed with MS. May the treatments help halt the progression of the disease.
- ~from **Community Peacemaker Teams** – Pray for: **lasting peace in the Middle East**; an immediate **end to Turkish military operations** in Iraqi Kurdistan; **protection and strength for farmers and villagers** who live under constant threat from bombs and falling missiles; **provision and resilience for the employees and families** struggling to survive amid economic hardship.
- ~from **Mennonite World Conference**: Income inequality has increased homelessness across Canada. Erratic application of punitive tariffs adds to financial challenges. Pray for compassionate responses from people within communities and not just non-profit organizations.

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 (info@bouldermennonite.org) announcements by Thursday, 7:00am.

DEACONS: Paul Classen: 316-217-2355; Cheri Krause: 510-227-9712; Toni Diaz Bachus: 303-579-4290

PASTOR RANDY'S OFFICE HOURS: 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.

CHURCH ADMINSTRATOR: No office hours at this time. Please call the church office or email churchadmin@bouldermennonite.org 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!

ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING: Please join us for our annual congregational meeting on Sunday, July 20th, during the 11am hour.

HOLY HUMOR – WACKY SOCK SUNDAY, JULY 20! Start collecting your jokes and stories for our Holy Humor Sunday on July 20. It's one of our most popular Sundays of the year, and it's full of good, healthy laughter. There is no sermon; rather, the members of the congregation tell humorous stories and jokes. Kids and youth are especially encouraged to make us adults lighten up! **In honor of BMC's beloved Gretchen Williams, all are invited to wear your colorful, wacky socks on Holy Humor Sunday!**



BMC ICE CREAM SOCIAL, Saturday, August 23rd, 6pm. Homemade sweets and music! Look for more info coming soon from the Deacons. Mark your calendars.

BMC SERVICE-LEARNING PROJECT: Look for information from the Deacons coming soon on ways that you can learn and serve with [Habitat for Humanity Flatirons BoulderMOD](#). Tentative date: Saturday, September 27, 9am-3pm.

NEW DEACON SEARCH Begins: BMC is beginning the discernment process for a new deacon, as Paul Classen ends his term(s) this fall. A deacon discernment form is available at the back of the sanctuary, due July 20. Please prayerfully consider which engaged, active participant or active member may serve in this key role at BMC, and submit your nominations a.s.a.p. Thank you!

~ ACROSS THE ANABAPTIST COMMUNITY ~

MSMC Wholehearted Hospitality - Annual Assembly 2025: [Mountain States Mennonite Conference](#) is excited to gather with you in Glenwood Springs for a weekend of worship, celebration, and renewal. Our location, Spring Valley Campus, offers over 7 miles of trails designed for both mountain biking and hiking. Bring your bike if you have one, or challenge yourself to hike as many loops as you can. The trails wind through pinon and juniper forests, sage, and cactus, and offer views of Mt. Sopris. Here are just a few: **SV Summit Trail**: A trail that offers a climb to the summit with views of Mt. Sopris and the Elk Mountains. **Dreamer**: A 1-mile (2,500-step) route. This route has an elevation gain of about 0 ft and is rated as easy. **Spring Valley Loop**: A 13.6-mile loop combining Red Canyon Road and CMC Road, suitable for running, road biking, and mountain biking. [Register](#) by June 30—the fee increases Tuesday, July 1.

OBITUARY: Gail Lloyd, a member of Carlsbad Mennonite, recently passed away. She lived a life of teaching, service, and creativity and will be greatly missed. Read the obituary [here](#).

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!

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.

~ IN THE LARGER COMMUNITY ~

MC USA FOLLOW JESUS '25: The MC USA Delegate Assembly is Friday, July 11, at the Sheraton Greensboro at Four Seasons in Greensboro, North Carolina. Delegate resources, including the agenda, bylaws, proposed bylaw changes, previous minutes and proposed resolutions, will be posted on MC USA's Delegate Assembly website, as they are available. See the web page [here](#). Follow along online [here](#). MC USA lives into its Accessibility Resolution by removing barriers and providing resources to make the Follow Jesus '25 convention accessible to all. Learn more [here](#). Pray for Pastor Randy as he serves as our BMC delegate, leads a seminar and leads in worship.

MENNO SNAPSHOTS: As part of MC USA's Learn, Pray, Join: Undoing Patriarchy blog series, Sheri Hostetler shares how a dream about her deceased mother reminded her about our need to care for Earth, just as her mother took care of the household. Read her thoughts [here](#).

LEARN, PRAY, JOIN: In her blog for MC USA's Learn, Pray, Join: Undoing Patriarchy series, Hannah Geiser shares that as a child, she felt the need to hide the feminine side of herself, so she could excel at soccer, but as she grew, she realized that she was hiding part of herself. Read more about her experience [here](#).

ECOLOGY TIP: Are you looking for non-toxic ways to discourage rabbits from grazing on your garden plants? Just like some solutions to squirrel problems don't pan out, you may have to try several before you can really keep the bunnies from your buffet. The best solution, of course, is to surround your plants with chicken wire or other fencing. It's a good idea to bury it at least 6 inches since rabbits love to dig. They also do not like strong scents, so try scattering: chili powder, cayenne, and chopped onion or garlic.



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