



Osler Mennonite Church

*A Welcoming Community for Peace
Following Jesus on the Path of Reconciliation*

10:00 a.m. Worship Service

August 29, 2021

"The Syro-Phoenician Woman"

Prelude

Welcome/Announcements

Call to Worship *from VT #851*

Leader: Jesus calls us to praise and prayer, to song and silence;

People: Jesus calls us to worship.

Leader: Jesus calls us to hearing and healing, to service and solidarity;

People: Jesus calls us to love.

Leader: Jesus calls us to advocacy and action, to protest and provision;

People: Jesus calls us to justice.

Leader: We hear the call of Christ.

All: We worship together with joy.

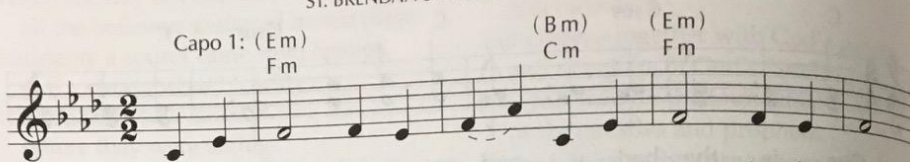
Prayer of Invocation

Holy God, you call us together to reflect on your Word and our life in your world. Be with us now as we sing and pray together, that we may hear your voice and understand your way. This we pray through Jesus, the Christ. Amen.

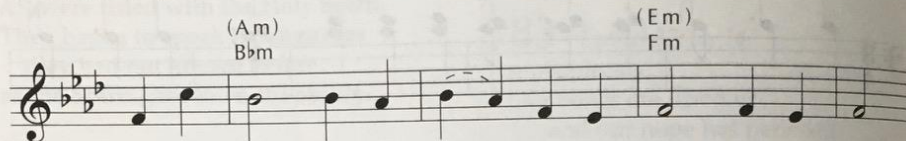
Hymn: VT #387 **"We Are One in the Spirit"**

387 We Are One in the Spirit

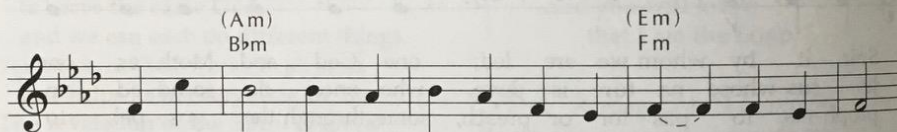
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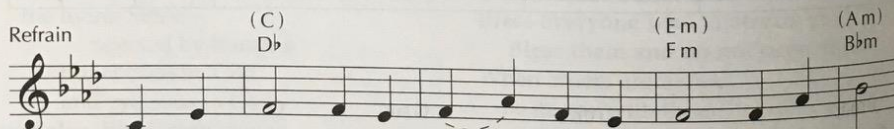
English: 1 We are one in the Spir-it, we are one in the Lord;
 Spanish: 1 So - mos u - no en es - pí - ri - tu y en el Se - ñor;
 German: 1 Wir sind ei - nig im Gei - ste, wir sind ei - nig im Herrn;
 French: 1 Tous u - nis dans l'Es - prit, tous u - nis en Jé - sus;



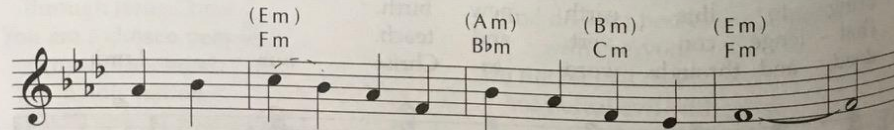
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and we pray that all u - ni - ty may one day be re - stored.
 y ro - ga - mos que un dí - a se com - ple - te la u - ni - ón.
 lasst uns be - ten um Ein - heit durch den Geist uns - res Herrn.
 nous pri - ons que bien - tôt ce qui di - vi - se ne soit plus.



And they'll know we are Chris-tians by our love, by our love,
 Y que so - mos cris - tia - nos lo sa - brán, lo sa - brán,
 Denn wir wer - den als Christ - en an der Lie - be er - kannt,
 Et le mon - de sau - ra que nous som - mes chré - tiens



and they'll know we are Chris-tians by our love.
 por - que u - ni - dos es - ta - mos en a - mor.
 ja, wir wer - den an der Lie - be erst er - kannt.
 par l'a - mour dont nos ac - tes sont em - preints.

Text: Peter Scholtes (USA), 1966; Spanish trans. Federico J. Pagura (Argentina); German trans. Anton Schulte (Germany) and Bernd Schlotloff (Germany); French trans. Claire-Lise de Benoît (Switzerland)
 Music: Peter Scholtes, 1966; arr. Richard D. Wetzel (USA)
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English

- 2 We will walk with each other,
 we will walk hand in hand; (2x)
 and together we'll spread the news
 that God is in our land. Refrain
- 3 We will work with each other,
 we will work side by side. (2x)
 And we'll guard each one's dignity
 and save each one's pride. Refrain

German

- 2 Lasst uns gehn miteinander,
 lasst uns gehn Hand in Hand; (2x)
 und den Menschen es sagen:
 Unser Gott ist im Land. Refrain
- 3 Lasst uns Seite an Seite
 an die Arbeit gehn. (2x)
 Es vergeht jede Trennung,
 wenn wir Jesus in uns sehn. Refrain

Epistle Reading: James 2:1-10, 14-17

My sisters and brothers, your faith in our glorious Savior Jesus Christ must not allow favoritism. Suppose there should come into your assembly a person wearing gold rings and fine clothes and, at the same time, a poor person dressed in shabby clothes. Suppose further you were to take notice of the well-dressed one and say, "Sit right here, in the seat of honor"; and say to the poor one, "You can stand!" or "Sit over there by my footrest." Haven't you in such a case discriminated in your hearts? Haven't you set yourselves up like judges who hand down corrupt decisions?

Listen, dear sisters and brothers: didn't God choose those who are poor in the eyes of the world to be rich in faith, and heirs of the kingdom promised to those who love God? Yet you've treated poor people shamefully! Aren't rich people exploiting you? Aren't they the ones who haul you into the courts, and who blaspheme that noble Name by which you've been called? You're acting rightly, however, if you fulfill the venerable law of the scriptures: "Love your neighbor as yourself." But if you show favoritism, you commit sin, and that same law convicts you as transgressors. Those who keep the whole Law except for one small point are still guilty of breaking all of it. My sisters and brothers, what good is it to profess faith without practicing it? Such faith has no power to save. If any are in need of clothes and have no food to live on, and one of you says to them, "Goodbye and good luck. Stay warm and well-fed," without giving them the bare necessities of life, then what good is this? So it is with faith. If good deeds don't go with it, faith is dead.

Children's Gathering Song: VT #510 "Today Earth is Singing"

Children's Time with Kathy Braun

Today earth is singing with stars up above,
Our arms wide in welcome for God's gift of love;
We greet you, dear children, we're glad you are here;
Your newness renews us and heaven comes near.

Offering Prayer/Offertory

Sharing Joys and Concerns/Prayer of the Church: *from VT #888*

- Steve's recovery from surgery (text him for photos)
- Lina's arrival in Canada before Christmas
- Wilhelm (Bill) Siemens, grandfather to Stephanie Siemens, passed away on August 15th. There was a funeral on the 18th
- thanksgiving for Stoney Knoll event with Harold, Edna, Frieda and Jake in attendance

Hymn: VT #287 "Jesus Christ Is Waiting"

Jesus Christ Is Waiting

NOËL NOUVELET 11.11.10.11

E5 A Em A Em/B B Em

1 Je - sus Christ is wait - ing, wait - ing in the streets;
 2 Je - sus Christ is rag - ing, rag - ing in the streets,
 3 Je - sus Christ is heal - ing, heal - ing in the streets;
 4 Je - sus Christ is danc - ing, danc - ing in the streets,
 5 Je - sus Christ is call - ing, call - ing in the streets,

E5 A Em A Em/B B Em

no one is his neigh - bor, all a - lone he eats.
 where in - jus - tice spi - rals and real hope re - treats.
 cur - ing those who suf - fer, touch - ing those he greets.
 where each sign of ha - tred he, with love, de - feats.
 "Who will join my jour - ney? I will guide their feet."

Em B/F# Em/G B B/D# Em F# B B7

Lis - ten, Lord Je - sus, I am lone - ly too.
 Lis - ten, Lord Je - sus, I am an - gry too.
 Lis - ten, Lord Je - sus, I have pit - y too.
 Lis - ten, Lord Je - sus, I should tri - umph too.
 Lis - ten, Lord Je - sus, let my fears be few.

Em A Em A Em/B B E5

Make me, friend or stran - ger, fit to wait on you.
 In the king - dom's caus - es let me rage with you.
 Let my care be ac - tive, heal - ing just like you.
 Where good con - quers e - vil let me dance with you.
 Walk one step be - fore me; I will fol - low you.

Gospel Reading: Mark 7:24-30

Jesus left Gennesaret and went to the territory of Tyre and Sidon. There he went into a certain house and wanted no one to recognize him, but he could not pass unrecognized. A woman whose young daughter had an unclean spirit heard about him. She approached Jesus and fell at his feet. The woman, who was Greek, a Syro-Phoenician by birth, begged Jesus to expel the demon from her daughter. He told her, "Let the children of the household satisfy themselves at table first. It is not right to take the food of the children and throw it to the dogs." She replied, "Yes, Rabbi, but even the dogs under the table eat the family's scraps." Then Jesus said to her, "For saying this, you may go home happy; the demon has left your daughter." When she got home, she found her daughter in bed and the demon gone.

Response to the Scripture

Leader: For the Word of God in Scripture,
For the Word of God among us,
For the Word of God within us,

People: Thanks be to God!

Hymn: VT #485 "Put Peace into Each Other's Hands"

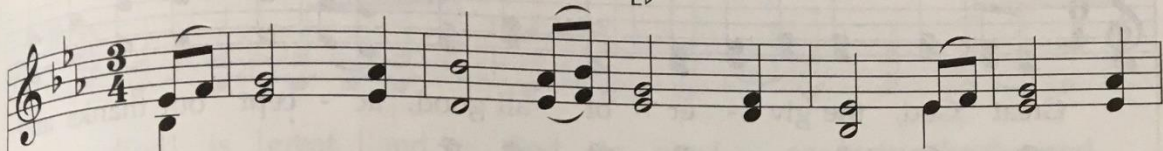
Put Peace into Each Other's Hands 485

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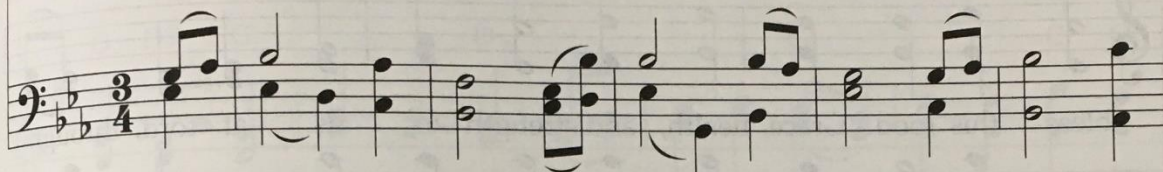
Capo 3: (C)
Eb

(G)
Bb

(C)
Eb



1 Put peace in - to each oth - er's hands and like a
 2 Put peace in - to each oth - er's hands with lov - ing
 3 Put peace in - to each oth - er's hands like bread we
 4 Put Christ in - to each oth - er's hands to share love's



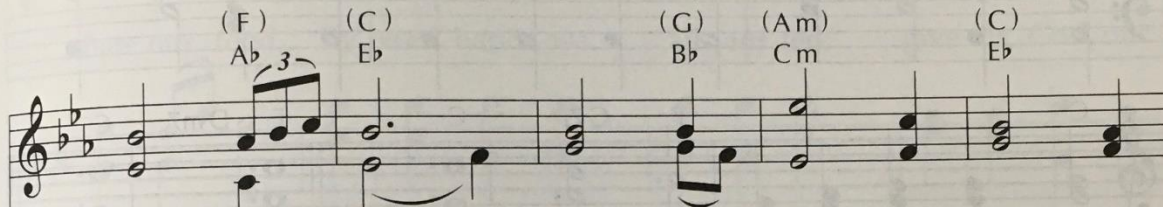
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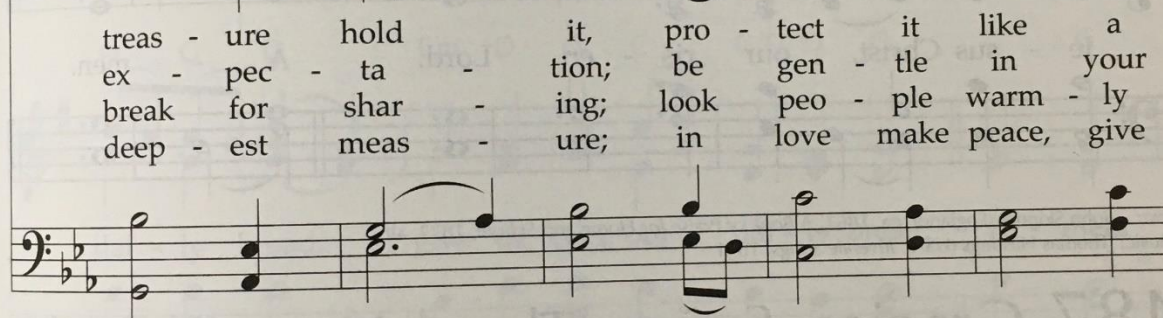
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(C)
Eb



treas - ure hold it, pro - tect it like a
 ex - pec - ta - tion; be gen - tle in your
 break for shar - ing; look peo - ple warm - ly
 deep - est meas - ure; in love make peace, give



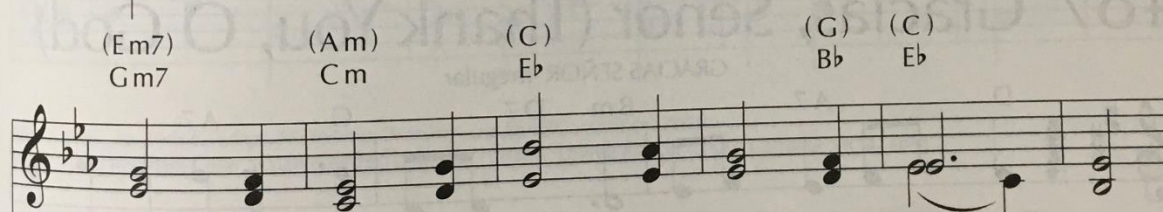
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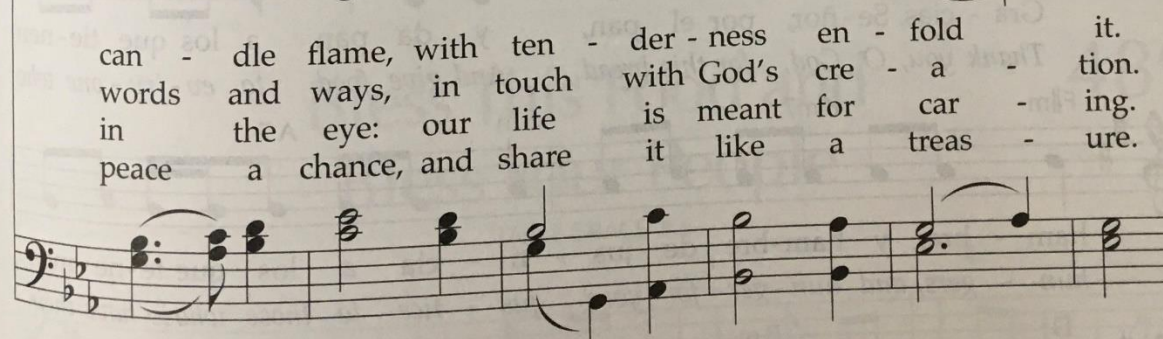
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can - dle flame, with ten - der - ness en - fold it.
 words and ways, in touch with God's cre - a - tion.
 in the eye: our life is meant for car - ing.
 peace a chance, and share it like a treas - ure.



For communion:
 As at communion, shape your hands
 into a waiting cradle;
 the gift of Christ receive, revere,
 united round the table.

Sermon: ***“The Syro-Phoenician Woman”***

Hymn: VT #722 **“Help Us to Help Each Other”**

722 Help Us to Help Each Other

MARTYRDOM (AVON) CM

G C G D G

1 Help us to help each oth - er, Lord, each
 2 Help us to build each oth - er up, your
 3 Je - sus, u - nit - ed by your grace, and
 4 Drawn by the mag - net of your love, we

D G Em G D G D Em

oth - er's load to bear, that all may live in
 strength with - in us prove. In - crease our faith, con -
 each to each en - deared, with con - fi - dence we
 find our hearts made new. Near - er each oth - er

C G D G Em G/D D7 G

true ac - cord, our joys and pains to share.
 firm our hope and fill us with your love.
 seek your face and know our prayer is heard.
 let us move, and near - er still to you.

Benediction: Christ, whose insistent call disturbs our settled lives: give us discernment to hear your word, and courage to follow wherever you may lead; that the voice of your gospel may reach to the ends of the earth. Amen.

This week's Yard Maintenance – E. & S. Penner and family

Patty's Week: Tues sermon, Weds office, Fri office, Sun pm – Tues at Waskiesu

Nora's Week: Working Sun, Tue, Wed,

TODAY'S WORSHIP TEAM

Speaker: Patty Friesen

Worship Leader: Patty Friesen

Song Leaders: Ben, Kathryn

Accompanist: Naomi

Children's Time: Kathy Braun

Sound: Stephanie

Usher: Bill

NEXT SUNDAY'S WORSHIP TEAM: September 5

Speaker: Mark Bigland-Pritchard

Worship Leader: Nora Pederberg

Song Leaders: Alex, Ben, Kathryn

Accompanist: Lynette

Children's Time: Vanessa

Sound: Keri/James

Usher: Harold

ANNOUNCEMENTS

***Today: 11:00 Deacons' meeting:** Thank you to everyone who adds to the deacons' freezer. We are collecting fresh again this fall or meals may be delivered directly to Jan and Steve.

***Would you like to be a Sunday School teacher** with our children? Please talk with Steve or Christy to learn more about this opportunity. We will be starting up on September 19, and welcome you to get to know our lovely children! Teachers will be committing to a three-week slot, and likely will only have 3 of those during the year.

OMC Youth Group - Friday Sept 10 6:30pm - 8:30pm - The hope is to meet outside OMC as we have been in the summer, play some games, have a snack, and talk about what we are hoping for as a youth group this year. If we get rains out we will meet masked inside the OMC gym!

MEGA MENNO Shekinah Move-A-Thon is planned for September, 18. More details coming soon.

Join us for Sunday School kick off on Sunday, September 12 10:00 a.m.!! It will be an informal Community Connections led service of music, reflection and time for community building. The hope is to be outside in the church yard/park. If the weather is uncooperative we will be in the multi-purpose room. (*Masks will be worn inside at all times*)

Please bring a bagged lunch with you if you feel comfortable.

This was planned to give us time together as a community to reflect and find some renewal before another busy year begins.

For more information please contact one of the Community Connections team members - Kaytee, Diane M, Adeline, Alex.

***September 19:** Children's Sunday school starts back in person. Adult & Youth Sunday school Forum in sanctuary with Harry and Leonard.

***September 26:** Christianity and Culture Hybrid: Room 3 and Zoom: A fresh look at worship with Voices Together.

OMC CALENDAR

Sept 10 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm Youth Group at OMC

Sept 12 10:00 am Patty Friesen speaking (not on Facebook)

**Held on the church yard - bring your own seating and a picnic lunch*

Sept 13 7:00 pm Worship mtg

Sept 15 7:00 pm Council mtg in person @ OMC

Sept 18 MEGA MENNO Shekinah Move-A-Thon

Sept 19 10:00 am Patty Friesen speaking (also on Facebook)

Sept 26 10:00 am Nora Pederberg (she/her) speaking (also on Facebook)

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