

CINCINNATI MENNONITE FELLOWSHIP

02/07/2021

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

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/371911727?pwd=bEdOMTg0R1NQK2NRMXdBNklpVG1Sdz09>

Meeting ID: 371 911 727

Password: 180430

WORSHIP LEADER: MAGGIE SEECK

SPEAKER: RANDY MILLER

MUSIC COORDINATORS: CHRISTINE SCHUMACHER & HAL HESS

Focus: *The Psalms are full of laments, both personal and communal, and we tend to shy away from them. In Israel, they were used in rituals of healing during times of crisis. But they are not limited to their original settings and apply to a pandemic. Psalm 88 is the saddest of them all, yet it does not claim to have the last word, even when God remains a mystery.*

GATHERING

PRELUDE

I've been buked

(Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater & Singers)

WELCOME

Maggie S.

CALL TO WORSHIP / PRAYER

Leader: God of every place,
some of us see you today
from mountains of joy and confidence,
mountains of gratitude and praise.

**People: Some of us seek you today
from valleys of grief or doubt,
valleys of loss or exhaustion.**

***ALL: And in all places,
there you are with us,
nudging us onward.***

Leader: When we descend from the heights,
show us your presence on the ground.

**People: When we rise from the depths,
show us the light of your way.**

ALL: Meet us all on the path made by Jesus.

CELEBRATING

MUSIC

There is a balm in Gilead (Chanticleer, featuring soprano Cortez Mitchell, former student at Cincinnati Conservatory of Music {CCM} & in Mary Stucky's Oratorio class)

Hearing

TESTIMONY	Jenna W.	"Healing in the Dark of Winter"
SCRIPTURE READING	Hal H.	Psalm 88:1-12
MEDITATION	Randy M.	"Darkness, My Old Friend" (Psalm 88:13-18)

RESPONDING

SONG OF RESPONSE	<i>We shall walk through the valley in peace</i> (Spiritual) (First Plymouth Church, Lincoln, Nebraska; conductor, Ariel Merivil)	
SHARING JOYS & SORROWS	Maggie S.	
PRAYER		

SENDING

MUSIC	<i>In His care</i>	(William Dawson; St. Olaf Choir)
BENEDICTION	Randy M.	
OFFERINGS		

ANNOUNCEMENTS IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH Maggie S.

Following the service, there will be an invitation to join breakout rooms for smaller groups to check in with each other. You may click YES to the invitation or remain in the larger meeting room.



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

CMF WORSHIP ~ SERVING FEBRUARY 7, 2021

Coordinator:	Greta H.
Worship Leader:	Maggie S.
Speaker:	Randy M.
Music Coordinators:	Christine S. & Hal H.
Children's Time:	Jane P. (Pre-Church)
Testimony:	Jenna W.
Scripture Reader:	Hal H.
Attendance:	Ed D.
PowerPoint:	Lisa M.
Zoom Host:	Rebecca B.

CMF ONGOING ZOOM GROUPS & LINKS

CMF SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE ~ Sundays morning at 10:15: Worship starts at 10:30

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CMF SOCIAL HOUR ~ Thursday evenings at 7:00

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/308580590?
pwd=Sk9heDZSUm1NamlsWEEd1VE5tbThpQT09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/308580590?pwd=Sk9heDZSUm1NamlsWEEd1VE5tbThpQT09)
Meeting ID: 308 580 590
Passcode: 752912

ADULT FORUM ~ Monday mornings at 10:00

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83996398199?
pwd=UjFVdINFc0lXek1rNmJxeU1zTUJ1QT09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83996398199?pwd=UjFVdINFc0lXek1rNmJxeU1zTUJ1QT09)
Meeting ID: 839 9639 8199
Password: 921626

CMF SINGLES GROUP ~ Wednesdays at 12 noon

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89174011887?
pwd=bmJzVjgyL09iSkFvVVOzZ3FBdHhCZz09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89174011887?pwd=bmJzVjgyL09iSkFvVVOzZ3FBdHhCZz09)
Meeting ID: 891 7401 1887
Password: 655449
Phone: 1 301 715 8592

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

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86871094702?
pwd=M3VUTU5mdWRcRXJwNFRKaHN0eGIBQT09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86871094702?pwd=M3VUTU5mdWRcRXJwNFRKaHN0eGIBQT09)
Meeting ID: 868 7109 4702
Passcode: 311459

From *Psalms of Lament* by Ann Weems

How long will you watch, O God,
as your people live huddled in death?

The whole world
is dressed in tears,
and I have joined
the procession of the bereaved
who walk daily in the death places.

We drown in the sea.
We bleed on the battlefield.
We lie stricken on sickbeds.
We are judged in the courtrooms.
We are victims of crime.
We are homeless and hungry.
Is this not enough?

We are tormented by mental illness.
We are abandoned by loved ones.

We wait in unemployment lines.
We grow up on the streets.
We live with disabilities.

We are injured in accidents.
We are plagued by family problems.
We fight drug and alcohol abuse.

Have you not heard enough, O God?
We sit in police stations.

We watch our loved ones endure pain.
We are falsely accused.

We encounter prejudice and hate.
We are humiliated and abused.

We contend with unbearable stress and anxiety.
We weep by the grave.

We are your people, O Creator God!

We are the work of your hands.

Is there no more grace
for your troubled ones?

Will we continue
our unholy procession
around the pit
of living death?

There is no sun, no moon, no star.

We cannot see our way.

Have pity on your world, O God,
Have pity on your weeping world! . . .