

MANHATTAN MENNONITE FELLOWSHIP



SEEKING THE PEACE OF THE CITY

¹ A classic Mennonite quilt pattern. Quilts celebrate distinct, individual patterns and the beauty of each pattern contributing to make beauty, warmth, a fullness and wholeness.

WELCOME

CALL to WORSHIP

Through the abundance of your steadfast love,
We will enter your house.

We will bow our hearts toward your holy temple
in awe and wonder of your splendor.

Lead us, O Holy One, with song and joy and good news, into your
promise. (Adapted from Psalm 5)

(Reflective pause)

CALL to DISCIPLESHIP

“A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I
have loved you, you also are to love one another. By this all people will
know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.” –

Jesus (John 13:34-35)

SONG

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Guide us, O God, by your Word, and Holy Spirit, that in your light we may see light, in your truth find freedom, and in your will discover peace; through Christ our Lord, Amen.

Psalm 56

To the leader: according to The Dove on Far-off Terebinths. Of David. A Miktam, when the Philistines seized him in Gath.

Be gracious to me, O God, for people trample on me;
all day long foes oppress me;
my enemies trample on me all day long,
for many fight against me.

O Most High, when I am afraid,
I put my trust in you.

In God, whose word I praise,
in God I trust; I am not afraid;
what can flesh do to me?

All day long they seek to injure my cause;
all their thoughts are against me for evil.
They stir up strife, they lurk,
they watch my steps.
As they hoped to have my life,
so repay them for their crime;
in wrath cast down the peoples, O God!

You have kept count of my tossings;
put my tears in your bottle.
Are they not in your record?
Then my enemies will retreat

in the day when I call.

This I know, that God is for me.

In God, whose word I praise,

in the Lord, whose word I praise,

in God I trust; I am not afraid.

What can a mere mortal do to me?

My vows to you I must perform, O God;

I will render thank offerings to you.

For you have delivered my soul from death,

and my feet from falling,

so that I may walk before God

in the light of life.

MESSAGE

“So that I may walk before God”

(Reflective pause)

BREAKOUT ROOMS

In this autumnal season, where do you see decay and ruin that may lead to new life?

OFFERING

INTROS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

JOYS & CONCERNS

Holy One, hear our prayer

COMMON PRAYER²

Holy One: Your kindom come. Your will be done. On earth as it is in heaven. Nourish us with bread that sustains body and soul. Transform us into a forgiven and forgiving people, a loving and beloved

² *Kindom* is a gender-inclusive term for God’s reign (and beloved community). At MMF, we believe God has many pronouns.

community; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, both personal and systemic. For yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen

SONG

BLESSING³

Now may the God of peace, who makes all things new through Christ, make us complete in everything good. And may the Spirit continue to enlarge our compassion to do good works in our world. Amen.

³ Adapted from Hebrews 13:20