



Welcome to
Boulder Mennonite Church
Sunday, September 29, 2024

Peace Sunday: A Service in Song



Smashed ceramic head by Billie Bond, before being reassembled and repaired with gold



“Breath” (diptych) by Billie Bond (British artist, 1965–) 2018. Black stoneware, resin, gold in the style of kintsugi, or “golden seams”

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.



Prelude

***Singing**

Peace be still

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***Passing the Peace**

Lighting our Community Candle

Let there be light, Lord, God of hosts

714

Welcome

Singing and Centering

Could it be that God is singing

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Scripture Reading

2 Corinthians 4.7-12

But we have this treasure in clay jars, so that it may be made clear that this extraordinary power belongs to God and does not come from us. **We are afflicted in every way but not crushed, perplexed but not driven to despair, persecuted but not forsaken, struck down but not destroyed.** What they did to Jesus, they do to us—trial and torture, mockery and murder; what Jesus did among them, he does in us—he lives! **Our lives are at constant risk for Jesus' sake, which makes Jesus' life all the more evident in us. While we're going through the worst, you're getting in on the best!**

Singing

We are people of God's peace, vv. 1, 2

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Reflection: *Kintsukuroi: the broken vessel is often more beautiful than the original*

Testimony

Mayken Boosers, early Dutch Anabaptist martyr

I pray you, my dear children, live in harmony with one another, for that is a fruit of the Spirit; help one another willingly and without any objections. Always remember the poor, [Heb 13: 16] give willingly of all that you have; do not become lovers of Mammon; choose your friends from among those who do not serve Mammon; love what is eternal, and not what is mortal [Col 3:2]. Seek that which is Heavenly, and not that which is earthly, [1 Pet 1:24] for all flesh is as grass, and the splendor of man is as the flower of the grass, that today grows and tomorrow is cast into the oven: the splendor of man passes away, but the word of the Lord remains eternal. Do not love the world, or the things that are in it, [1 Jn 2:16] to wit the lust of the eye, the pride of life, which is not of God but of the world; the world shall

pass away with all that is in it [1 Cor 7:31], but he who does the will of the Father shall live eternally.

So, my dear friends, I expect that tomorrow I will be brought before them once more. I ask you that you will pray to the Lord for me, asking that he will guide my mouth to his praise and honor. With this I want to commend you forever into the hands of God, and I ask kindly that you will regard my simple writings charitably, for I seek nothing but out of the uprightness of my heart to please God.

I would consider myself born at a blessed time. With this I wish you peace, goodbye, after this time no longer. Keep this as an eternal Adieu.

After this Mayken Boosers was burned to ashes at Doornik, and gave her Soul into the hands of the Lord.

Singing How firm a foundation 592

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 *Bourrée* *J.S. Bach*

New Deacon Commissioning: Toni Diaz 968

Expressing our Gratitude: Carole Suderman

Shared Convictions Mennonite World Conference

In Conviction 5, we confess: The Spirit of Jesus empowers us to trust God in all areas of life so we become peacemakers who renounce violence, love our enemies, seek justice and share our possessions with those in need.

Singing For the healing of the nations 705

In Conviction 7, we confess: As a worldwide community of faith and life, we transcend boundaries of nationality, race, class, gender and language. We seek to live in the world without conforming to the powers of evil, witnessing to God's grace by serving others, caring for creation and inviting all people to know Jesus the Anointed as Savior and Lord.

Singing Jesus, help us live in peace 719

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

Singing

Dona nobis pacem (Give us peace)

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Announcements

***Benediction**

***Sending Song**

Peace to you

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Resources used in worship:

Scripture adapted from the New Revised Standard Version and The Message

Cover art: [Kintsugi Head - BILLIE BOND \(billiebondart.com\)](http://billiebondart.com)

[Mayken Boosers](#), Elisabeth's Manly Courage: Testimonials and Songs of Martyred Anabaptist Women in the Low Countries. 2001 Hermina Joldersma and Louis Grijp, Eds and Transl. Marquette Univ Press

Mennonite World Conference: [Shared Convictions | Mennonite World Conference \(mwc-cmm.org\)](http://mwc-cmm.org)

Thanks to all who contributed to our service today!

Speaker:	Pastor Randy Spaulding
Worship Leader:	Ezra Tice
Readers:	Bruce Wheeler, Cheri Krause, Toni Diaz, Carole Suderman
Music:	Judy Classen, Justin Mathis, Randy Spaulding
Tech Support:	Bruce Wheeler, Steve Voran
Greeters:	Carole Suderman, Paul Classen
Snacks:	Scott Woods
Deacons:	Paul Classen, Cheri Krause, Toni Diaz, Carole Suderman

September 22:

Attendance: 51

Offering: \$

TODAY at BMC

9:30a Worship and mingling

11:00a Adult education, sanctuary; Youth Gathering, Rm 112

THIS WEEK at BMC

10/2 Meditation Small Group, 11am

NEXT SUNDAY – October 6: 27th Sunday in the Season of Ordinary Time

9:30am Worship and mingling

11:00am Education Hour

Speaker: Pastor Randy Spaulding

Worship Leader: Becky Neumann

Readers: Jean McPherson, Berit Jany

Music: Bruce Fast, Elleanna Voran

Tech Support: Alfred Sawatzky

Greeters: Elvira Glenn, Paul Classen

Snacks: Elvira Glenn, Sandy Sanborn

Moment for all Ages: Cheri Krause

COMING UP

10/8 Singing Small group, 6:30pm

10/10 Church council, 5p

10/19 Rocky Mountain [Mennonite Relief Sale](#), Castle Rock, CO

10/22 Singing small group, 6:30p

10/23 Centering Prayer small group, 11a

11/2 MSMC Faith & Life Forum, First Mennonite (Denver)

11/5 Election Day in the US

12/13 Pastor Randy & Gary’s Holiday Open House

~PRAYERS~

~for healing and encouragement for Caroline Burr, mother of Liz Burr. Caroline is in the hospital and is feeling discouraged. Pray that she may find the will to fight on.

~from Sandi Sanborn: Please pray for Wayne Morrison, who is dealing with some new health issues.

~from [Community Peacemaker Teams](#): Pray that the families who left Agua Prieta, Mexico, and all migrant families will find safety. Pray that all migrants will be treated with dignity and respect. Give thanks for the faithful service of the staff and volunteers at the Migrant Resource Center.

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS		OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES
1 – Toni Diaz Bachus	21 – Karen Cox	4 – Cheri Krause & Justin Mathis
3 – Judy Classen	23 – Steve Falk	6 – Jill & Douglas Minter
10 – Terry Mast	24 – Anne Cox	10 – Becky & Alfred Sawatzky
Carole Suderman	28 – Joanna Harrison	16 – Gwen Grasse & Steve Voran
16 – Alexandra Clement	29 – Steve Ruby	17– Elvira & Ed Glenn
17 – Emma Falk	30 – Cat Osborne-Gowey	
19 – Chris Friedman	30 – Eden Harrison	

~ANNOUNCEMENTS~

Please call in or email (info@bouldermennonite.org) announcements by Thursday, 7:00am.

DEACONS: Carole Suderman: 303-494-8527; Paul Classen: 316-217-2355; Cheri Krause: 510-227-9712

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 ADMINISTRATOR: Ivanna is in the office on Tuesday from 6:30a to 2:30p and Wednesday from 6a to 2p.

~ IN OUR COMMUNITY ~

COMMUNITY FOOD SHARES NEED VOLUNTEERS: From Laura Minter: CFS is low on volunteers, especially volunteers who can speak both English and Spanish. CFS would be happy to get more help. Community food share does allow kids 12-15 to volunteer as long as they have an adult to volunteer with them. You do have to be at least 16 to volunteer by yourself. If anyone is interested in volunteering, they can [go to the website](#) and create an account to sign up to volunteer.

HELP TO TRANSPORT MCC SCHOOL KITS from Boulder to the MCC relief sale in Castle Rock, CO (or to Kansas): A huge thank you Boulder Mennonite Church for your generous donations and your help to purchase and assemble 1020 school kits for Mennonite Central Committee. Now these kits need to be transported to the MCC office at 121 E. 30th St. in North Newton, Kansas. If you are going to the MCC Relief Sale in Castle Rock, CO happening on Oct. 19th, please take some of the school kits along, as MCC will have a van there to transport school kits back to North Newton, Kansas. Also, if you or someone you know are planning to travel to Kansas, you can take school kits directly to the MCC office in North Newton. Thank you!

CROP WALK: As Jesus called us to feed the hungry, one way to do that is to support the CROP walk, this year being held in Lafayette on Sunday, October 20 at 1:30. Please consider signing up as a walker to join the fun with an ecumenical group from many churches. You can also donate to any BMC walkers. The funds are given to [Church World Service](#) (international, 75%), [Community Food Share](#) (local, 24%), and [Bread for the World](#) (advocate for legislation benefiting the poor, 1%). Let's build a great team from BMC! Talk to Paul or Judy Classen or Carole Suderman for more information or to sign up. Click here for more info: [Boulder County CROP Hunger Walk](#). Donate at our Boulder Mennonite website here: <https://events.crophungerwalk.org/cropwalks/team/boulder-mennonite-church>

OUR TOWN at EHS: Step into the heart of Grover's Corners to explore love, loss, and the beauty that everyday life can offer in Erie High School Theatre's upcoming production, "Our Town" by Thornton Wilder, running October 3rd through 5th. This heartfelt story reminds us to find joy in the ordinary. For the first time in Erie's history, EHS theatre places you at the heart of the action by placing the audience on all four sides of the stage! Don't miss your chance to be part of this unforgettable theatrical experience! Purchase tickets at <https://eriehsdrama.weebly.com/tickets.html> **NOTE: BMC's own Hannah Dudenhefer will be back stage, as part of the show's tech staff.**

HELP FOR THE SAAVEDDRAS: In anticipation of Yorger and Vilimar receiving their work permits in the near future, they are in need of help in formulating a resume and in preparing to answer interview questions. If you have skills in putting together a resume and would be willing to help, please let Becky Neumann or Bruce Fast know. If you would like to help them prepare for an interview or just help them with conversational English, that would also be a big help. This family is highly motivated to get out on their own and any help we can give them will be greatly appreciated.

~ IN THE LARGER COMMUNITY ~

MENNONITE DISASTER SERVICE ANNUAL MEETING: Join us in Hydro, OK for the 2024 MDS Region 3 Annual Meeting. We are gathering on November 15-17 to hear updates on what MDS is doing around the country and in our region. This isn't just a business meeting! Our theme is "Spreading the News: Effective (and timely!) communication within your unit." Plenary sessions and workshops are available to help everyone get involved in the work of MDS. We will worship together, eat together, and have fun together. Nathan Luitjens, Executive Conference Minister of Central Plains Mennonite Conference is speaking Friday evening during worship. The MDS Communications Team is leading several sessions over the weekend. On Saturday evening we will spend our time enjoying each other's company while also enjoying a fun night of games and entertainment. And the MDS Storm Encounter trailer will be there! We hope to see you there! For more information or to register, go to [Region 3 Annual Meeting – Mennonite Disaster Service \(mds.org\)](#) or contact Region 3 Administrative Assistant Chris Becker at cbecker@mds.org or 717-383-8981.

MENNONITE CHURCH USA:

Introducing Juan Montes: The board of directors of Iglesia Menonita **Hispana** (IMH, translated Hispanic Mennonite Church), a constituency group of Mennonite Church USA, appointed Rev. Dr. Juan Montes as executive director during the IMH annual meeting, in Chicago, Illinois. Read more [here](#).

Menno Snapshots: Russell De Young established the Pam De Young Net Zero Energy Fund in memory of his wife, to help Mennonite churches install solar panels and move toward net-zero fossil fuel usage. Read more [here](#).

ECOLOGY TIP: Did you know that tomorrow is National Day for Truth and Reconciliation in Canada? It is a time to recognize the experiences of Indigenous children who were taken from their homes and placed in residential schools, often being forced to leave their culture behind. To honor native cultures, spend part of this day outdoors, intentionally connecting with Mother Earth.

Notes and Reflections on Worship:



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