

Benton Mennonite Church

April 12 2009

Worship Leader: Jill H Kaufman

Song Leader: Barb Meyer-Reed

Scripture Reader: Helene Hoover

Offertory: Bruce Nofziger and Matthew Rody

Speaker: Doug Kaufman

Stewards: Senior Youth

Children's Focus: Brenda Meyer

Call to worship

One: Jesus' followers were amazed!

All: They couldn't believe what had happened.

One: Their friend and teacher had been dead.

All: But now he was alive!

One: It was impossible.

All: But it was true.

One: God surprises us in many ways.

All: God surprises us in the beauty of creation.

One: God surprises us by loving us when we don't deserve it.

All: God surprises us by forgiving us when we find it hard to forgive ourselves.

One: God surprises us in big ways and little ways.

All: God surprises us every day

One: With God...

All: ...the impossible is true.

Opening prayer (based on Psalm 118:1-2 and 14-24)

HWB 280 *Christ the Lord has risen*

SJ 61 *How can we be silent*

Scripture Acts 10:34-43

Children's time

Offering

MH 614 *This joyful Easter tide*

HWB 266 *They crucified my Savior*

Scripture John 20:1-18 (with Alleluia response)

Dance Redeemer by Nicole C. Mullen

Scripture 1 Corinthians 15:1-11 (with Alleluia response)

Sermon *Christ appeared also to me*

Song of response

HWB 270 *Who are these*

Sharing and prayer

Affirming faith

Sending song

MH 613 *The Lord has risen indeed*

Benediction

HWB = Hymnal Worship Book (Blue) MH = Mennonite Hymnal (Red)
BF = Blue Folder STJ = Sing the Journey (Green)

Today

✠ Thank you to the many musicians of all ages who participated in worship.

✠ 7:08, Sunrise service at Meyer-Reeds

✠ 8:30 am, Breakfast

✠ No Sunday School

✠ No fellowship meal

Next Sunday

✠ Brenda will preach on "My Lord and my God!," based on Acts 4:32-35, Psalm 133, 1 John 1:1-2:2, and John 20:19-31.

✠ Noon - Fellowship meal

Worship Team for April 19

Worship Leader – Dave Miller

Children's Focus – Donna Risser

Song Leader – Lyn Buschert

AV Technician – Bruce Nofziger

Stewards – Senior Youth

Greeters – Esther Kauffman and

Ruth Schlabach

Announcements and other bulletin information can be sent to bulletin@bentonchurch.org or left in the bottom left drawer of the desk in the secretary's office. All information is due by 7:00pm on Thursday.

Attendance for Sunday, April 5 2009

Total: 81; Visitors: 7

Please remember in prayer...

- ✝ The people of Tiquisio in northern Colombia. A powerful family is claiming the lands of dozens of residents, and a new airstrip is under construction nearby with no explanation, adding to the community's anxieties.
- ✝ The health and safety of Bethel College spring sports athletes and coaches (cross-country, golf, tennis, and track) who must travel for many of their meets.
- ✝ International ministries staff of Mission Network as they listen carefully to God's direction for new ministries and new ways of operating, seeking to be more faithful in our rapidly changing world.
- ✝ The Lamorlaye Mennonite Church near Paris. Pray that they will obtain permission to build their proposed new church building. Though the congregation is small, pray they will have a significant witness in the community.

God calls us into a community of faith
forms us into disciples
sends us into the world.

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