

Wednesday Morning Worship Service

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Church of the Brethren 221st Annual Conference
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10:00 a.m. Gathering Music
10:10 a.m. Announcements

Invitation to Come

Prelude *Let Us Gather* Krahenbuhl

*Call to Worship

Leader: Sisters and brothers, with color and with candles, with a sense of mission and with movement, we have, indeed, gathered here together, to continue the work of Jesus.

People: We have gathered here all week, to listen and to look for God; to be strengthened for participation in God's work of compassion and peace.

Leader: Bound together in Christ, calling upon the Holy Spirit, let us open ourselves once more to God's movement within and among us. Let us open ourselves to receive God's final blessing or challenge, as we prepare to make the journey home.

*Opening Hymn *Holy Spirit Come With Power*
Hymn #26

*Invocation

Invitation to Confession

Sharing the Story of our Faith Psalm 107: 1-13; 21-22

Song of Confession *Lord, I want to be a Christian*
444

Moments of Silence

Invitation to Give

"How Do We Respond?"

Offertory saxophone music
Prayer of Dedication

Invitation to Prayer

As the Taize music begins that will carry us into this special prayer time, you are invited to begin singing as you turn to form clusters with persons behind or next to you. As the music tapers off, take hands or touch shoulders as you are comfortable. Continue in prayer, silently or aloud, as each feels led. Pray for those in your circle, for your families, for all those here, the larger church, and/or the world. Be attentive to the power of being gathered as a large body in prayer. We will move into Lord, Listen to your Children Praying, to signal the close our prayer time.

Hymn *Vene Sancte Spiritus* (Taize Piece) 298

Circles of love

Responding in Song *Lord, Listen to your Children Praying* 353

Invitation to the Word

Sharing the Story of our Faith An offering of
Drama

Excerpts from Acts 3

Meditation “*Servants Enabled with a Great Power*”
Acts 3:1-8; 4:29-31, 33

Choir Anthem *When the Holy Ghost Shows Up*
Mason/Renfroe

*Benediction spoken by
Congregational hymn Asithi Amen 64

Postlude

Preacher: Ataloa Woodin
Worship Leader: Erin Matteson
Music Coordinator: Joseph Helfrich
Choir Director: Becky Rhodes
Praise Band: Joseph Helfrich
Brian Kruschwitz
Brett Clark
Andrew Wright
Lee Krahenbuhl
Organist: Chris Brewer
Pianist: Bob Iseminger
Offertory Musician: Thomas Dowdy

*Stand as you are able