

ANNOUNCEMENTS *and* BIRTHDAYS

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK: Sheryl Nisly-Nagele (TODAY), Ally Welty-Peachey (TUE),
Lynne Sancken (SAT)

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TODAY – A special offering will be taken to benefit the FMC adoption fund.

The Junior High and High School youth will pack relief and hygiene kits next Sunday.

Individuals, small groups, and families are welcome to provide the *complete contents* of one or more kits or monetary donations to purchase items for the kits. Lists of relief and hygiene kit supplies are on the donation table. Place supplies in the bins in the foyer by next Sunday, May 15.

Monday, May 16 at 7:30 pm – Wedding shower for Gina Reynolds & David Chen at the home of Debra & Tom Sutter (306 E Sherwin Circle, U). Bring a favorite recipe (cards are in the fellowship hall). If you want to bring a gift, Visa gift cards are a practical option to help them purchase household items after arriving in Germany this summer. Contact Pam Peña Martin if you want to be part of a group gift card.

Saturday, May 21, 2:30 pm at FMC - Brian Sauder's Ordination

You are invited to celebrate Brian's ordination on Saturday, May 21, 2016 at 2:30 pm. The guest preacher will be **The Rev. Dr. Otis T. Moss III** of Chicago. A reception follows at 4 pm. **Please Rsvp to the FMC office (office@fmc-cu.org) by May 15** (unless you have already Rsvp'd to Faith in Place), **so we can plan for the reception.** FMC is providing food for the reception. If you if you have a finger-food sweet or savory contribution to provide, please sign-up at our FMC website (www.fmc-cu.org).

CHOIR REHEARSALS - There will be a choir performing for Pastor Janet's retirement party on Saturday, June 18 and her final worship service on June 26. Rehearsals will be held May 22, June 5, and June 12, after church from 12:30-1:30 pm.

Next Sunday *at* First Mennonite

Worship leader – Rhonda Gibson

Song Leader – Rudy Litwiller

Piano – TBA

Children's story – Jill Schreiber

Scripture reader – Trish Combs

Sermon, Sharing & prayer – Pastor Michael

Sound system – Phil Martens

Visuals – Lynne Sancken

Greeters – Chuck Gibson, Cynthia Nafziger, George Ordal

Worship nursery – Beth Rempe & Karla Woodson

Refreshments – Cynthia & Emerson Nafziger

Stewards – Randy Nelson & Laurence Koehn

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FIRST MENNONITE CHURCH

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Celebration *of* Worship

May 8, 2016

Action and Contemplation

GATHERING

Prelude

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

***Call to worship** (*based on Hymn #145 "There's a wideness in God's mercy"*)

Leader: Come, people of God, and worship.

For here we find a wideness in God's mercy...

People: Mercy that is as wide as the sea.

Leader: Come, people of God, and worship.

For here we celebrate God's love...

People: Love that is neither narrow nor limited.

Leader: Come, people of God, and worship.

For here we seek the kindness of justice...

***Hymnal #372**

"O healing river"

Welcome & prayer

***Passing the peace**

PROCLAIMING

***Purple songbook #124**

"My soul cries out"

***Song** (*insert*)

"Grace like rain"

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

Scripture readings:

Psalms 40:11-17 (*page 503*)

Matthew 5:7 *Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.*

Sermon

Mercy

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

***Purple songbook #115**

"Beauty for brokenness"

Guided meditation

Offering (*prayer cards collected*)

Offertory

Sung response

"Lord of all good" (green songbook #60)

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*)

***Purple songbook #89**

"Christ is alive"

***Benediction**

**Stand if you are able*



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

Worship leader – Cindy Breeze

Music – Worship Band

Children's story – Randy Nelson

Scripture reader – David Horst Lehman

Sermon, Sharing & prayer – Pastor Janet

Sound system – Phil Martens

Visuals – Lynne Sancken

Greeters – Tom Anderson, Emerson Nafziger, George Ordal

Worship nursery – Abby Crosby & Reba King

Refreshments – Dannie Otto & Barb Shenk

Stewards – Randy Nelson & Laurence Koehn

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 children's offering will help MCC provide aid to Syrians and Iraqis in response to the humanitarian crisis in these conflict-torn countries.

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 (*March-May*)

Making a Scene in Corinth (a simulation) – sanctuary
Beyond Tolerance: Interfaith Hospitality, Dialogue, and Affection – 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

SUN	9:15 AM Worship 10:45 AM Fellowship Hour 11:15 AM Sunday school for all ages
TUE	6:30 PM Taizé service: Prayers for peace
THU	6:45 AM Men's Bible study 9:30 AM Thursday AM Bible study (Final spring study) <i>Pastors Debra & Janet away May 12-15</i>
FRI	<i>FMC reserved for recital (5-7 pm)</i>
SAT	<i>FMC reserved for recital (1-5 pm)</i>

UPCOMING

SUN	9:15 AM Worship (<i>Pentecost</i>)
15	10:45 AM Fellowship Hour 12:00 PM JYF meets for lunch & kit assembly 6:30 PM FMC reserved for recital (private event)
MON	7:00 PM FMC softball game@Dodds
16	7:30 PM Wedding shower for Gina & David at Sutters' home
WED	6:00 PM FMC Council
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THU	6:45 AM Men's Bible study
19	6:00 PM Christian Education Committee 7:00 PM Ten Thousand Villages board meeting
FRI	<i>FMC reserved for rehearsal (6-7:30 pm)</i>
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SAT	2:30 PM Ordination service for Brian Sauder
21	<i>(see announcement on back)</i>
SUN	12:00 PM Sanctuary upgrade discussion
22	12:00 PM MYF at FMC 2:00 PM FMC reserved for recital