

Serene tenacity is the quality of yielded fortitude, of surrendered steadfastness that stays the course, commits the soul, and relinquishes the self to what is truly good, what is ultimately prized, what is the will of God. (Augsburger, *Dissident Discipleship*, 57)

GATHERING IN GOD'S PRESENCE AS CHRIST-CENTERED COMMUNITY

Early Singing

Trading my sorrows
Mighty to save
How great is our God

Welcome and Invocation

Gathering Songs

Not be shaken
Knowing you, Jesus

Pastoral Prayer

Offering Ourselves

Confession

HEARING GOD

Receiving from God

Community Song

Here among our sisters and our brothers

Children's Story

Scripture Reading

Joshua 1:7-9
Matthew 26:36-46
John 16:33
1 Peter 5:6-11

Message

Abiding in the grace-filled tension of Gelassenheit
-Sally Schreiner Youngquist

Response Song

Rest in You

SHARING COMMUNITY LIFE

Sharing in Response

Benediction

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*“As a living body of Jesus Christ,
our vision at North Suburban
is to be a Christ-centered community,
embodying Christ-like compassion,
living with Christ-led courage.”*

OUR VALUES:

- A Christianity that loves God with **Heart** (emotions, passion), **Soul** (consciousness and eternal perspective), **Mind** (intellectual development and rigor) and **Strength** (action and service).
- Well planned and creative worship.
- The nurture of children and all ages toward their personal expression of Christian faith.
- A congregation that embraces the prodigal and guides their return to God’s family.
- Leadership development and mentoring.
- Encouragement of individual and corporate witness for the peace of Christ and the justice of God’s kingdom, both now and in the world to come.
- Innovation and inventiveness.
- A congregational size to make disciples, make friends and build community.
- Connection to the life and witness of Mennonite Church USA.

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“I see Lent as a time, not merely for being contrite and repentant in light of the coming of Easter, but perhaps more importantly a time of preparing ourselves to be more open to God, more open to the presence of Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit in our lives. And this is not merely to last for Lent—but to give us a time for intentional focus to foster an ongoing openness to God following Lent and throughout the year.

In this series, the longer title might be: Opening ourselves to the presence of God—Exploring our Anabaptist spirituality. I would like us to explore the characteristics of our spirituality as Anabaptists in order to shape our spirituality in such a way that it is not shaped by our own formulations but is formed by the Spirit of Christ Jesus in us as we give ourselves to follow after Christ as his disciples.”
- Roland

Sunday, March 7, 2010
Third Sunday of Lent