

Mennonites Accepting Song Submissions for New Hymnal

Submissions open until December 31, 2017

HARRISONBURG, VIRGINIA, UNITED STATES, December 28, 2016 /EINPresswire.com/ -- The Mennonite Worship and Song Committee is accepting content submissions for a new hymnal collection releasing in 2020. This collection will represent the diverse ways Mennonites sing and worship throughout the United States and Canada.

An important element of the project is a call for new and original content. Authors, songwriters, composers, and artists are invited to submit their work online at <http://mennoniteworshipandsongcollection.org>. This online submissions portal will be active throughout 2017.

"We welcome submissions from folks who generate music and worship resources for traditional to contemporary worship settings as we strive to reach the breadth of the church. We have committed ourselves to honoring diverse voices in worship, and are energized by reflecting and expanding the ways that Mennonites give expression to a shared faith in God," said Project Director Bradley Kauffman.

The committee hopes the portal will draw a diversity of material that creatively serves a broad spectrum of worshipers. The committee welcomes content that is well-suited to congregational use, in a variety of languages, reflective of Christian theology and practice generally, and specifically Anabaptist theology and practice. Additional parameters are delineated in the portal.. Artists are invited to submit visual elements as the committee considers the ways various media enhance worship.

"We anticipate receiving thousands of submissions—songs, hymn texts, tunes, worship resources, orders of worship, ritual elements, and visual images—for our committee to review" Kauffman added.

The new worship and song collection will be available in bound and digital formats, along with an accompaniment volume. It will be published by Herald Press, the book imprint of MennoMedia as the denominational publisher for Mennonite Church USA and Mennonite Church Canada.

For more information about the Mennonite Worship and Song Collection project or to schedule

an interview with Bradley Kauffman, project director, contact LeAnn Hamby at (540) 908-3941 or email LeAnnH@mennomedia.org.

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