



Following Jesus in a world that is not

“If we enter each day with a vision of following Jesus and bringing glory to God, our loyalties are more likely to reflect the way of Jesus and the hope of God’s reign.” J. Nelson Kraybill

“Anyone who starts plowing and keeps looking back isn’t worth a thing to God’s kingdom.”

July 5, 2009

Meditation

Psalm 125:1, 2

GATHERING TO WORSHIP

Songs for Gathering (9:15)

Prelude “Sanctuary Prayer” (Lewis)

Welcome

Call to Worship “Jesus, be the center” SS 31

Gathering Prayer

PRAISING GOD’S NAME

Hymn “Let the whole creation cry” H 51
“Christ is our cornerstone” H 43

Church at Work

Prayer

Offering

Ritual of Friendship: *Please sign the friendship pads and pass them to your left. Return them to the other end while noticing who is in your row.*

Offertory "Antiphon" (Kihlken)

Doxology "Praise God from whom" H 119B

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
In heav'n above and earth below;
one God three persons we adore.
To God be praise forevermore. Amen*

HEARING GOD'S WORD

Hymn "God has chosen me" SS 114
(children come forward)

"Don't look back"

Scripture 1 Kings 19:15-21
Luke 9:51-62

Sermon "Grilling with Elisha"

RECEIVING GOD'S GRACE

Confession H 695

Assurance of Forgiveness

Hymn "I have decided to follow Jesus"

- 1 I have decided to follow Jesus, no turning back.
- 2 The world behind me, the cross before me, no turning back.
- 3 Tho' none go with me, I still will follow, no turning back.
- 4 For He has called us to be His people, no turning back.

SENT IN THE POWER OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

Benediction

Christ, whose insistent call
disturbs our settled lives:
give us discernment to hear your word,
grace to relinquish our tasks,
and courage to follow empty-handed
wherever you may lead;
that the voice of your gospel
may reach to the ends of the earth. AMEN

Sending Hymn "Take, O take me as I am" SJ 81

Assisting in Worship

Song Leader: Lee Dengler

Prelude and Offertory: Ethel Umble

Worship Leader: Betty Hochstetler

Scripture: Julia Smucker, Marlin Jeschke, Bill Clemens, Linda Christophel, June G. Yoder

Sermon: Gary Martin

Children's Time: Pat Martin

Instrumentalists: Phyllis Wulliman, piano; Peter Miller, bass

Video: Kent Oyer

Sound: Sandy Swartzendruber

Interpreters: Angela Taylor, Sheila S. Yoder

Worship Notes

We welcome all who worship with us today. Care for infants is provided in Room 125 and for toddlers and twos in Room 124. The church newsletter and information about Sunday school are available at each Welcome Center. CDs of the morning worship service are available about 15 minutes after the worship service at the Welcome Center near door 'J'. Hosts are at the centers to answer your questions.

Please turn off cell phones during the worship service. Our sanctuary is equipped with a magnetic induction loop hearing system. Users should turn their hearing aids to the setting marked "T".

Large print worship folders and hymns are available each Sunday in the church office.

This Week at a Glance

Today 10:45 a.m. Exploring Membership Class—Prayer Room

Wednesday 6:30 p.m. Wednesday Evening Prayers—Room 100

Sunday 9:15 a.m. Songs for gathering
 9:30 a.m. Worship service – Reporting from MC USA

Sunday School Classes - 10:45 a.m.

Guests are invited to join us in the Fellowship Hall for beverages and fellowship and are also welcome to attend any of the Sunday school classes. Hosts at the Welcome Centers can assist you in finding a class and its location.

Crib Room 125 **Toddlers** Room 124

Twos and Threes Room 123 **Preschool** Room 122

Kindergarten, Grades 1-2 Room 121

Grades 3-8 (Meet in classrooms for snack; summer electives begin at 11 a.m.)

Grades 9-12 (MYF) Basement

Summer Electives

- *Drumming* with Amos Burkholder—Rooms 131-132
- *Singing Favorites Around the World* with Mary Oyer—Rooms 300-301
- *Creation Walk* with Lois Hartzler—meet at the church office Welcome Center
- *Coloring Coptic Crosses* with Sandra Shenk Lapp—Rooms 112-113
- *Following Jesus in a World That Is Not:* facilitated by Nancy Kauffmann and Joel Kauffmann—Sanctuary
- *Women of the Bible: “Miriam,”* facilitated by Jean Mann—Newcomer Center, Room 43

Agape, Horizons, Pathfinders, Weavings

Summer Electives

Borderlands Rooms 142-143

Friendship and Sojourners Rooms 110-111

Report on MCC work in Lebanon and Syria – Ken & Kathryn Seitz

Growing Roots Room 141

Homebuilders (8:00 a.m.) Rooms 300-301

July 12 – “Remembering and celebrating” Deuteronomy 16:1-8

– Elton Bomberger

Safe Harbor Room 307

Seekers Room 100

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