

CINCINNATI MENNONITE FELLOWSHIP

01/03/2021

Time: 10:15 AM (Worship starts at 10:30)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/371911727?pwd=bEdOMTgOR1NQK2NRMXdBNklpVG1Sdz09>

Meeting ID: 371 911 727

Password: 180430

WORSHIP LEADER: CLAIR HOCHSTETLER

SPEAKER: RANDY MILLER

MUSIC COORDINATOR: GRETA HOLT

GATHERING

PRELUDE *A Ceremony of Carols: Wolcum Yole* (Benjamin Britten)
(CBC/McGill Youth Choir Gala)

Verse 1 (Translation)

Welcome, Welcome,
Welcome to You, our heavenly King.
Welcome, you who was born one morning,
Welcome, for You, shall we sing!

WELCOME Clair H.

CALL TO WORSHIP Clair H. & Connie B.

Leader: A new day has dawned, a new year begun.

People: O Lord, call us so we may hear Your voice.

Leader: The world turns to hopes and dreams of the future.

People: O Lord, keep us in Your ways and on Your path.

Leader: We enter this new year with hope and excitement.

People: O Lord, remind us that You lead us.

All: O Lord, guide us as look to You, and worship You.
Amen.

~ Rev. Mindi, <http://rev-o-lution.org/>

OPENING PRAYER Clair H.

CELEBRATING

MUSIC *A Ceremony of Carols: This Little Babe* (Benjamin Britten)
(Choir of New College, Oxford)

Verse 1 (Translation)

This little Babe so few days old
Has come to rifle Satan's fold.
All hell quakes at his presence,
Though he himself shivers.
For in this weak, unarmed guise
He will surprise the very gates of Hell!

Please plan to join CMF worship on Sunday mornings at 10:15 via Zoom through **February** and possibly longer. Thank you and be safe.

CMF Church Council

CMF WORSHIP ~ SERVING JANUARY 3, 2021

Coordinator:	Greta H.
Worship Leader:	Clair H.
Speaker:	Randy M.
Music Coordinator:	Greta H.
Children's Time:	Jane P. (pre-church)
Scripture Reader:	Connie B.
Attendance:	Jim M.
PowerPoint:	Lisa M.
Zoom Host:	Rebecca B.

CMF ONGOING ZOOM GROUPS

CMF SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE ~ Sundays morning at 10:15;

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CMF SOCIAL HOUR ~ Thursday evenings at 7:00

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/308580590?pwd=Sk9heDZSUm1NamIsWE1VE5tbThpQT09>

Meeting ID: 308 580 590

Passcode: 752912

ADULT FORUM ~ Monday mornings at 10:00

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83996398199?pwd=UjFVdINFc0lXek1rNmJxeU1zTUJ1QT09>

Meeting ID: 839 9639 8199

Password: 921626

CMF SINGLES GROUP ~ Wednesdays at 12 noon

Join Singles Group Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89174011887?pwd=bmJzVjgyL09iSkFvVVQzZ3FBdHhCZz09>

Meeting ID: 891 7401 1887

Password: 655449

Phone: 1 301 715 8592

CMF Men's Group ~ Third Saturday morning at 8:00

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86871094702?pwd=M3VUTU5mdWRcRXJwNFRKaHNOeGIBQT09>

Meeting ID: 868 7109 4702

Passcode: 311459

Congregational Announcements

Please send announcements to the office by noon Friday.

Youth Formation Class meets Sunday, Jan. 3 at 5:00 p.m. via Zoom. For upcoming meetings, are you willing to share your faith journey with the class? Contact Suzanne Marie. Thanks so much!

CMF "FUN NIGHT" ~ Saturday, Jan. 9, at 7:00 p.m. PLEASE email a digital photo of your BABY PICTURE to Jean Swartley at sjrodenberg@gmail.com by MONDAY, JANUARY 4! And if you have a creative act to share, please contact Elaine Liechty at eliechty64@gmail.com by Wednesday, January 6!

Excerpts from *Prayer for Peace* by Thomas Merton (1962)

A day of ominous decision has now dawned on this free nation. Save us then from our obsessions!

Open our eyes, dissipate our confusions, teach us to understand ourselves and our adversary.

Let us never forget that sins against the law of love are punishable by loss of faith, and those without faith stop at no crime to achieve their ends!

Help us to be masters of the weapons that threaten to master us. Help us to use our science for peace and plenty, not for war and destruction.

Save us from the compulsion to follow our adversaries in all that we most hate, confirming them in their hatred and suspicion of us.

Resolve our inner contradictions, which now grow beyond belief and beyond bearing. They are at once a torment and a blessing: for if you had not left us the light of conscience, we would not have to endure them.

Teach us to wait and trust.

Grant light, grant strength and patience to all who work for peace. But grant us above all to see that our ways are not necessarily your ways, that we cannot fully penetrate the mystery of your designs and that the very storm of power now raging on this earth reveals your hidden will and your inscrutable decision.

Grant us to see your face in the lightning of this cosmic storm.