



Colossians 1:11-14

May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in who we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

New Member Bios



Karen Stephenson *“I grew up in the Presbyterian Church in Corvallis. I graduated from Reed College with a degree in Biology, have had a random and varied collection of careers, and am still trying to figure out what I want to do when I grow up. I have two daughters. Fiona is 24 and is going to University in France. Gillian is 21 and is finishing her final term at OSU, studying graphic design and photography. Susan Frisby is my sister and I have attended occasional in person services at PMC back in the day. I have been attending PMC online regularly since just before Easter last year.”*



Elyse Burton *has grown up at Portland Mennonite Church. She has been involved with the youth group, music teams, and helping in the nursery. Elyse graduated from Tualatin high school last year and this year took a gap year to participate in service adventure. Next year she will be attending Goshen college as a sustainability management major.*

Baptismal Questions

Elyse and Karen, do you renounce the evil powers of this world and turn to Jesus Christ as your savior? Do you put your trust in his grace and love and promise to obey him as your Lord?

Do you believe in God, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; in Jesus Christ, God's Son, our Lord; and in the Holy Spirit, the giver of life?

Do you accept the Word of God as guide and authority for your life?

Are you willing to give and receive counsel in the congregation?

Are you ready to participate in the mission of the church?

Romans 6:1-4

What then are we to say? Should we continue in sin in order that grace may abound? By no means! How can we who died to sin go on living in it? Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life.

Baptismal Prayer

**God, creator of all things visible and invisible,
for the gift of Karen's life we give you thanks.
for the gift of Elyse's life we give you thanks.
Be present in the trials and joys of their lives
that they may always trust in your love.**

**Jesus, perfect image of God and perfect image of humanity,
For your life of faithfulness we give thanks.
Guide Elyse that she may always trust your grace.
Guide Karen that she may always trust your grace.**

**Holy Spirit, sustainer and teacher,
For your energy moving in and around and through Karen
and through Elyse we give thanks.
Strengthen them so that they may always trust your promises. AMEN**

As Elyse and Karen enter the water, we are all invited to affirm our faith in the way, the truth, and the life of Jesus. As a sign of your commitment, you are invited to dip your hand in the water and make the sign of the cross on your forehead.

Response

**Elyse and Karen, as we now receive you into the fellowship of the church,
we make this covenant with you as we renew our own covenant with God:
to bear each others' burdens,
to assist in times of need,
to share our gifts and possessions,
to forgive as Christ has forgiven us,
to support each other in joy and sorrow,
and in all things to work for the common good,
thus making known Christ's presence among us to the glory of God.
As we unite with each other now, may we all be joined with Christ, our Lord.**

Please Pray For:

- *Aimee Ford Conner*, who is recovering at home from a medical emergency. She and her daughter could use help with meals and some small gardening tasks (MealTrain coming soon); if you can help, please contact the church office.
- *Pat Smith*, who was diagnosed with cancer and will begin radiation treatments soon.
- *Those who are grieving losses of loved ones*, including Chris Barghout, Donna Kolowsky, Katherine Jameson Pitts, and the Gingrich family.

Nightstrike for May: We continue to volunteer monthly at Nightstrike to serve people experiencing homelessness in downtown Portland. This month, we have 4 slots available for Thursday May 13th in the stations of food and popcorn. We also have eight slots available for Sunday May 16th joining their walkabout. Contact Susan Voss-Rothmeier if you are interested .

'Be Careful What You Ask For': Last Sunday evening the Racial Justice Committee hosted Lisa Collins, who wrote the play 'Be Careful What You Ask For.' A filmed version of the play premiered at the 2021 Fertile Ground Festival in Portland. If you missed it, or want to watch it again, you can view the film [here](#).

NAMI Walks Your Way fundraiser May 22

The 2021 virtual Walks Your Way virtual event is planned for May 22. Please join us by participating as a team member and/or donating to NAMI. Last year seven PMCs joined the team as Virtual Walkers to raise more than \$2,500 and promote NAMI to friends and family far and wide. Our team name is Strength in Numbers and you can [sign up to join the team or donate online](#). For more info, contact [Diana Platas](#).

MennoCon21 July 6-10 (hybrid)

Mennonite Church USA is hosting its first-ever, hybrid convention on July 6-10, 2021, in Cincinnati, Ohio, and online! Learn more at the convention website [here](#), and register [here](#). The hybrid convention will include a

delegate session. If you would like to represent PMC as one of our three delegates, please email Rod Stafford. We would be glad for a range of ages and experiences. Funds are available to help cover registration costs.

County Risk Level and PMC Meetinghouse

PMC is currently following phased reopening guidelines from our leadership Table. These guidelines are intended to maintain the church's witness in the Hawthorne neighborhood and the broader city through an approach that seeks to "look not to our own interests, but to the interests of others" (Philippians 2:4). For more information about our guidelines, please see our [April 18 congregational meeting](#) materials, or contact anyone on the [PMC Leadership Table](#).

Gale Gingrich: A virtual Celebration of Life

If you missed the online celebration of life for Gale Gingrich, you can view a recording of the service, his obituary, a slideshow of photos, and the music played in the service at www.portlandmennonite.org/gale-gingrich-memorial.

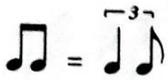
Volunteering with MDS—Second Try

If you are interested in joining a group of PMCs volunteering with MDS in California the week of June 20-26, please contact Linda Rush or Joanne Barta, or go to the MDS website for more info:

mds.mennonite.net/paradise-ca/

You've got a place

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Irregular



- 1 You've got a place at the wel - come ta - ble,
 2 We're goin' to feast on___ milk and hon - ey,
 3 We'll give___ thanks at the wel - come ta - ble,
 4 We'll come___ home to the wel - come ta - ble,



you've got a place at the wel - come ta - ble, some of these
 we're goin' to feast on___ milk and hon - ey, some of these
 we'll give___ thanks at the wel - come ta - ble, some of these
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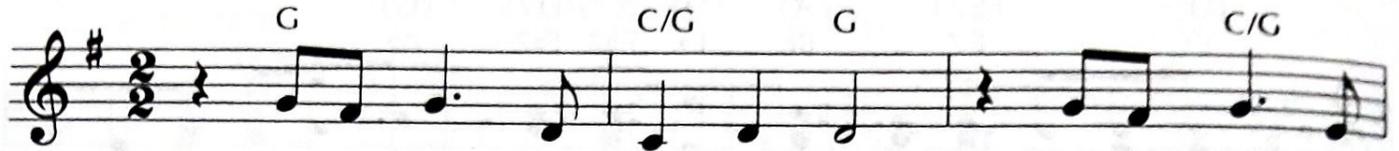


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Here I Am, Lord

HERE I AM, LORD 7.7.7.4 D with refrain



1 I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my
 2 I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my
 3 I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will call the



peo - ple cry. All who dwell in deep - est sin my hand will
 peo - ple's pain. I have wept for love of them. They turn a -
 poor by name. I will set a feast for them. My hand will



save. I who made the stars of night,
 way. I will break their hearts of stone,
 save. Fin - est bread I will pro - vide



I will make the dark - ness bright. Who will bear my
 give them hearts for love a - lone. I will speak my
 till their hearts be sat - is - fied. I will give my



light to them? Whom shall I send?
 word to them. Whom shall I send? —Refrain on
 life to them. Whom shall I send? next page—

Here I Am, Lord Refrain

HERE I AM, LORD 7.7.7.4 D with refrain

Refrain

D G Gsus G C G

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?

Am7 G/B Am/C C D

I have heard you call-ing in the night.

G Gsus G C/E G

I will go, Lord, if you lead me.

Am7 D G Gsus G

I will hold your peo - ple in my heart.

Halle, halle, hallelujah!

G D G D/F# Em

Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah!

Detailed description: This system contains the first two staves of music. The top staff is in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 2/4 time signature. The bottom staff is in bass clef with the same key signature and time signature. The melody in the top staff consists of quarter notes and eighth notes, with some notes beamed together. The bass line in the bottom staff provides a steady accompaniment with quarter notes and some rests. Chord symbols G, D, G, D/F#, and Em are placed above the top staff.

C Am7 D

Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah!

Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu, Hal - le - lu - jah!

Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah!

Detailed description: This system contains the second and third staves of music. The top staff continues the melody with the lyrics 'Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah!'. The bottom staff continues the bass line with the lyrics 'Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu, Hal - le - lu - jah!'. Chord symbols C, Am7, and D are placed above the top staff.

G D G D/F# Em

Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le -

Detailed description: This system contains the third and fourth staves of music. The top staff continues the melody with the lyrics 'Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le -'. The bottom staff continues the bass line with the lyrics 'Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le -'. Chord symbols G, D, G, D/F#, and Em are placed above the top staff.

Am G/D D7

Hal - le - lu - jah!

To repeat G C/G G Am/G Final G jah!

lu - jah! Hal - le - lu, Hal - le - lu - jah! jah!

Hal - le - lu - jah! jah!

Detailed description: This system contains the fourth and fifth staves of music. The top staff features a repeat sign and a 'Final' section. The lyrics are 'lu - jah! Hal - le - lu, Hal - le - lu - jah! jah!'. The bottom staff continues the bass line with the lyrics 'Hal - le - lu - jah! jah!'. Chord symbols Am, G/D, D7, G, C/G, G, Am/G, and Final G are placed above the top staff.

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