



a community of misfits on a mission finding identity in Jesus



# TO BE A NEW PEOPLE, ROOTED IN CHRIST WHO PASSIONATELY LOVE GOD AND PURPOSEFULLY SEEK THE RENEWAL OF OUR CITY

## SUNDAYS COFFEE HOUR: 9:30 - WORSHIP: 10:00

SAINT PAUL NEIGHBORHOOD NETWORK (SPNN) 550 VANDALIA ST. #170 SAINT PAUL, MN 55114

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## **ORDER OF SERVICE**

### **GATHER:**

- DIGITAL HOUSEKEEPING Pastor Osheta
- CANDLE-LIGHTING Everyone
- BREATH PRAYER Pastor Osheta
- MISFIT CALL TO WORSHIP Pastor Osheta
- GIVING & DOXOLOGY Pastor Osheta & Everyone

### WORD:

- MUSICAL WORSHIP Shanita John
   "Sing Sing Sing" & "Your Love O Lord"
- CHILDREN'S BLESSING Everyone
- SERMON Pastor T. C.
- RESPONSE SONG Shanita John
   "King of Kings"

### TABLE:

• INVITATION TO THE TABLE - Pastor T. C.

HOLY COMMUNION - Pastors T. C. & Osheta

### **SEND:**

- ANNOUNCEMENTS Pastors T. C. & Osheta
- MUSICAL BENEDICTION Everyone

### COMMUNION

At Roots we practice an Open Table, meaning if you are a follower of Jesus or want to draw closer to God, you are welcome to participate. Pastors will serve each table the elements, then you are invited to serve one another. Then we partake of the elements together.

## DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Them (Him), all creatures here below; Praise Them (Him) above, ye heav'nly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

### **CHILDREN'S BLESSING**

May the Lord bless you and keep you. May the Lord make Their (His) face to shine upon you. And be gracious, gracious, gracious to you. May the Lord lift up Their (His) countenance upon you. And give you, give you, give you peace.

### **DIGITAL CONNECT CARD**

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https://rootsmc.org/connect

If it's your first time visiting or you're new to Roots—or even if you've been a part of the community for some time—one of the best ways to reach out is through our digital connect card. With it you can request a meet-up with a pastor, find out ways to serve, sign up for the Weekly (an email newsletter that is sent out weekly), and more.







https://rootsmc.org/giving

Many people have had negative experiences connected with giving to churches. Some have felt pressured and others shamed. Some churches teach that giving is like a law one must obey while others teach that giving is like an investment strategy. At Roots, we only want people to give for two reasons:

- 1. Because you want to help support Roots' ministry and community;
- 2. As an act of worship because God has blessed you.

If you believe in our mission and our calling, please prayerfully consider giving. 100% of our funding comes from the generosity of people who believe in our ministry. We're forging a spiritual family that—like the early followers of Jesus—considers everything we have available for God's use to meet the needs of others (cf. Acts 2.42–47). Thanking God for provision in our lives, we pray that those who give would be shaped by their generous sacrifice, and that God would bless and multiply the gifts that are given in such a way that we would see God's Kingdom become a reality on earth as it is in heaven.

How to Use the Moravian Giving Portal (PDF)

### **WELCOME LITANY**

Welcome, fellow misfits!

We come from many backgrounds and many perspectives. We come into this space longing for acceptance.

Welcome to this place, inspired by a rag-tag collective of disciples whom Jesus called to follow him. Diverse people from fishermen to weaving women all found their home in him.

We come into this space authentically, knowing our lives matter and our diversity is our strength.

Welcome to this place for parables, traditions, conversations, and mysteries.

We come into this space seeking divine guidance. We're done being told our curiosity is too much and our questions are dangerous.

Welcome to this place of flipped-over tables, sacrificial love, and prophetic invitations.

We come into this space seeking justice. We know all is not right in the world and we resist oppression.

Welcome to this place where your name is first and always, "Beloved."

We come into this space open to the loving

heart of God. We are welcome, just as we are. We are loved, just as we are. And we are not alone!

So we honor this space we're creating together by praying:

Lord, help us to be a new people, rooted in Christ, who passionately love God, and purposefully seek the renewal of our city.

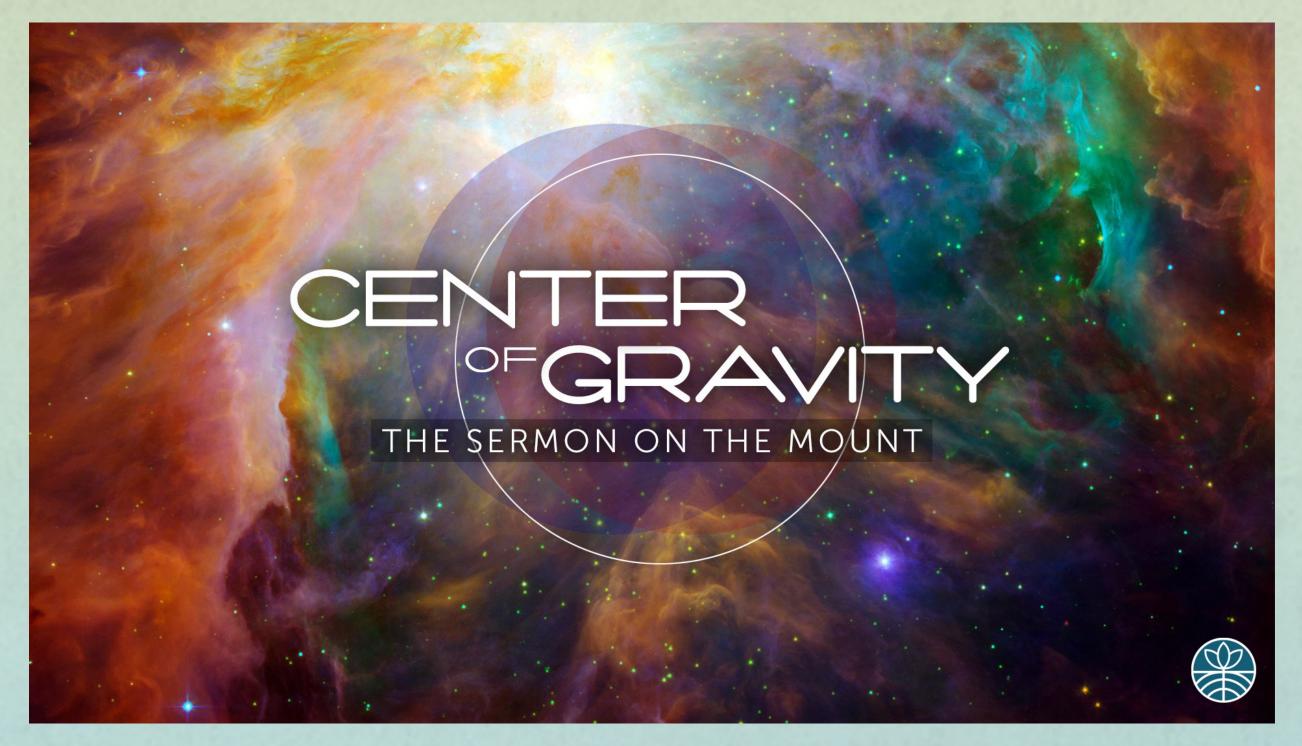
### **KIDS AT ROOTS**



We love kids. We love the way they move around, and we welcome the noise they make. Parents, grandparents, and caregivers: read through the program with them. Encourage them to shout out their answers when questions are thrown out. Help them participate in the Eucharist. Kids help us to see and know God, so let's be grateful for the joyful noise they make.

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#### SERMON SERIES



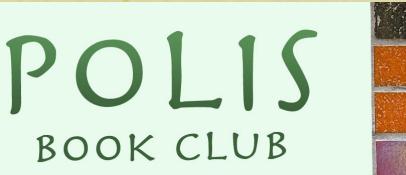
For Moravians, and other historic Peace Churches like Anabaptists, the bullseye of Christian teaching is the Sermon on the Mount. It's the Center of Gravity. The Holy Scriptures contain the revelation of God's redemptive history—the inspired story of God's covenant with God's people. That's the outer circle of the bullseye.

That story climaxes in the story of Jesus in the four Gospels in the New Testament. Those are the two next inner circles. Then, the central theme of the Gospels is God's in-breaking Kin(g)dom that is arriving and has now arrived in and through Jesus the Messiah. The core of that message is the Sermon on the Mount. The Sermon on the Mount is the summary of Jesus's core teachings about the Kin(g)dom of God that he declared and demonstrated as he traveled around first-century Judea-Palestine. If we think of Jesus's ministry as a messianic campaign, calling disciples to join him in his redemptive mission, then the Sermon on the Mount was his "stump speech."

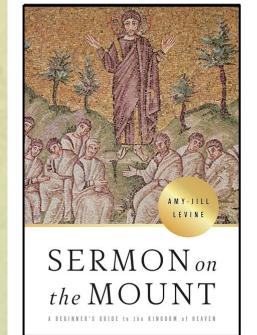
Not only is the Sermon on the Mount the "center of gravity" for Christians because of the centrality of its message to Jesus's life and ministry. It's also the "center of gravity" because it prevents us from the imbalances of either Legalism on the one side or Cheap Grace on the other. The Sermon on the Mount invites Jesus's disciples into a vision of the Kin(g)dom that expresses God's love through works of faith in the power of the Spirit.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS









#### Sermon on the Mount Amy-Jill Levine

**Oct 30th @7PM** In-person & Zoom

**Finish the Book!** 

Email Pastor T. C. for more details: TC@RootsMC.org



# **INCLUSION ISN'T SCARY**

ROOTS MORAVIAN CHURCH

#### **COSTUME GIVEAWAY**

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20 NOON-2PM



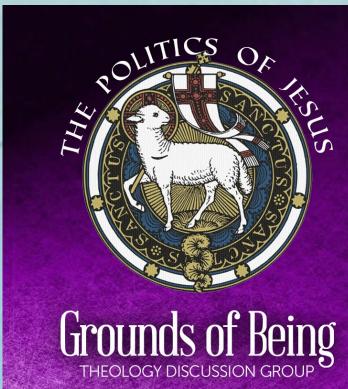
#### Fellowship Sunday Oct. 27th

#### @SPNN: 10-11:30am

Reflection on the saints who have shaped our lives and faith, honoring their legacies

Bring a baked good from your family's recipe book (or treasured recipe), if you have one





Sundays 10AM

**SK Coffee** 

### WHAT DOES JESUS HAVE TO DO WITH DEMOCRACY?

This election season, join together with other curious minds to explore the relationship between the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus's "stump speech," and the Common Good in the 21st-century United States

What does it mean to love our neighbors?

SEPT1ST OCT6TH NOV3RD



### **Need to Process This Political Season?**

Are you craving a space to process the political messaging we're receiving right now with other Jesus-disciples? Join us for a special series of discussions at "Grounds of Being," as we use Jesus's "stump speech" (the Sermon on the Mount) as the basis for how we think about the Common Good in 21st-century America. We'll gather at **SK Coffee** (550 Vandalia St.) at **10am**.

### **PEACE OF GOD LYRICS**

#### [Verse 1]

Let the peace of God guard your heart Let the peace of God guard your heart The peace of God, the peace of God Let the peace of God guard your heart

#### [Verse 2] Let the hope of God lift your head Let the hope of God lift your head The hope of God, the hope of God Let the hope of God lift your head

#### [Verse 3]

#### [Bridge]

Oh let us be among the ones Who give ourselves away, **Just as the One Who gives Himself for all Oh let us see where your Spirit's** At work within the world And join in, like light that heeds the call To shine, to shine Where the flames are dim To shine, to shine Where the veils are thin To shine, to shine With the love that wins Make us beacons in our day

#### [Verse 4]

Let the dreams of God live in us Let the dreams of God live in us Let the dreams of God the dreams of God Let the dreams of God live in us

Let the love of God send you out Let the love of God send you out The love of God, the love of God Let the love of God send you out

Let the peace of God guard our hearts Let the hope of God lift our heads Let the love of God send us out

### **NOTE TO GUESTS**

Roots is a worshipping community that has gathered in the Hamline-Midway, Frogtown, and historic Rondo neighborhoods of St. Paul since 2014. When we think about "church," we're not thinking about a building. Rather, we're thinkingaboutapeople, ashalom-seekingcommunity, learning how to trust the Holy Spirit, and experiencing new life in Jesus.

### **COVID-19 UPDATE**

As we continue to exercise caution out of respect for those who are more vulnerable, masking indoors is recommended (but not required), especially during singing. If you have a temperature of 100° or higher, please remain home and let one of the pastors know so that we can make online streaming accommodations for you.

### **LEADERSHIP**

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#### Map by MARLENA MYLES <u>@mylesdesigns</u>

We would be remiss not to acknowledge the host people on whose land we live. This land that we call Minnesota is the homeland of the Dakota people. The Dakota have lived here for many thousands of years and are still here! We thank them and their relatives for their care of the land, and we recognize their continuing connection to the land, waters and community. We pay our respects to them and their cultures; and to elders both past and present.

We also want acknowledge and lament the many legacies of violence, dis-placement, migration, and settlement that have happened here. The legacy of the Doctrine of Discovery and the horrors of Colonialism have caused untold destruction. We mourn the great loss that such evil has wrought on the Indigenous people of this land and we commit to seeking restoration and reparation.

May the Creator, the Great Spirit, from whom every family in heaven and on earth derives its name, give us the strength and wisdom to walk in harmony with one another, through Christ our Lord. Amen.