

Gathered by the Living God...

Prelude	<i>All who are thirsty</i>	Kutlass
Welcome and announcements		
Interlude	<i>O Lord, you're beautiful</i>	K. Green
* Call to Worship		
* Opening Prayer		
* Hymn	<i>Jesus calls us here to meet him</i>	STJ 3

To receive the Living Word...

Scripture Reading	Revelation 21:1-6	
Hymn	<i>New earth, heavens new</i>	HWB 299
Offering Prayer		
Offertory	<i>Come, thou almighty King</i>	
Children's Time	based on Acts 10:1-34	
Scripture Reading	Acts 11:1-18	
Sermon	A new creation	
* Hymn	<i>Christ is alive</i>	STS 89

And sent into new life

Peace Lamp		
Sharing of Joys and Concerns		
Prayers of the People		
* Passing the Peace		
* Affirmation of Faith		
* Hymn	<i>We are the body of Christ</i>	STJ 64
* Benediction		
Postlude		

Our worship ends after the postlude; please remain seated for the postlude.

**All who are able are invited to stand where indicated.*

*Hymnals used in worship: HWB – Hymnal a Worship Book (blue)
 STJ – Sing the Journey (green)
 STS – Sing the Story (purple)*

Worship Leader: Jan Althaus	Preacher: Rachel Siemens
Song leaders: Jan and Warren Croyle	Children's Time: Emma Newcomer
Scripture Reader: Nathaniel Haas	

Welcome to worship this morning as we continue to celebrate in song and word the Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ.

On **May 9** we will celebrate the baptism of **Megan Croyle** during worship. A celebration tea will follow worship.

Have you begun using your **MCC WaterWorks Giving Calendar**? If you don't have one, and you wish to participate, please pick up a Giving Calendar and a collection bucket which are on a table in the hallway.

This week's Water Fact: *One billion people in our world do not have access to safe and affordable drinking water, and 2.4 billion people live in conditions lacking adequate sanitation.*

May 3 – 7 is **Teacher Appreciation Week at Trease Road Child Care Center**. Please remember the teachers and staff in your prayers this week:

Toddlers:	Rebecca Schondel, Jacquie Zarley
Preschool:	Amy George, Rachel Durbin
Pre-Kindergaten:	Wendi Breyley, Nicole Ault
School Age:	Sandy McDermott
Teacher Aides:	Sarah Warner, Jessica Hitzman, Heather Lincecum
Director:	Mary Siebel
Cook:	Vicki Fortner

GREETERS Today: Bob Moss

Next Sunday: Bob Moss

USHER for MAY

John Althaus

To be the church we would like to be, we need to offer \$6,257 this month.

For April we needed \$6,346 and received \$7,159, plus \$197 for Loaves & Fishes.

We are in the process of updating the church directory, please email Rachel with any changes from the last directory or if you would like to include a cell phone number.

THIS WEEK, May 3-9:

Monday – Friday: TRCCC Teacher Appreciation Week

Wednesday: 3:15 pm Deacons Meeting

Thursday: 9:30 am Mennonite Women

Noon deadline for bulletin announcements
please email announcements to Rachel

Sunday: 9:30am **Sunday School** for all ages

Elementary School Class:

MYF Class: *Living the Beatitudes*

Upper Room: *Know the Words of Jesus*

Pathfinders Class: *Prayer: Does it make any difference?*

10:45am **Worship *New heavens and a new earth;***

Baptism service

Scripture texts: Acts 16:9-15; John 14:23-29

New heavens and a new earth;

Our mission is to welcome all to know Christ's salvation through worship and works of love, peace and justice in service for God.

First Mennonite Church

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Normal Office Hours: Tuesday – Friday, 8:30 am – noon

Sunday School 9:30 am

Worship Service 10:45 am

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