

ERB STREET MENNONITE CHURCH
Sunday, May 5, 2024

Prelude

Welcome & Land Acknowledgement

Call to Worship (adapted from VT 915 & Psalm 78)

Leader: Praise and thanks to you, holy God,
for by your Word you made all things:

**People: You spoke light into darkness,
called forth beauty into chaos,
and brought life into being.**

Leader: Give ear, O my people, to my teaching;
incline your ears to the words of my mouth.

**People: Things that we have heard and known,
that our ancestors have told us.**

**All: For your Word of life, O God, we give you
thanks and praise. Amen.**

Opening Prayer

Gathering Hymn *Wonderful Grace of Jesus* **VT 170**
(Selected by Marjorie Kuhn for her 96th birthday on May 5)

Story Circle

Children's Coin Offering *You Are Salt for the Earth* **VT 297**

Offertory Prayer*

Silent Prayer of Attention

Scripture Readings Psalm 78:2; Matthew 13:31-35

Sung Scripture Response *Alleluia (refrain)* **VT 66**

Sermon *Sowing Stories*

Hymn of Response *In the Bulb There Is a Flower* **VT 670**

Congregational Prayer

Announcements

Hymn of Sending *Siyahamba (We Are Marching)* **VT 793**

Benediction

Postlude

*Coffee and visiting in the Fellowship Hall
followed by Sunday School for all ages.*

PARTICIPANTS

Worship Leader:	Fred Loganbill
Accompanist:	Kayla Wallace Groh
Song Leader:	Karin Bileski
Story Circle:	Fred Loganbill
Scripture Reader:	Jo-Anne Matthies
Sermon:	Johnny Wideman
Congregational Prayer:	Scott Brubaker-Zehr
Sound:	Geoff Vanderkooy
Tech Host:	Akio Saito
Ushers:	John & Rosemary Shantz
Greeters:	Paul & Beth Gilbert Catherine Boyts

* Offering may be placed in the box at the back of the sanctuary or by other means as listed in the bulletin.