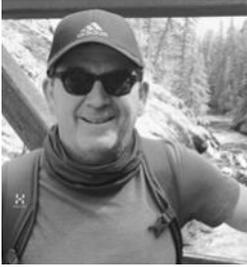


WELCOME!



We are glad that you could join us for our on-line worship service. Even though we are physically apart, we trust that the love of God transcends the barriers that separate us.

Peace to you,
Rod Stafford

On Sunday at 10:45 am please join us in **Zoom** or on **Facebook Live** www.facebook.com/portlandmennonite/ and follow along with scriptures and songs in the following pages. The Zoom link is in the weekly update email.

THE LORD'S DAY

FACILITATORS

Prelude:

Gerry Leatherman

Worship Leader:

Sarah Holcomb

Song Leader:

Crystal Miller /
and all the singers who
have helped create our
worship videos

Children's Time:

Deb Coates

Sermon:

Curt Weaver

Prayers:

Rod Stafford

Technical Support:

Curt Weaver

Rachel Joy

Prelude

Greeting

Colossians 3: 16-17

♪ 'We sing to you, O God' / *Sing the Journey* 1

Offering

Children's Time

Jeremiah 36:1-8, 21-23, 27-28; then 31:31-34

♪ 'Come, ye thankful people' *Hymnal, A Worship Book* 94

Sermon: "What is Wrong with these People?"

Prayers

♪ 'The Lord lift you up' / *Sing the Journey* 73

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Today's Worship

Prelude

Greeting

Colossians 3: 16-17

Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

🎵 — 'We sing to you, O God' / SJ 1

Verse 1

We sing to You O God
The Rock who gave us birth
Let our rejoicing sing Your name
In all the earth
To You O God let songs be raised
In joyful hymns our feast of praise

Verse 2

We wandered far from home
Out in a desert land
You shielded with Your love
Our fearful pilgrim band
You kept us safe within
Your arms and sheltered us
Against the storm

Verse 3

You bear us through the world
An eagle to her young
Who rises on her wings and
Bears us toward the sun
We ride the vaults of light
And air and trust in Your unfailing care

Verse 4

O God eternal God
We hide within Your wings
The everlasting arms to whom
Our praises ring
Your Word is true
Your way is just
You are the God in whom we trust

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Offering

[GIVE ONLINE](#) [PLEDGE for 2021](#)

Jeremiah 36:1-8, 21-23, 27-28; 31:31-34

In the fourth year of King Jehoiakim son of Josiah of Judah, this word came to Jeremiah from the Lord: Take a scroll and write on it all the words that I have spoken to you against Israel and Judah and all the nations, from the day I spoke to you, from the days of Josiah until today. It may be that when the house of Judah hears of all the disasters that I intend to do to them, all of them may turn from their evil ways, so that I may forgive their iniquity and their sin. Then Jeremiah called Baruch son of Neriah, and Baruch wrote on a scroll at Jeremiah's dictation all the words of the Lord that he had spoken to him. And Jeremiah ordered Baruch, saying, "I am prevented from entering the house of the Lord; so you go yourself, and on a fast day in the hearing of the people in the Lord's house you shall read the words of the Lord from the scroll that you have written at my dictation. You shall read them also in the hearing of all the people of Judah who come up from their towns. It may be that their plea will come before the Lord, and that all of them will turn from their evil ways, for great is the anger and wrath that the Lord has pronounced against this people." And Baruch son of Neriah did all that the prophet Jeremiah ordered him about reading from the scroll the words of the Lord in the Lord's house. Then the king sent Jehudi to get the scroll, and he took it from the chamber of Elishama the secretary; and Jehudi read it to the king and all

the officials who stood beside the king. Now the king was sitting in his winter apartment (it was the ninth month), and there was a fire burning in the brazier before him. As Jehudi read three or four columns, the king would cut them off with a penknife and throw them into the fire in the brazier, until the entire scroll was consumed in the fire that was in the brazier. Now, after the king had burned the scroll with the words that Baruch wrote at Jeremiah's dictation, the word of the Lord came to Jeremiah: Take another scroll and write on it all the former words that were in the first scroll, which King Jehoiakim of Judah has burned. The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the Lord. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, "Know the Lord," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

♪ — 'Come, ye thankful people' / WB 94

1. Come, ye thankful people, come,
Raise the song of harvest home!
All is safely gathered in,
Ere the winter storms begin;
God, our Maker, doth provide
For our wants to be supplied;
Come to God's own temple, come;
Raise the song of harvest home!

2. We ourselves are God's own field,
Fruit unto his praise to yield;
Wheat and tares together sown
Unto joy or sorrow grown;
First the blade and then the ear,
Then the full corn shall appear;
Grant, O harvest Lord, that we
Wholesome grain and pure may be.

4. Then, thou Church triumphant come,
Raise the song of harvest home!
All be safely gathered in,
Free from sorrow, free from sin,
There, forever purified,
In God's garner to abide;
Come, ten thousand angels, come,
Raise the glorious harvest home!

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Sermon

"What is Wrong with these People?"

Prayers

Please Pray For...

- Rachel Joy as she and her family grieve the death of her father, Dave, last Friday;
- Rebecca Peterson, as she grieves the death of her mother last week
- Friends and neighbors who will be isolated or alone on Thanksgiving, and for all the people who are required to work in public during this resurgence of the COVID pandemic;
- Please pray for Clair and Carol Stauffer, former members at PMC. Carol, who is suffering from severe Alzheimers and has been in a memory care unit, fell last week and broke her hip. The family has decided not to go ahead with surgery and so she has been placed on hospice care and is resting comfortably in the nursing home. Pray that the family will be at peace with their decision as they walk through this time with Carol.
- Caroline Scott as she faces more tests after experiencing some new health concerns.

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The Lord lift you up

BENEDICTION* 55. 55. 54. 55

The musical score is written in treble clef with a key signature of three sharps (F#, C#, G#) and a 3/4 time signature. The melody is accompanied by chords. The lyrics are: "The Lord lift you up, the Lord take your hand, the Lord lead you forth, and cause you to stand, se - cure in God's word, seek - ing God's face, a - bound - ing in love, a - bid - ing in grace. The grace." The score is divided into five systems. The first system has chords E, A, and B. The second system has chords E, E7, A, and B7. The third system has chords C#, C#7, F#m7, and B7. The fourth system has chords G#m, C#m, F#m, and B7. The fifth system has chords 1 E and Final E.

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Announcements

Benediction

Sharing Time

(Not streamed to Facebook)

Announcements

Connecting on Thanksgiving

We are all scaling back whatever plans we had made for Thanksgiving. Some of us will be alone; all of us will miss being with family and friends. Sometime during the day, call two or three people from PMC. We all have room for a little more lovingkindness in our lives these days.

Voices Together

Voices Together is the new Mennonite Church hymnal. It should be arriving soon. The Voices Together on-line dedication launch will be Sunday, December 13, from 2-4pm (pacific time). While this is not the celebration originally planned, it's exciting to celebrate virtually. The service will include songs, prayers, scripture, and of course, some virtual choirs. (Nothing is more quintessential for 2020 than the virtual choir, right?) The Voices Together committee—a team of dedicated volunteers who worked on this project since 2016—has planned this worship service as a way to introduce all of us to the content and hear from contributors. Everyone is welcome. [Register today!](#)

PMC Annual Meeting

(December 6, noon, via Zoom):

Everyone at PMC is welcome to join the Annual Meeting on December 6. Members will be asked to vote on two recommendations from the Leadership Table. First, three people are being recommended for leadership roles at PMC - David Johnson as Table Chair, Sarah Holcomb as Worship Elder, Ed Shirk as Facilities Elder. If affirmed, each will serve three year terms on the Leadership Table. Second, a budget is being recommended to fund the life and ministries of the church in 2021.

[THE AGENDA AND MORE INFORMATION CAN BE FOUND HERE](#)

Office Closed

The PMC office will be closed for the Thanksgiving holiday on Thursday and Friday (November 26-27). In case of emergency, call or text any of the pastors directly.

Advent Wreaths

Each Sunday of Advent we light candles as a sign of our trust that God's light comes into the world and nothing can overcome it. Because we will be in our homes when we gather on-line for worship during Advent, we would like everyone to prepare a wreath with four candles. It can be as simple or elaborate as you like. Four tea lights on a round plate will do. A woven wreath of evergreens and holly with three purple candles and one pink candle will also be fine. If you can only find one candle in your cupboard, that will work. You can probably even find an app on your smartphone. In any case, each week at the beginning of our services we will light the candles together and pray that God will light hope, peace, joy, and love on the wicks of our lives.

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LAST CHANCE TO ORDER an MYF Wreath (17 LEFT TO SELL BY WEDNESDAY)

It would not feel like the holidays if there wasn't an opportunity to buy an overpriced wreath from our PMC youth group. This year we are going to attempt to deliver all the wreaths right to your doorstep (if you live in the Portland area). You can order your wreath HERE: www.portlandmennonite.org/myf-wreath-sale. Thank you so very much for your support!!

Fair Trade Fruit and Coffee

Have you missed purchasing the fair trade fruit, coffee, and tea from Level Ground? Good news! It is once again available through PMC. [Simply click on the link](#) and fill out your request. Paula Brunk Kuhns will contact you to confirm the order, arrange for payment, and figure out delivery or pick up details.

Expected Giving in 2021

The Leadership Table of PMC is putting together a budget to fund the ministries of the church in 2021, both here in Portland and around the world. As we look ahead everyone is encouraged to consider your planned giving for the coming year, it will be very helpful if you can reply this weekend. You can make a pledge [here](#).

Do you recycle your cans and bottles?

Will you support Sunnyside Mennonite Montessori School with your recycling?

SMMS continues operating during this pandemic with distance-learning Zoom sessions for the children, home activity "kits" for students organized by our wonderful teacher, and occasional outdoor social-distancing in a park. So we are continuing fund-raising as well. If you will save your cans and bottles in one of our SMMS pre-labeled bags and simply drop the bag off when full at any BottleDrop location in the metro area, the deposit money is credited to the school. Very easy and "no contact" required! As an added incentive, Bottle Drop is having a "holiday giving" promotion from November 15 to December 1. SMMS will be credited 20% extra for each bag dropped off during that window. FAQs about BottleDrop and list of their locations can be found at <https://www.bottledropcenters.com/> Ready to get started? We will deliver the bag to your home. Just e-mail Anne Stites at stitesanne@gmail.com with your address for that bag delivery....thank you!!

Nightstrike is beginning again in a new form

Dec 13

Nightstrike under the bridge is not happening during COVID, but they are now running walkabout outreach opportunities every Sunday from 3 - 5:30 pm downtown and PMC will join every 2nd Sunday of the month beginning in November. So mark your calendar for Dec 13. We are given 8 slots to fill. Due to COVID, we will not be carpooling together, but will meet on location. Parking should be easy on Sundays. If you are interested, [go to the link on the PMC website](#) to sign up. Kids can join with their parents. We are also seeking donation of new socks, small unopened and unused toiletries (toothpaste, toothbrushes, small shampoos/conditioners and deodorant), and gloves and hats in good condition to share with the people we meet. Contact Susan Voss-Rothmeier with any questions.

Stephen Ministry can help

In times of stress, conflict, pandemics, or forest fires you can find emotional support from PMC's Stephen Ministry program. Stephen Ministry is a way our congregation provides high-quality care and outreach to people who could use some support and encouragement in the congregation and community. Stephen

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Ministers are members of the congregation who have gone through 50 hours of training to provide one-to-one Christ-centered confidential care. Over the past four years, PMC has trained 28 members of the church to care for those dealing with grief, divorce, job loss, hospitalization, financial struggles, loneliness, convalescence, terminal illness, family issues, and many other life difficulties. You do not need to face these problems alone, a Stephen Minister will walk beside you. To find out more about this ministry, contact: Pastor Britt Carlson, Stephen Leaders Connie Brown, Tim Klassen, Joleen Classen.

[Check out the web page: www.portlandmennonite.org/stephen-ministry](http://www.portlandmennonite.org/stephen-ministry)

O Night Divine

ADVENT IN A TIME OF PANDEMIC

Advent is a four-week season of preparation and hope. We make ourselves ready for the coming of God's love and justice into our lives and our world. With the resurgence of the coronavirus, we are adapting all of our plans.

[LEARN MORE HERE](#)

ADVENT DEVOTIONAL

We are doing our very own PMC Advent Devotional this year with the theme of "O Night Divine." All households will receive a copy in the mail before the first Sunday of Advent (Nov 29). If you are NOT in the directory and would like a copy, email Britt at britt@portlandmennonite.org and she can add you to the list.

AN INVITATION TO YOUNG AND OLD

Sunday evenings during Advent / 7:00 PM

Silent night Holy night
AN ADVENT BEDTIME RITUAL

We invite you to join the rest of the congregation for **15 mins** on Zoom at 7pm on Sunday evenings during Advent.

Staying Connected This Week

Monday Morning Pastor "Coffee Time"

Monday / 9:00 am

On Mondays, 9:00-9:30 am, Britt (occasionally Rod or Curt) hosts a "coffee time" via Zoom for anyone who would like to check in together as the week begins. The link is on our website (staying connected page).

To join: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/368828512?pwd=bkNDb25xUVgrTG9kZG9vbGU1UnZnUT09>

Friday Morning Coffee Group

Fridays / 10:00 am

A group of PMCs continues to meet, now via Zoom, every Friday morning for an informal social time.

If you'd like to join, contact Linda Rush or the church office for more information.

COVID Chronicles Podcast

The PMC podcast [COVID Chronicles](#) is a good way to stay connected with your PMC friends. New episodes drop every few days. Find it on the PMC website by simply scrolling down the home page, or look for it on PodBean. When you'd like to get in on the fun, contact host Gloria Nussbaum, 503-645-0616.

You can also find most of these links on our website at: www.portlandmennonite.org/online-church

Land Acknowledgement

As we learn about the Doctrine of Discovery, we recognize that the land on which our meetinghouse is located and the land on which many of us live was previously home to Native American peoples who were decimated and uprooted as this area was settled. The Portland Metro area rests on traditional village sites of the Multnomah, Wasco, Cowlitz, Kathlamet, Clackamas, Bands of Chinook, Tualatin, Kalapuya, Molalla and many other tribes who lived and traveled along the Columbia River, creating communities and summer encampments to harvest and use the plentiful natural resources of the area.

PMC & COVID-19

Join us on FB Live Sunday Morning at 10:45 am, or check our page for updates throughout the week www.facebook.com/portlandmennonite. To join our Zoom meeting for worship, sign up for our [weekly update](#).

Check out our website www.portlandmennonite.org for news, sermons, event information, and ways to stay connected with each other.

PMC Staff are minimizing time in the office. Please email us for fastest response. We also check voicemail remotely.

Electronic Giving

We have a variety of options for financial contributions, including by credit card, or direct debit from your bank account. Checks may be mailed to the church office at 1312 SE 35th Ave, Portland OR 97214. Rachel opens the mail once a week. For details and forms, go to www.portlandmennonite.org/give. You can also check with your bank about sending electronic payments. Contact Rachel Joy (office@portlandmennonite.org) if you have any questions.