

Durham Mennonite Church

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Welcome to Durham Mennonite Church!

Welcome and Announcements

Opening Prayer

Almighty God,
to whom all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from whom no secrets are hidden;
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
so that we may truly love you
and worthily praise your holy name;
through our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Call to Worship (VT #854)

Leader: Some of us are exhausted.

People: We come to rest.

Leader: Some of us are curious about Jesus.

People: We come to learn.

Leader: Some of us are hungry.

People: We come to be fed.

Leader: Some of us are disoriented.

People: We come to pray.

Leader: Some of us are broken.

People: We come to be healed.

Leader: We gather around you today,
O Christ.

People: Teach us, feed us, hear us, heal us.

All: Grant us your peace. Amen.

Hymn - VT #49 All who are thirsty

All who are thirsty

And all who are weak

Come to the fountain

Dip your heart in the streams of life

Let the pain and the sorrow

Be washed away

In the waves of His mercy

As deep cries out to deep, we sing

Come Lord Jesus, come

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Come Lord Jesus, come

To all who are thirsty

And all who are weak

Come to the fountain
Dip your heart in the streams of life
Let the pain and the sorrow
Be washed away
In the waves of His mercy
As deep cries out to deep, we sing
Holy Spirit come
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Hymn - VT #57 Holy Spirit, come with power

Holy Spirit, come with power,
breathe into our aching night.
We expect you this glad hour,
waiting for your strength and light.
We are fearful, we are ailing,

we are weak and selfish too.
Break upon your congregation,
give us vigor, life anew.
Holy Spirit, come with fire,
burn us with your presence new.
Let us as one mighty choir
sing our hymn of praise to you.
Burn away our wasted sadness
and enflame us with your love.
Burst upon your congregation,
give us gladness from above.

Holy Spirit, bring your message,
burn and breathe each word anew
deep into our tired living
till we strive your work to do.
Teach us love and trusting kindness,
lend our hands to those who hurt.
Breathe upon your congregation

and inspire us with your word.

Hymn - VT #86 You are exalted

You are exalted forever exalted on High

I will praise you

You are exalted forever exalted

And I will praise your name

You are my God

Forever your truth shall reign

Heaven and Earth

Rejoice in your holy name

You are exalted forever exalted on high.

Prayer of Confession (VT #890)

Let us confess our sin

in the presence of God and one another.

Most merciful God,

We confess that we are captive to sin

**and cannot free ourselves.
We have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done and left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart.
We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
Forgive us, renew us, and lead us.
So that we may delight in your will
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

God who is rich in mercy,
loved us even when we were dead in sin,
and made us alive together with Christ.
By grace we have been saved!
In the name of Jesus Christ our sins are forgiven
Almighty God,
strengthen us with power
through the Holy Spirit,
that Christ may live in our hearts through faith.
Amen.

Hymn - VT #436 How great thou art

Oh Lord, my God

When I, in awesome wonder

Consider all the worlds Thy hands have made

I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder

Thy power throughout the universe displayed

Then sings my soul, my Savior God to Thee

How great Thou art, how great Thou art

Then sings my soul, my Savior God to Thee

How great Thou art, how great Thou art

When through the woods

and forest glades I wander

and hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees
when I look down
from lofty mountain grandeur
and hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze.

**Then sings my soul, my Savior God to Thee
How great Thou art, how great Thou art
Then sings my soul, my Savior God to Thee
How great Thou art, how great Thou art**

And when I think that God, His Son not sparing
Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in
That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing
He bled and died to take away my sin

**Then sings my soul, my Savior God to Thee
How great Thou art, how great Thou art**

**Then sings my soul, my Savior God to Thee
How great Thou art, how great Thou art**

When Christ shall come,
with shout of acclamation

And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart

Then I shall bow, in humble adoration

And then proclaim, my God, how great Thou art

**Then sings my soul, my Savior God to Thee
How great Thou art, how great Thou art
Then sings my soul, my Savior God to Thee
How great Thou art, how great Thou art
How great Thou art, how great Thou art**

Scripture – 2 Corinthians 4:5-18

5 For we do not proclaim ourselves; we
proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as
your slaves for Jesus' sake. 6 For it is the God
who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," who
has shone in our hearts to give the light of the
knowledge of the glory of God in the face of
Jesus Christ. 7 But we have this treasure in clay
jars, so that it may be made clear that this

extraordinary power belongs to God and does not come from us. 8 We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; 9 persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; 10 always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be made visible in our bodies. 11 For while we live, we are always being given up to death for Jesus' sake, so that the life of Jesus may be made visible in our

mortal flesh. 12 So death is at work in us, but life in you. 13 But just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture—"I believed, and so I spoke"—we also believe, and so we speak, 14 because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence. 15 Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase

thanksgiving, to the glory of God. 16 So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. 17 For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, 18 because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal.

Scripture - 1 Corinthians 13:11-13

When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child.

When I became an adult, I put an end to childish ways. For now we see only a reflection, as in a mirror, but then we will see face to face. Now I know only in part; then I will know fully, even as I have been fully known. And now faith, hope, and love remain, these three, and the greatest of these is love.

Sermon – Jonathan Robie

Reflection on the sermon

Sharing praises and prayer concerns

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name;
your kingdom come,
your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory
are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Hymn - VT #160 Leaning

Leaning on the everlasting arms

What a fellowship, what a joy divine,
Leaning on the everlasting arms;
What a blessedness, what a peace is mine,
Leaning on the everlasting arms.

**Leaning, leaning,
Safe and secure from all alarms;
Leaning, leaning,
Leaning on the everlasting arms.**

Oh, how sweet to walk in this pilgrim way,
Leaning on the everlasting arms;
Oh, how bright the path grows from day to day,
Leaning on the everlasting arms.

**Leaning, leaning,
Safe and secure from all alarms;
Leaning, leaning,
Leaning on the everlasting arms.**

What have I to dread, what have I to fear,
Leaning on the everlasting arms;
I have blessed peace with my Lord so near,
Leaning on the everlasting arms.

**Leaning, leaning,
Safe and secure from all alarms;
Leaning, leaning,
Leaning on the everlasting arms.**

Benediction