Assembly Mennonite Church

February 3, 2019

Stewardship of Attention: Contemplation & Action

***Gathering and Praising***

HWB 5 There is a place of quiet rest

*A Winter Blessing* by Joyce Rupp

SS 39 Will you come and follow me

SS 116 I saw a tree by the riverside

Welcome

Peace Candle

L: As Mary affirms in Jesus when she anoints him for his

death, and as Jesus then reaffirms in Mary: Only one

thing is necessary.

**P: to love the light within ourselves, to love the light**

**within the other.**

***Confessing and Offering***

*Litany of confession*

Our lives are cluttered, Lord Jesus,

By too many things

And too much to do.

We are driven by the need to succeed

And distracted by our service.

We have often lost our way.

Forgive us.

Let us, like Mary,

Find the one thing that is needed

And sit at your feet, Amen.

*Offering*

SJ 78 Sizohamba naye

Offering Prayer

***Hearing the Word***

SJ 17 Halle, halle, hallelujah!

Children’s Time

Scripture 2 Corinthians 3 1-6, 17-18 & Philippians 4:8

Sermon *The Veil Lifted*

***Responding***

Time of Silence

SS 49 I will come to you in the silence

Sharing and Prayer

***Sending***

Introduction of visitors

Announcements

SS 16 Peace before us

Benediction

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**Worship Participants:** Small group Maple

Song Leader: Rebecca Dengler Kaufman

Worship Leader: Cheryl Shreiner

Peace Candle: Hannah Friesen

Children’s Time: Rose Stutzman

Scripture Reader: Emma Caskey, Cora Shreiner Landes, & Xudong Sun

Sermon: Gwen Gustafson-Zook

Pastoral Prayer: Lora Nafziger

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**2nd Hour** We invite you to join us in the second hour for further discussion on action and contemplation led by Anna Yoder Schlabach in the main Worship Space. An adult baptism class led by Karl Shelly will meet in Room 14 for any adult (post high school) who wants to explore getting baptized, or just wonders what baptism is all about.