

## ANNOUNCEMENTS *and* BIRTHDAYS

**BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK:** Rebecca Bare (MON), Tom Sutter (WED), Clark Breeze (FRI), David Schrag (SAT)

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**Fridays, Noon @ YMCA – Spring 2016 Friday Forum lecture series, “Breaking Down Racism, Fighting Racial Injustice in the U.S.”** The series builds on the Fall 2015 series. FMC is a sponsor of the series.

**LENT** 

*A season of spiritual preparation*

This Wednesday, February 10  
First Mennonite Church  
*Ash Wednesday Taizé Service*  
6:30 PM

**This Monday, February 8 at 7 pm – Energy Equity and the Environment (A Problem for Engineers or People of Faith?),** with Prof. Angus Rockett (Materials Science & Engineering). St. Andrew's Lutheran Campus Center, located at 909 S. Wright (across from the campus Y). Free and open to the public.

**Mike Genau sends greetings from Georgia, where he recently joined Jubilee Partners, a Christian service community working with refugees.** Mike's letter is posted on the bulletin board. He welcomes

written letters and emails. Contact him at: Mike Genau  
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DATE**

### Illinois Mennonite Relief Sale

March 18, 2016 - 5:00pm, March 19, 2016 (All day)  
Interstate Center, Bloomington, IL

### Women's retreat at Menno Haven *(brochures in rack by mailboxes)*

Theme: Spark – Igniting your God-given Creativity  
April 22-23

### Retirement Celebration for Pastor Janet @ Faith United Methodist Church

Saturday, June 18 (in the afternoon – details coming soon)

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## Celebration of Worship

*Theme: Blessing for all peoples*

February 7, 2016

### GATHERING

**\*Passing the peace**

**Prelude**

**Lighting of solidarity lamp** - *The lamp symbolizes our Sister Church relationship with El Divino Redentor.*

**\*Hymnal #6**

“Here in this place”

**Welcome & prayer**

**Call to worship** (#142 in green songbook)

### PROCLAIMING

**\*Hymnal #338**

“I know not why God's wondrous grace”

**\*Hymnal #341**

“Jesus loves me” (all languages listed)

**Children's story and offering** (*please pass the welcome pads*)

**Scripture reading**

Genesis 16:15-16; 17:15-22; 25:12-18 (*page 12*)

**Sermon**

*God has more than one blessing*

### RESPONDING

**\*Green songbook #44**

“The love of God”

**Offering** (*prayer cards collected*)

**Offertory**

**Sharing and prayers of the people** (*congregational response: Lord, hear our prayer*)

## SENDING

**Introductions and work of the church** *(please come to the front if you have an announcement)*

\***Hymnal #435**

“May the Lord, mighty God”

\***Benediction**

*\*Stand if you are able*

## Welcome, Guests

It is a joy to welcome you into our midst! We pray that God meets you as we worship together this morning and that our church family helps you feel at home. Join us down-stairs for refreshments after the service so that we can get to know you better.

**Hearing assisted devices are available from the greeters.** T-coil enabled and standard over-ear devices are available.

**Childcare for children birth through preschool is available downstairs during worship and the education hour.**

**Our current children’s offering benefits the Developmental Services Center,** which provides services and support to enable individuals with disabilities to live, work, learn, and participate in their communities.

## Join us after the service for...

### FELLOWSHIP HOUR – 10:45

You are welcome to stay for refreshments and conversation downstairs after the service. A snack is available for children.

### CLASSES FOR ALL AGES – 11:15 AM

*All are welcome to attend any Sunday.*

#### Quarterly Adult Classes (December-February)

**The New Jim Crow** – sanctuary

**The Art of Spiritual Grandparenting** – library

#### Ongoing Adult Discussion Groups (year-round)

**Coffee and Conversation** – Room 5 (downstairs)

**Knit and Nurture** – Nursery (downstairs)

**Young Adults** – Room 13 (downstairs)

#### Children & Youth Classes (downstairs)

**Pre-K** (ages 2-6 yrs) – Room 6    **Junior High** – Room 3

**Grade K-5** – Room 10/11    **High School** - Room 7

*(Nursery care is available for children birth through preschool)*

## THIS WEEK at FMC

For a full listing of events, visit our website at [www.fmc-cu.org](http://www.fmc-cu.org)

- SUN** 9:15 AM Worship  
 10:45 AM Fellowship Time & FMC book sale  
 11:15 AM Sunday school for all ages  
 12:00 PM Hospitality & Fellowship Committee  
 4:00 PM MYF @ Biddles  
 4:00 PM Racial Taboo study circle
- WED** 6:30 PM Ash Wednesday Taizé service, with FMC Council meeting after the service
- THU** 6:45 AM Men’s Bible study  
 9:30 AM Thursday morning Bible study
- SAT** CDC regional meeting in Markham, IL (all day)

## Thanks to our worship and welcome teams...

### WORSHIP TEAM

**Worship leader** – Peter Dyck

**Music** – Worship Band

**Children’s story** – Pastor Debra

**Scripture reader** – Liz Mallott

**Sermon, sharing & prayer** – Pastor Michael

**Sound system** – Randy Nelson

### WELCOME TEAM

**Greeters** – Megan Cox, Sheree Flannigan, Phil Martens

**Worship nursery** – Amber Anderson & Rhonda Gibson

**Refreshments** – Scott Bidner & Tammie Bouseman

**Stewards** – Chuck Gibson & Cynthia Nafziger

## Next Sunday at First Mennonite:

### WORSHIP TEAM

**Worship leader** – Sheryl Dyck

**Song leader** – Rudy Litwiller

**Piano** – Pastor Debra

**Children’s story** – Martha Moore

**Scripture readers** – TBD

**Scripture** - Deuteronomy 26:1-11; Luke 4:1-13

**Sermon, sharing & prayer** – Pastor Janet

**Sound system** – Randy Nelson

### WELCOME TEAM

**Greeters** – Rebecca Bare, Mary Krick, Phil Martens

**Worship nursery** – Liz Mallott & Karla Woodson

**Refreshments** – Bruce & Oleta Miller

**Stewards** – Chuck Gibson & Cynthia Nafziger

## UPCOMING

- SUN** 9:15 AM Worship
- 14** 10:45 AM Fellowship Time  
 11:15 AM Sunday school for all ages  
 4:00 PM FMC reserved for a private service  
 7:30 PM Young adult singing @ FMC
- TUE** *Pastor Janet has jury duty (Tue-Fri)*
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- THU** 6:45 AM Men’s Bible study
- 18** 9:30 AM Thursday morning Bible study  
 6:00 PM Christian Education Committee  
 7:00 PM Then Thousand Villages Board mtg.