

Benton Mennonite Church

September 10 2017

Worship leader: Patty Nofziger Speaker: Doug Kaufman
Song leader: Barb Meyer-Reed Children's focus: Bruce Nofziger
Childcare: Bruce Nofziger and Barb Meyer-Reed

The Land is Mine

9:25 Silence and reflection

HWB 166 *I'll praise my Maker*
Peace prayer
Call to worship

HWB 53 *God of the earth, the sky, the sea*
MH 465 *Each little flower that opens*
SJ 133 *Affirming faith*

Children's focus
Scripture Genesis 2: 4-15

HWB 155 *O God, great womb*
HWB 511 *God who touches earth*

Children dismissed to childcare and activity table
Message *We are the land's*
Song of response

Offering
HWB 97 *From the hands*

Congregational sharing and prayer
Introductions and announcements
Sending song

HWB = Hymnal Worship Book (Blue) SJ = Sing the Journey (Green)
BF = Blue Folder MH = Mennonite Hymnal SS = Song Sheet

Today

- ✝ We begin a new sermon series called "The Land is Mine" exploring Biblical perspectives on our relationship with land, God, and neighbor. Is the land ours? How do we think about owning, possessing, and using the land? The title is taken from God's declaration in Leviticus 25:23 that the land cannot be sold because it belongs to God. The Sunday school class on land will explore land issues in Palestine-Israel and with indigenous peoples throughout the world but especially in North America.
- ✝ **11am, Sunday school**
 - ❖ Preschool, Middle basement, Room 021
 - ❖ Primary, South basement, Room 013
 - ❖ Junior Youth, South basement, Room 012
 - ❖ Youth, North basement, Room 003
 - ❖ R³ (young adults), Room 002
 - ❖ Land, Room 114, teacher: Doug Kaufman
 - ❖ Wired Word, Room 113, teacher: Helene Hoover
 - ❖ Bible Study, Room 105, teacher: Orv Yoder
- ✝ **12noon, Fellowship meal.** Everyone welcome.
- ✝ **1pm, River Stewards** at the Meyer-Reed Farm.

Worship activity backpacks are available for preschool age children in the back of the sanctuary. Anyone is invited to come back to the activity table as the sermon begins for the rest of the service.

Large print hymnals and hearing devices are available. See the sound person in the back for assistance.

This Week

- ✝ *Tuesday, 7pm*, Pastoral Team
- ✝ *Wednesday, 9:30am*, Friendship Circle
- ✝ *Wednesday, 7pm*, Physical Facilities

Next Sunday

- ✝ Brenda will preach on "Curse of the land" based on Genesis 3:17-19, 4:1-16.
- ✝ Noon fellowship meal, hosted by H-M.

Worship team for next Sunday

Worship leader: Patty Nofziger Song leader: Barb Meyer-Reed
Childcare: Helene Hoover and Rich Meyer
Greeters: Dee Swartz, Marian Miller Sound: Christian Wenger

Offering for Sunday, September 3 2017

Received: \$1,083

Weekly needed: \$2,945

Difference: (\$1,862)

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Staff hours for this week

Brenda: Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday

Doug: Wednesday, Friday

Steve: Friday

Announcements and other bulletin information can be put in Steven Johns's mailbox, sent to office@bentonchurch.org, or left in the bottom left drawer of the desk in the secretary's office. All information is due by 7 pm, Thursday.

Please send all audio visual materials to soundguys@bentonchurch.org by 8 am, Sunday.

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Sermons available at sermon.bentonchurch.org

***We will love as Jesus loves,
pursuing God's peace
at the river and at the table.***

