



Welcome to  
**Boulder Mennonite Church**  
Sunday, May 10, 2026

**A Service of the Word**

*Sixth Sunday in Eastertide/Mother's Day*

*The Cuddle*  
by Gioia Albano



**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 120

**Call to Worship**

**Welcome**

## CELEBRATING & PRAISING

**\*Singing** Breathe On Me, Breath of God 737

**Centering Prayer** 911

**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**

**Hebrew Scripture Reading** Psalms 66:8-20

Bless the Eternal One, all you peoples, let the sound of God's praise be heard! **God has kept us among the living, and has not let our feet slip.** For you have tested us, O God— you have refined us as silver is refined. You put us in prisons and laid burdens on our backs; you let people ride over our heads; we went through fire and through water— and you brought us to a place of abundance and space. **I will come to your house with burnt offerings; I will pay my vows to you, the ones my lips uttered and my mouth promised when I was in trouble. I will present you burnt offerings of fatlings, with the smoke of burning rams; I will make an offering of bulls and goats.**

Come and hear, all who revere God, and I will tell what the Holy One has done for me. I cried aloud to God, and praise was on my tongue. If I had nursed evil in my heart, God would not have listened. **But God did listen, and heeded the voice of my prayer. Blessed be God, who has not rejected my prayer or stopped loving me!**

### **New Testament Reading**

John 14: 15-21

“If you love me and obey the command I give you, I will ask the One who sent me to give you another Paraclete, another Helper to be with you always—**the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot accept since the world neither sees her nor recognizes her; but you can recognize the Spirit because she remains with you and will be within you.** I won’t leave you orphaned; I will come back to you. A little while now and the world will see me no more; but you’ll see me; because I live, and you will live as well. On that day you’ll know that I am in God, and you are in me, and I am in you. **Those who obey the commandments are the ones who love me, and those who love me will be loved by Abba God. I, too, will love them and will reveal myself to them.**”

### **Proclamation**

**I will not leave you as orphans**

## **RESPONDING**

### **\*Singing**

My Shepherd Will Supply My Need

640

**Sharing Joys and Concerns  
Prayers of the People**

## **SENDING**

**Introductions & Announcements**

### **\*Benediction**

### **\*Sending Song**

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

606

\*Please stand as you are able



### **Resources used in worship:**

Scripture adapted from The Inclusive Bible, Priests for Equality

**Thanks to all who contributed to our service today!**

**Speaker:**

Terry Zimmerly

**Worship Leader:**

Becky Neumann

**Moment for All:**

Bruce Wheeler

**Readers:**

Susan Graber, Sandi Sanborn

**Music:** Bruce Fast, Elleanna Voran  
**Tech Support:** Steve Voran  
**Greeters:** Toni Diaz Bachus, Carole Suderman  
**Snacks:** Gus Gouvas, Jill Minter  
**Worship Coordinator:** Judy Classen

**May 3, 2026: Attendance:** 31, +5 online      **Offering:** \$2,356

**TODAY at BMC**

9:30a      Worship  
10:45a      Snacks and Connecting time  
11:00a      Introduction of our transitional ministry

**THIS WEEK at BMC**

Every Tues      Virtual Prayer Circle with Prayerstream, 7:00a [Zoom link](#) Meeting ID: 890  
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5/13      Meditation Group, 11:00a  
5/14      Church Council, 5:00, at church/zoom  
5/15      Deadline for early bird registration for Assembly—see announcement  
5/16      RAWtools toy gun buyback at Glennon Heights—see announcement

**NEXT SUNDAY – May 17, 2026 :**

9:30am      Worship and installation of Terry Zimmerly as our Transitional Minister  
11:00am      Snacks and Connecting time

**Speaker:** Amy Zimbelman  
**Worship Leader:** Sandi Sanborn  
**Readers:** Jen Dudenhefer, Douglas Minter  
**Music:** Judy Classen, Susan Graber  
**Tech Support:** Alfred Sawatzky  
**Greeters:** Paul Classen, Lisa Voss  
**Snacks:** Cindy Firnhaber, Gus Gouvas  
**Worship Coordinator:** Toni Diaz Bachus

**COMING UP**

5/23      Walking Group, 8:00a  
5/27      Meditation Group, 11:00a  
5/31      Heresy, Heretics, and (dis)Harmony small group, 4:00p, location tbd  
7/12      Hymn Sing at First Mennonite, Denver, 1:30p  
7/24-26      **MSMC Annual Assembly, hosted by Boulder Menno!**

## ~PRAYERS~

- ~for Eloise, sister of Judy Classen, who just learned that she has colon cancer. Prayers for wisdom as she makes decisions about future medical plans.
- ~of thanksgiving that Lisa Voss was not injured when her van was hit as it left church last Sunday, and for the bus driver whose head was bumped.
- ~for the committee that is planning the Mountain States Assembly, July 24-26.
- ~of thanksgiving for mothers and others who give motherly love.

May Birthdays		May Anniversaries
1 – Kurt Furnhaber	12 – Hannah Dudenhefer	1 – Susan Graber & Tom Jirak
4 – Erin Dudenhefer	12 – Kelcie Dudenhefer	13 – Duane & Joanna Harrison
7 – Sandi Sanborn	12 – Sheng Wheeler	19 – Linda Hardesty & Chris Friedman
10 – Gwen Grasse	20 – Linda Hardesty	26 – Jen & David Dudenhefer
10 – Cindy Reeves Janzen	22 – Cheri Krause	
10 – Olive Loewer	28 – Duane Harrison	
10 – Douglas Minter		

## ~ANNOUNCEMENTS~

**PASTOR: Terry Zimmerly**, our transitional minister, is generally in the office 9:30 – 2:30, Tuesday – Friday. Appointments/call-aheads are encouraged. Pastor Terry normally takes Monday as a Sabbath. Contact Terry at: [terry@bouldermennonite.org](mailto:terry@bouldermennonite.org) / 319-512-8625 (cell)

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

**CHURCH ADMINSTRATORS:** Susan Graber and Cheri Krause – someone is usually in the office part of the day Tuesday through Thursday. *Please call in or email ([info@bouldermennonite.org](mailto:info@bouldermennonite.org)) announcements by Thursday, 8:00am.*

## ~ IN OUR COMMUNITY~

**CHRISTIAN ED TIME TODAY:** Due to the installation next Sunday, today we will spend time with Terry both getting to know him and hearing about the transitional ministry process. Please join us!

**THANK YOU TO EZRA:** Thanks to Ezra Tice for his leading the Christian Ed sessions this spring on his favorite book of the Bible, Isaiah!

**NEXT SUNDAY, TERRY'S INSTALLATION:** Amy Zimbelman, our Mountain States Mennonite Conference minister, and Rhoda Blough, our conference moderator, will join us next Sunday to install Terry Zimmerly as our transitional minister. We anticipate some other guests from the conference and community. We will not have a formal Christian Ed time so that we have time to welcome our guests.

**GRADUATES:** On Sunday, May 24, we will honor our two high school graduates. Please let the church admins know if there are other graduates that we can recognize!

## ~ ACROSS THE ANABAPTIST COMMUNITY ~

**ASSEMBLY REGISTRATION!** Early-bird registration ends this Friday, May 15—please [register now](#) to save money and help the lovely committee that is planning Assembly. It's happening here at our church, so this is an excellent opportunity to connect with our larger Mennonite family. Our theme is **When We Pray We Move Our Feet**. Prayerstream will be here! There will be a choir that sings at worship on Sunday morning!

We will also need help from the congregation for things like setting up and hosting during the weekend. Please see Susan Graber if you have any questions (she is leading the planning committee for Assembly).



**TOY GUN BUYBACK:** Saturday, May 16th, 11a-3p, [RAWtools](#) is hosting a toy gun buyback at Glennon Heights Mennonite Church, 11480 W. Virginia Avenue, Lakewood. Kids turn in toy guns in exchange for nonviolent games and toys. Stay for food truck, crafts, games, and more. Accepted as a toy gun: Squirt/water guns, Nerf guns or similar with soft projectiles, toy guns with noises and/or orange tips, other toy guns without projectiles

NOT accepted:BB & Pellet guns, Airsoft Guns, Paintball Guns, any air-powered toy gun with hard projectiles, homemade toy guns

**ROCKY MOUNTAIN MENNONITE CAMP NEWSLETTER:** Keep up with our beloved camp in Divide, CO: [News & Stories](#)

**MENNONITE WORLD CONFERENCE (MWC) NEWSLETTER:** The April issue shares news of [planting seeds of goodwill, transforming communities](#), and prayer requests from across the globe.

**MENNONITE MEN AND WOMEN:** Read updates about the men's organization [here](#), and about the women's organization [here](#).

**DEALS ON SUMMER READS!** Herald Press invites you to [Read Your Way Through Summer](#)—a fun, flexible reading program designed to inspire your next great read. We've picked titles across 12 unique categories--whether you're craving inspiration, deep reflection, or a fresh perspective, there's something for you. [Every featured title is 40% off through May 31](#). Use code MONTHLY at checkout.

**BAD RELIGION, GOOD NEWS:** Disappointment in religious structures has persisted for thousands of years. Yet God is good. In *Bad Religion, Good News*, author Scott Bessenecker offers a way to hold both understandings. Speaking openly about the church's sins can help us examine the ways we've been wounded—and perhaps wounded others. Healing begins with an honest confrontation of wrongdoing. Find out more about this new release from Herald Press [here](#).

**MENNONITE CENTRAL COMMITTEE (MCC) NEWSLETTER:** Find out about MCC projects in their monthly newsletter [In Touch](#).

**DOCUMENTARY ABOUT ICE IN MINNESOTA:** Hear from Mennonite Voices from Minneapolis and St. Paul: Rachel Ries, in cooperation with Mennonites from MC USA's Faith Mennonite and Third Way Churches in the Twin Cities of Minnesota, has created a 34-minute documentary that shares stories from the recent immigration enforcement action known as Operation Metro Surge. [View it here](#).

## ~ IN THE LARGER COMMUNITY ~

**BOULDER MOBILITY FOR ALL NEWSLETTER:** Learn more about local public transportation in the [On the Go Newsletter](#).

**JEWISH AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH:** The Boulder County Commissioners have proclaimed May as Jewish American Heritage Month in Boulder County. Residents are

encouraged to learn about the culture and contributions of Jewish Americans, and to commit themselves to creating an environment free of bias, exclusion, and harassment. [Info here.](#)

**ECOLOGY TIP:** As we honor our mothers today, can you remember a time when your own mother helped you cultivate ties with God's creation? Did you spend time together in national parks or other wild places? What ethics of conservation did your mother model? Many of us grew up with a keen sense of how precious are the resources of water, trees, and the land itself. Challenge yourself in the coming week to teach or model sustainable habits for someone in your life, whether a child, a grandchild or your neighbor!

**CREATIVE SPACE:**



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