

*Emmaus Road Mennonite Fellowship*  
*~Fourth Sunday After Pentecost~*



*June 20, 2010*



**Emmaus Road Mennonite Fellowship**

**Sunday Morning Worship**

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*~ Father's Day ~*

***Gathering***

Prelude

Welcome & Centering Words

Marie, Worship Leader

\*Call to Worship

Leader: God is ready for us to seek what is eternal.

God wants us to find the truth beyond ourselves.

***People: Our spirits long for God, as a deer longs for water.***

***We cry out for some evidence of God's presence.***

Leader: God seldom comes as earthquake, wind, or fire.

Rather, in moments of sheer silence, God is revealed.

***People: We come in quiet expectation to this holy place.***

***We approach the altar of God, hungering to be fed.***

Leader: All are welcome here as brothers and sisters in Christ.

Here is a place to find healing and promise.

***People: Our hope is in God, who gives us life and identity.***

***Our help is from God, who is in covenant with us.***

\*Hymn of Gathering

*Hymnal: A Worship Book #1*

*"What Is This Place"*

Lighting of the Community Candle

Blake

***All: We light these flames to honor our past. We light these flames to endorse our present as a community. We light these flames to symbolize our future.***

Intercessory Prayer

Anita

Centering Hymn

*Sing the Journey #29*

*"You Are All We Have"*

*(sing twice)*

### ***Prayer of Confession***

***Almighty and Sovereign God, we confess that we have broken covenant with you, despised some of your children, and accused you of forgetting us. Our lives do not praise you, our actions deny you, and our work is carried out without reference to your will. We draw lines of distinction among ourselves rather than celebrating our common humanity. When we are zealous for the faith, we trample on others rather than learning to know and appreciate them. O God, forgive us and change us. Amen.***

### ***Assurance of Pardon***

Leader: Friends, believe the good news.

***All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.***

### ***The Peace***

Leader: God makes peace within us. Let us claim it.

God makes peace between us. Let us share it.

Let us greet one another as a sign of God's peace.

The peace of God is here to stay.

***All: Thanks be to God.***

*You are invited to share the peace with your neighbors with the greeting  
"Shalom" or "The Peace of Christ."*

### ***Hearing God's Word***

Old Testament Reading

John and Mary

*1 Kings 19:1-15a*

Hymn of Assurance

*Hymnal: A Worship Book #523*

*"Dear Lord and Father of Mankind"*

Prayers of the People

Marge

Lord's Prayers (use *trespasses*)

New Testament Reading

Nedra

*Galatians 3: 23-29*

Sermon

Anita

*"Clothed with Christ"*

### ***Responding to God's Word***

Offering

*JoinHands*

Offertory Prayer

Anita

Offertory

*Hymnal: A Worship Book #385*

*"What Gift Can We Bring"*

**\*Confession of Faith** (Section 1)

*We believe in God the Creator of all,  
known to us through perfect love,  
who has called for a people of faith.  
We believe in Jesus Christ, the Word become flesh,  
crucified and resurrected, our Savior from sin,  
our peace, and Lord of the church.  
We believe in the Holy Spirit,  
poured out on all believers,  
our source of inspiration and power.  
To God be praise forever and ever. Amen!*

*-Based on "Confession of Faith in a Mennonite Perspective" (1995)*

**Communion**

Hymn of Preparation

*"Taste and See"*

*Sing the Journey #86*

Call to Communion

Anita

Sharing the Bread and the Cup

**Benediction**

\*Words of Blessing

Howard

\*Hymn of Sending

*"Lord of the Home"*

*Hymnal: A Worship Book #490*