

Mennonite Weekly Review Report
October/November 2007

Rochester Mennonite Church
Rochester, MN

The third annual Interfaith Walk for Peace and Understanding was held from 4:00-8:30 p.m. Oct. 7. The theme, "Mercy and Forgiveness," was addressed at each house of worship. A pot-luck meal was enjoyed at the conclusion of the Walk. Participants included Baha'is, Buddhists, Jews, Muslims, and Roman Catholic, Greek Orthodox and Protestant Christians. Planning committee members were each given the recently published book: FORGIVENESS by John L. Ruth.

Pastor David Brunner was honored by the congregation on the denomination's Pastor Appreciation Sunday, October 14. A Congregation/Pastor Evaluation was completed Oct. 21 with good participation. On Oct. 28 we observed Mennonite Heritage Sunday.

On Nov. 4 seventeen Rochester Mennonite Fellowship members began rehearsals for a "Christmas Celebration" concert at Oak Center, a performance venue of member Steven Schwen.

"Thanksgiving" was the theme of our worship on November 18. Congregational testimonies of thanks and guest pianist, Beth Haaland, were gifts to us all. Pastor David and Lois Kennel sang at the 4:00 Thanksgiving Vesper Service at Charter House on Nov. 21.

--Lois Ruth Kennel