

# The Faith of a Steward

September 24, 2017

## GATHERING HYMN

Hilary Rhodes, Songleader

Words of Welcome

Shawn Rodriguez

Call to Worship

Leader: Generous God, you gave us life;  
now we give our lives back to you.

**All: We present ourselves:  
our work and play,  
our joys and sorrows,  
our thoughts and deeds,  
our gifts and resources,  
to be used by you  
for the sake of all people everywhere  
through Jesus Christ, our Lord.**

Opening Prayer

## PRAISING HYMNS

Music for Meditation

Pam Eiten

Prayer of Confession  
Words of Assurance

Children's Story

Hillary Watson

## SCRIPTURE READING

Genesis 1: 31-2: 4 (p. ); Psalm 24: 1 (p. )

Ruth Quiroa

Leader: Hear the Word of the Lord.

**People: Our ears are open.**

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Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

Don Rheinheimer

“Stewards like Owners”

Hymn of Response

## OFFERING

Pam Eiten, Offertory

Sharing Joys and Concerns

Leader: Lord, in your mercy/goodness,

**People: hear our prayer.**

Announcements

Sending Hymn

Benediction

## This Week's Activities

<b>Today</b>	Nursery: Jill & Ioannis B. Tsekouras	10:00 AM
	Caroline Steelberg, Evan Richards	11:15 AM
	Adult Classes	11:30 AM
	• <i>Talking Across the Political Divide in America</i> (Sanctuary)	
	• <i>Mennonite Understanding of the Christian Faith</i> (Conference Room)	
	“Music for Water” Benefit Concert	2:00 PM
	PADS	5:00 PM
<b>Tue</b>	Lunch Bunch at Maxfields	12:00 PM
<b>Wed</b>	WOW Bible Study	9:30 AM
	Bible Study	7:00 PM

## Announcements

- Next Sunday, we will celebrate **Communion Sunday**. Let us each prayerfully prepare for this time and consider whether we are being called to reconciliation in a relationship where there has been brokenness (Matthew 5:23-24).
- Join us today at 2 PM for “**Music for Water**,” a benefit concert to raise money for Basic Dignities. Basic Dignities is working to install a solar powered pumping and filtration system, and provide hygiene training, to a fishing village in Uganda. All contributions are tax-deductible.
- We’re invited to the **York Center Neighborhood Block Party** this Saturday, Sept 30, from 12-4 PM at Villa Roosevelt Park. There’ll be food, bounce houses, games, and more. See the flyer on the bulletin board for more info.
- Thank you to all who participated in any way to create 100 MCC school kits for children in refugee camps, and transport them to MCC in Goshen. This is a very easy and inexpensive way to bring hope to children around the world. It reminds both them and us that they are not forgotten.—Jan
- We have a supply of the "**Welcome Your Neighbor**" signs, in case yours has gone missing from your yard. The suggested donation to cover costs is \$10. Any money collected that exceeds costs will be given to a local refugee organization. Signs are on the table at the bottom of stairs
- The **Chicago Pilgrim Walk** is a pilgrimage to holy sites in Chicago: sites made holy by their participation in the Passion of Christ (via death by gun); sites made holy by the people working to transform this violence into peace. On October 13-15, a group will walk in the neighborhoods most affected by gun deaths to show our care and concern for those who are suffering, to support people in the community working for positive change, and to better understand our role and responsibility in confronting the systemic racism that plagues Chicago and directly contributes to gun violence. For more information on how to participate or donate, see the flyer on the bulletin board downstairs.
- **Attention volleyball enthusiasts!** The first annual Volley at Camp Tournament will be on Saturday, October 21, at Menno Haven. See the flyer on the bulletin board for details.
- **Last Sunday’s** attendance was 142; the offering was \$5,878. We need to average weekly giving of \$10,473 to meet our 2017 mission goals.