

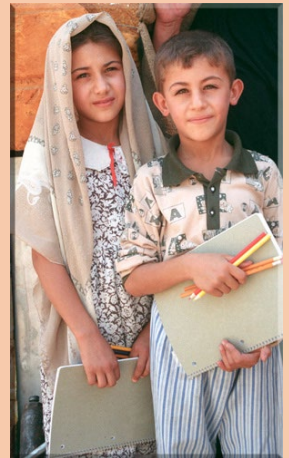


Welcome to Boulder Mennonite Church

Sunday, October 5th, 2025

27th Sunday in the Season of Ordinary Time – School Kit Sunday

A Service of the Word – The Word in Service



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 Ojethi 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

Morning has broken

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Call to Worship

Leader: God of love, light a flame of love in our hearts to you;

All: *A flame of love to our families, friends and neighbors,
a flame of love to every child, a flame of love to our enemies.*

Leader: Light a flame of love in our hearts to all,

All: *from the lowliest thing that lives,
to that which is Eternal and Above All. Amen.*

Welcome

CELEBRATING & PRAISING

Singing

Hope for the Children

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Words: Douglas Clark, 1980; Music Henri Herny, ST CATHERINE

1. Hope for the chil - dren in our midst, fac - ing a world that's con - flict-torn;
2. Ru - mors of war sound ev - 'ry-where, whis - per - ing, *There's no chance for peace.*
3. Peace is the goal of all we do; Love leads to jus - tice on the earth;
4. Hope for the chil - dren yet to be; Pray they may find years free from war.

All that they ask is time to grow, and live the years for which they'reborn.
Yet for all chil - dren that we love we will not yield till hate shall cease.
Let jus - tice flow like wa - ters clear, so we may see the world's re - birth!
Let us make plow-shares of all swords, har-vest-ing life healed ev - er - more!



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

New Testament Reading

2 Timothy 1.6-14

I want to remind you to fan into flame the gift of God, which is in you through the laying on of my hands. For God didn't give us a spirit of timidity, but a spirit of power, of love, of self-discipline.

So don't be ashamed to give your testimony about the Anointed One, and don't be ashamed of me, the Anointed One's prisoner. But join with me in suffering for the Gospel by the power of God, who has saved us and called us to a holy life—not because of anything we have done, but because of God's own purpose and grace. This grace was given to us in the Anointed Jesus before the beginning of time, but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior Jesus the Anointed, who has destroyed death, and brought life and immortality to light through the Gospel.

And it was for this Gospel that I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher. That's why I'm suffering as I am. Yet I'm not ashamed, because I know whom I have believed, and I'm convinced that Jesus the Anointed is able to guard what has been entrusted to me until that final Day.

Take what you have heard me say as a model of sound teaching, in faith and love in the Anointed Jesus. Guard the rich deposit of faith with the help of the Holy spirit, who dwells within us.

Singing

Take my life and let it be consecrated, vv. 1, 2

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Message

Blessings Shared and Received

RESPONDING

*Singing

With joy we gather

Text: RLS Tune: THE WATER IS WIDE

1. With joy we gath - er, hearts a - flame, to serve the
2. For some have lit - tle, naught to spare; these gifts pro -
3. Bless all who guide, who teach, who lead, who guard the

child - ren in God's name. Through pen - cils, books, and pa - per
claim how much we care. O bless each kit, O God, we
child - ren's dai - ly need. May wis - dom, cour - age, love im -

bright, we share God's love, God's hope and light.
pray: tools for new life, for hope this day.
part new strength and vis - ion, mind and heart.

The musical score is written for a three-part setting (Soprano, Alto, and Bass) in 3/4 time, key of D major. It consists of three systems of staves. The first system contains the first three lines of the hymn. The second system contains the next three lines. The third system contains the final three lines. The lyrics are printed below the staves, with line numbers 1, 2, and 3 indicating the different parts of the hymn.

Sharing Joys and Concerns
Prayers of the People
Announcements

WORSHIP in ACTION:

PREPARING SCHOOL KITS for Mennonite Central Committee

Blessing for School Kits

LET'S WORSHIP THRU SERVICE!

Resources used in worship:

Scripture adapted from The Inclusive Bible, Priests for Equality

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The United Methodist Church, PO Box 340003, Nashville TN 37203. Website www.gbod.org/worship .

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Thanks to all who contributed to our service today!

Speaker:	Pastor Randy Spaulding
Worship Leader:	Toni Diaz
Readers:	Jen Dudenhefer
Music:	Elleanna Voran, Bruce Fast
Tech Support:	Mike & Frances Tice
Greeters:	Elvira Glenn, Douglas Minter
Snacks:	Cindy Firnhaber
School Kit Organizer:	Gwen Grasse

September 28 – Attendance: 43 Offering: \$2,829

TODAY at BMC

9:30am **Worship and Connecting:** Assembling **School Kits** for Mennonite Central Committee to distribute around the world. **DONATE** towards the cost of supplies. **Write a check** with “MCC School Kits” written on the memo line or **put a little cash into the bucket** on the snack table.

THIS WEEK at BMC

10/8 Meditation/Centering Prayer small group, 11a
10/9 Church Council, 5p

NEXT SUNDAY – October 12, 2025: Guest Speaker Karen Cox

9:30am Worship
10:45am Connecting time and Snacks
11:00am Education Hour: Book of Isaiah. Ezra Tice, Facilitator (joint adult/youth meet in the sanctuary)

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Worship Leader:	Ezra Tice
Readers:	Lisa Voss, Joanna Harrison
Music:	Susan Graber, Jean McPherson
Tech Support:	Bruce Wheeler, Steve Voran
Greeters:	Carole Suderman, Toni Diaz
Snacks:	Judy Classen
Moment for all Ages:	Karen Cox

COMING UP

10/14	Singing small group, 6:30p
10/17	Deacons meeting, 8:30am
10/18	Relief Sale, Mennonite Central Committee, Castle Rock, CO
10/20	CROP Walk in Boulder
10/22	Meditation/Centering Prayer small group, 11a
11/2	All Souls Sunday
11/5	Meditation/Centering small group, 11a
11/23	BMC Birthday/Auction Sunday
11/27	Thanksgiving Day
11/30	Season of Advent begins

~PRAYERS~

~from **Douglas Minter**: Prayers for **Douglas' sister-in-love, Karla**, whose father, **LeRoy**, passed away this week at 93. **Douglas, and Laura** will be in Indiana, October 11-13 to attend **LeRoy's** memorial service.

~for **Jill Minter**: Prayers for my mom, **Sally**, who is suffering acute symptoms from her COPD illness. She remains under the care of her nursing home providers.

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS		OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES
1 – Toni Diaz	21 – Karen Cox	4 – Cheri Krause & Justin Mathis
3 – Judy Classen	24 – Anne Cox	6 – Jill & Douglas Minter
3 – Joyce Penner	28 – Joanna Harrison	10 – Becky & Alfred Sawatzky
10 – Terry Mast	29 – Steve Ruby	16 – Gwen Grasse & Steve Voran
10 – Carole Suderman	30 – Cat Osborne-Gowey	17 – Elvira & Ed Glenn
19 – Chris Friedman	30 – Eden Harrison	

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: Cheri Krause: 510-227-9712; Toni Diaz Bachus: 303-579-4290; Douglas Minter: 303-819-5248

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~

CROP WALK: There is still time to collect donations to aid the hungry through participation in the Boulder County CROP walk. You can go online and register or just collect checks and cash and give them to Paul Classen. We would love to have a few walkers from Boulder Mennonite, so here are the details:

When: 1:15pm on October 12

Where: BVUUF, 1241 Ceres Drive, Lafayette, CO 80026

Your choice of how far you walk:

Short walk: 2 miles

Long walk: Approximately 6 miles

~ ACROSS THE ANABAPTIST COMMUNITY~

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MENNONITE CHURCH USA UPCOMING EVENT: Eastern Mennonite Seminary and MC USA are hosting an on-location training event at Village Church, Beaverton, Oregon, November 6-8, titled "Practicing Conflict Transformation in Community." This interactive workshop provides conflict resolution tools and restorative practices for community leaders, educators, faith leaders or anyone striving for healthier relationships. Facilitators include MC USA's Sue Park Hur, director of Racial/Ethnic Engagement, and Lorraine Stutzman Amstutz, denominational minister for Peace & Justice. Learn more and register [here](#).

MENNONITE CHURCH USA UPCOMING EVENT: Wondering what's ahead for your health coverage in 2026? Join MC USA for an interactive Zoom meeting on Thursday, Oct. 16 at 11 a.m. PT/2 p.m. ET to explore upcoming changes in the health coverage market and what

they could mean for your premiums. The second half will feature a Q&A time about The Corinthian Plan. Register [here](#).

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~ IN THE LARGER COMMUNITY ~

ECOLOGY TIP: It is now against the law for restaurants in Colorado to use styrofoam, so many businesses have bought compostable take home containers. Unfortunately, A1 Organics has limited what we can compost to only food scraps and yard waste, so we have no place to compost these containers. However, you can still compliment the restaurant for providing compostable items, since their manufacturing is much greener than that of plastic or styrofoam. Ultimately, they will biodegrade in the landfill, whereas styrofoam never will. And of course, the most ecological thing to do is to bring your own containers to take home the delicious leftovers!



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