

*“I am the voice of one calling in the wilderness,
‘Make straight the way for the Lord.’”
John 1:23*

Prelude

Welcome and Call to Worship

Opening songs: H 6 Here in this place
 H 50 Praise the Lord, sing hallelujah
 H 307 Will you let me be your servant

Prayers of blessing:

 Parent-child dedication for
 John & Roslyn Ricker bringing Eva Grace
 Rob and Kate Dutkiewicz bringing Maren, Simon and Milo
 Sending prayers for Tyler Oswald and Nate Gerig

Sharing from the MYFers

Thanksgiving for the work of Hilary Scarsella as Youth Coordinator

Offering/Offering Song:

 Bless these gifts, O Lord. Please use them as You may.
 We praise You, we lift You up. Accept our thanks for today.
 Bless our lives, O Lord. Now use us as You may.
 We praise You, we lift You up. Dwell in us now we pray.

Scripture Readings: Isaiah 40:3-5 (p 666) & John 1:19-23 (p 977)

Sermon: Sen-se-ni-na Leroy and Joan Willems

Song of Response

Introductions and Announcements

Benediction and Closing Song STJ 73 The Lord lift you up

Thank you...Prelude/Offertory: Brenda Chupp and Jason Barr;
Worship Leader: David Sutter; Song Leader: Murray Weaver;
Prayers: Janice Sutter and Hilary Scarsella; Scripture reader: Lynn Jackson; Sermon/sharing: Leroy & Joan Willems

Large print hymnals and hearing assistance are available for your convenience. Please see an usher for use during worship.

H=Hymnal, A Worship Book, navy songbook

SJ=Sing the Journey, green paperback songbook

Today, Sunday, August 29, 2010.

Worship. We welcome Leroy and Joan Willems Guest as our guest speakers. They will be meeting with the adults during the second hour for more conversation about their work in Sudan.

Greeters: Luke Jacobs, Renee Hochstetler, Don & Marceil Yoder, Trudy Leach

Welcome Center: Renee Hochstetler

Coffee clean up Northwest AG: Betty Nissley

Nursery: Worship: Carla Nussbaum

Education: Melqui Rodriguez

Children’s bulletins and crayons are on the table by the library.

GAP time 10:45-11 in the Chapel and adjoining room.

Children’s formation hour returns TODAY: New classrooms are as follows:

Education Hour

CHILDREN AND YOUTH

2s - 4s Room 106

K & 1 Room 103

2nd grade Room 102

3rd & 4th grade Room 101

Junior high Lower level

Senior high Lower level

Visitors and new attenders – we’re glad you’re here! Please complete a Welcome Card (at the Welcome Table) to help us get to know you better. LEARN MORE ABOUT OUR CHURCH AND MENNONITES at the brochure rack or www.krnc.net.

Today:

We welcome **Leroy and Joan Willems** (formerly of KRMC) who are currently Mennonite Central Committee Sudan Representatives. Halfway through their five year commitment, the couple is home in the US visiting and sharing stories of their work in Sudan.

Sudan's 23-year civil war decimated communities in southern Sudan which is one of the most impoverished regions in the world. About 2 million people were killed and 4 million people were forced to flee their homes before a peace agreement ended the conflict in 2005. Since then, about 1.7 million people have returned to their home areas after spending years in refugee camps or other temporary living arrangements.

MCC has launched a multimillion-dollar campaign to help people in southern Sudan recover. The campaign, "Sudan: Coming Home", is focused on building schools, supporting education, assisting farmers and promoting peace in southern Sudan.

Leroy and Joan were sent by MCC to partner with local churches who are trying to respond to the devastating effects of this civil war. Together with the churches in Sudan, they are working to address issues such as food, security, income generation, peacebuilding, HIV/AIDS, and trauma healing.

For more information about MCC's work in Sudan, check out mcc.org.

Our worship services in September will feature four Old Testament stories:

September 5. Abraham and Sarah. Janice Sutter will preach.

September 12. Ruth. Janice Sutter will preach.

Matthew Insley will be installed and licensed as
Pastor of Formation for Youth and Young Adults.

September 19. Jonah. André Gingerich Stoner will preach.

September 26. Esther. Janice Sutter will preach.

PASTORS:

David Sutter, Pastor of Congregational Life and Vision

Janice Yordy Sutter, Pastor of Worship and Preaching

André Gingerich Stoner, Pastor of Missions

Hilary Scarsella, Coordinator of Youth Ministry

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