

FIRST MENNONITE CHURCH

Halstead, Kansas

March 10, 2019

Gathering Music Cindy Siemens

Welcome and Announcements Chuck Haspels

Centering Music

Call to Worship

L: Climb with Moses up the mountain of God.

P: God's glory shines like the sun.

L: Climb with Jesus up the mountain of God.

P: Christ's glory shines like the sun.

L: Climb with the faithful up the mountain of God.

P: The Spirit's glory shines like the sun.

L: Climb the mountain of God.

P: We have come to see and to worship.

*Praise Songs

Praise the Lord, Sing Hallelujah – HWB #50

Great is the Lord – HWB #87

God of Wonders – Projected

Offering and Offertory Church Budget

Children's Story

Praise Song

10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord) – Projected

Prayer of Praise and Concern Pastor Steve

Scripture Reading

Luke 9:28-36; Exodus 34:29-35 (pgs. 1609; 142)

Message

Pastor Steve

Transfiguration Sunday; Linger on the Mountain

*Closing Song

All the Pain (Beautiful Things) - Insert

*Benediction

*Postlude

Cindy Siemens

*Asterisk indicates to stand as you are able.

Visitors, please complete a Visitor Information Card from the pew pocket and place in the offering plate.

CALENDAR

March 11 9:30 am Women's Mission Society

March 13 6:30 pm Prayer Meeting

7:00 pm Choir

March 17 2:30 pm KMMC Practice

ANNOUNCEMENTS

A Church Spring Cleaning Day will be held on Saturday, March 23 beginning at 9 am. The Stewardship Ministry invites everyone to participate to clean up the church building. See James Nightingale if you have questions.

A sign-up sheet has been posted for anyone interested in purchasing a First Mennonite T-shirt or sweatshirt. Please sign up by March 24. Pricing may be a little different than listed on the sheet. See Kaitlen if you have any questions.

At the annual meeting in January the church approved a \$9,000 improvement to the sound system. Currently \$4,500 has been raised towards this goal. Please consider how you can participate in this project and place your contribution in the offering plate marked for *Sound System*. Thank you!

The Church Directory has updates! A copy was placed in each church mailbox recently. Please update your directory with these new pages and the corrections listed on the blue sheet. If you are in need of a complete directory, please see Debbie or Kaitlen.

March 17 will be Bethel College Sunday and we will be joined by the newly appointed Vice President for Institutional Advancement, Brad Kohlman, who will bring the morning message. Since it is spring break there are no student music groups available so our musical group will be "Gabriel's Trumpets" which is a group of 8 Bethel College Alumni from the Central Kansas area.

The Swiss Mennonite Cultural and Historical Association (SMCHA) annual meeting will be March 10 at 2:30 pm at First Mennonite Church in McPherson. See the flyer on the bulletin board.

The next concert of the Prairie Window Concert Series, featuring *The Special Consensus*, will be on Sunday, March 10 at 4 p.m. at the Dyck Arboretum in Hesston. Join us for an evening of great music and good food in a prairie garden setting. Tickets: \$20 adults/\$10 kids, plus tax. Purchase tickets online or call 620-327-8127 to reserve your seats.

All women are invited to the Western District Women in Mission (WDWM) Spring Supper on Thursday, March 21 at First Mennonite Church in McPherson. Speaker: Sheryl Wilson, Executive Director of KIPCOR. See flyer on the bulletin board for more information including how to RSVP.

Nancy Sprowell Geise, author of the biography, *Auschwitz #34207: The Joe Rubinstein Story*, will share about the Holocaust survivor's story and her relationship with him, at Hesston College on Tuesday, April 2, at 7 p.m., at Hesston Mennonite Church. A reception and chance to meet the author will follow the presentation.

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WELCOMERS TODAY

ORGANIST/PIANIST

NURSERY TODAY

OFFERING LAST WEEK

Wednesday Supper

OFFERING NEXT SUNDAY

WELCOMERS NEXT SUNDAY

NURSERY NEXT SUNDAY

Arnita Haury

Cindy Siemens

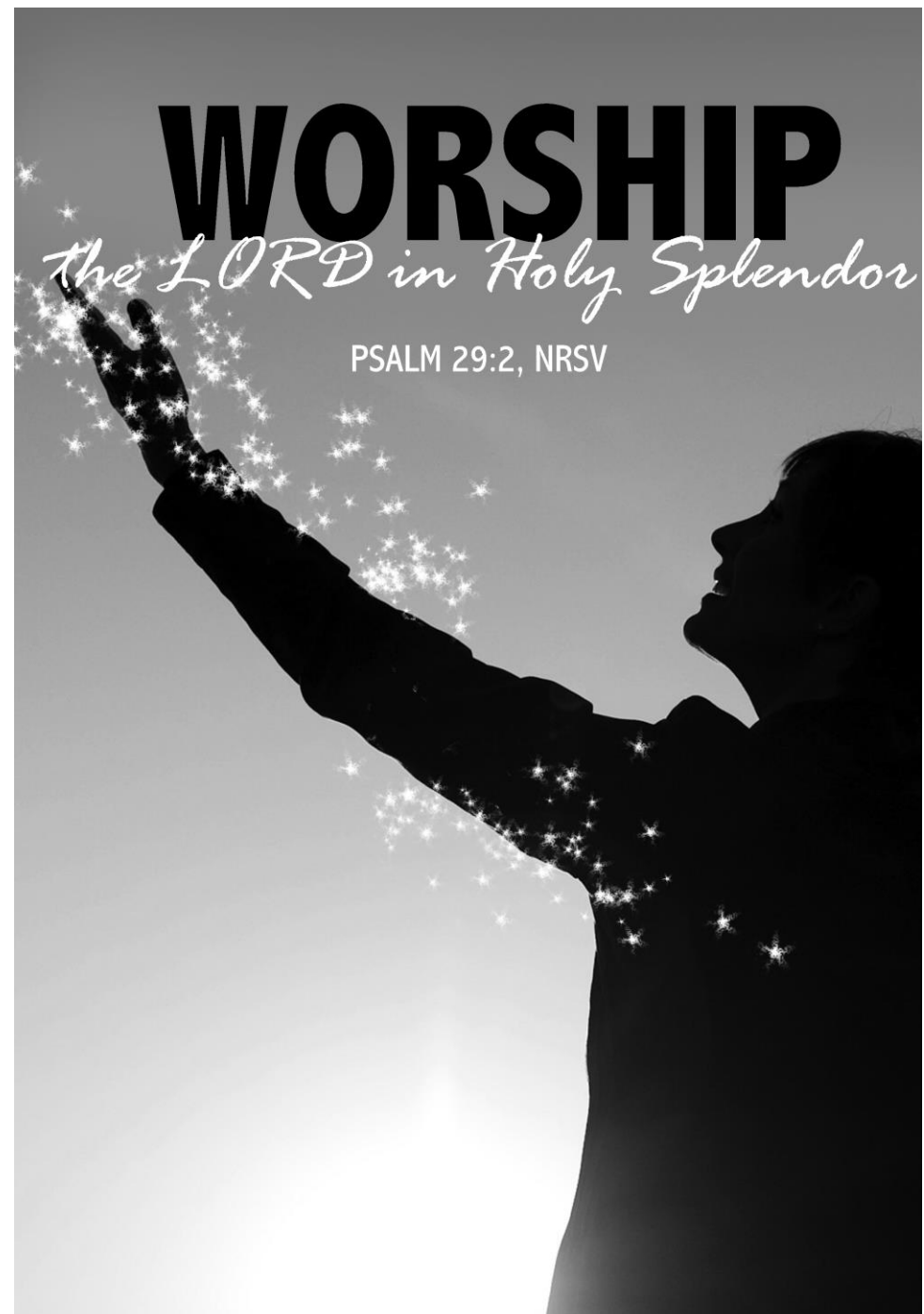
Kaitlen Ortman & Sandy Lewis

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Bethel College

Harley & Elaine Mohler

Sara Smoker & Lauren Mueller



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