

First Mennonite Church

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TODAY'S SERVICES

January 6, 2013

9:00 a.m. Sunday School - - - 10:00 a.m. Morning worship
6:30 p.m. Evening Service

Morning worship is broadcast at 10 a.m.

WPGW, Portland, 1440 AM, 100.9 FM - Scanner frequency 161.76

Jeff Linthicum - Senior Pastor

Jerry Flueckiger - Care & Adult Ministries Pastor

Darren Kloepper - Youth Pastor

Brent Hyman - Music & Worship Ministries

Chris Hyman & Hazel Lautzenheiser - Interim Children's Ministries Director

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WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP SERVICE

ORGANIST – Dr. Scott Lehman SONG LEADER – Brent Hyman

Prelude – (The congregation will be asked to join the mixed quartet in singing various epiphany hymns from the blue hymnal)

Welcome

Brent Hyman

New Year's Welcome (v.1 in English, v.1 in German, v. 2 in English – see the insert)

#289 [brown] *Adoration* (v. 1)

#280 [brown] *One Small Child*

#281 [brown] *What Child Is This?* (v. 3)

**Adore Him*

**Offering*

Offering

for MCC Meat Canner/Jeff Lehman

Offertory

What Star Is This?/arr. Curry

Chancel Choir and instrumentalists

Guests, please fill out the cards in the pew and drop in the offering plate.

Children age 3-Grade 4 may go to Children's Church.

Intercessory Prayer

Malcolm Stauffer

Responsive Liturgy to prepare ourselves for God's Word [see the screen]

Creation: *The Story* (from Genesis 1)

Message

First Words/Pastor Jerry Flueckiger

**Shine, Jesus, Shine*

Communion

*#218 [blue] *As With Gladness Men of Old* (vs. 1,4,5)

*Benediction

Pastor Jerry Flueckiger

If you would like someone to pray with you following the service, you may go to the chapel where someone is there to pray with you.

*Postlude

Toccata on *We Three Kings of Orient Are*/ Long

*We invite you to stand if you are able

TODAY AT FIRST MENNONITE

On the scanner and TV today is the Chapel class.

5:15 p.m.

Junior Quizzing

6:30 p.m.

Evening service – chapel. Pastor Jerry speaking

6:30 p.m.

Youth – Design your own youth room! Come at 6:30 for fun, music, snacks, & games!

ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

TUESDAY – January 8

6:30 p.m.

Sunshine Hour

7-9 p.m.

Prayer Room is open to anyone for a prayer meeting.

WEDNESDAY – January 9

5:00 p.m.

Adult Bell Choir

5:45 p.m.

Fellowship meal

6:10 p.m.

Children's Choirs

- 6:30 p.m.** *Truth Project* led by Dave Shuey – Rm. 14
- 6:30 p.m.** *Financial Peace University* led by Jennifer Wiley & Gina Brewster – Rm. 16
- 6:50 p.m.** Youth — Sacred Assembly in The Cellar at 6:50!
- 6:50 p.m.** Grades 1-5 – FLC - *Agape National Park*
- 7:00 p.m.** Age 2 & 3 Toddler nursery
- 7:00 p.m.** Age 4-K: room at the bottom of the ramp. Exploring God's People.
- 7:00 p.m.** Evening Service-chapel. *The Unseen Battle* – Pastor Jeff
- 7:00 p.m.** Christian Faith Forum -- Christian Caregiving led by Naomi Lehman & Marie Nussbaum – Rm. 17
- 7:00 p.m.** *Discipleship: The Growing Christian Lifestyle* led by Megan Linthicum & Jaci O'Dell – Rm. 15
- 7:00 p.m.** *Made to Crave* led by Dawn Stevens – Rm. 13
- 7:00 p.m.** Prayer Shawl Ministry
- 7:00 p.m.** Women's Ministries – Project Committee Room. Quilting is also available.
- 8:15 p.m.** Chancel Choir

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The offering today is for the MCC Meat Canner. Next Sunday it is for Mennonite Mission Network overseas.

Menu for Wednesday, Jan. 9: Pizza casserole, garlic bread, vegetable, salad, cupcakes & drinks.

On Tuesdays for the month of January, the Bible Basics Class will set up the tables for the Wednesday evening meals.

New flower calendar for 2013 has been placed on the bulletin board by the church office. You're invited to sign up for Sundays at your convenience.

The Children's Department is seeking some "new" toys for use in Sunday School and Children's Church areas. As you are cleaning out and making room for your new Christmas gifts, if you have age-appropriate items (that do not require batteries) that you would be willing to donate, please leave them in the box outside the children's department office.

Darren with the 5th Graders will be on **JANUARY 13!**

The Historical Committee wants to know the wedding anniversary of all regular attendees at our church, so they can be included in the decade showcase that particular year! Please inform the church office of this information so it can be a part of the church records!

Weigh and Pray continues to meet every Monday morning at 7 a.m. in the Prayer Room for accountability and encouragement on the weight loss journey....join us!!

"Agape National Park" is the theme for the winter quarter on Wednesday nights, grades 1-5. We will now be meeting in the Family Life Center. Kids may come to the FLC at 6:50. Following the fellowship meal, parents are responsible for their own children until 6:50 when the gym will be supervised. Choir kids will be taken directly to the gym after choir. Please pick up your children in the gym at 8pm (or when your class is finished).

The Cotton Patch Gospel will be presented in the Family Life Center on Jan. 27 at 6:30 p.m. This one-man musical has its origins in the vernacular translation of the gospel of Matthew set in Georgia. There is no admission charge, but 100% of the proceeds from the offering will go toward hunger relief (50% Compassionate Ministries, 25% MCC, and 25% Why Hunger).

Marriage Retreat: Our church will host a marriage retreat on the evening of Friday, February 22nd and during the day on Saturday, February 23rd. The retreat will feature Fort Wayne pastor and speaker, Dave DeSelm, who will offer an inspiring message about marriage through three sessions. Registration and location details to come soon!

Cancellation Policy - If South Adams Schools cancels classes because of inclement weather, we will cancel our evening services. If South Adams cancels classes due to fog or other non weather-related reasons, a decision will be made by 12:00 whether the fellowship meal and evening classes for all ages will be held that evening. The information will be posted at www.firstmennonite.org and a churchwide email will be sent out to those who have registered for that. Also, for church cancellation information, we will inform WZBD radio 92.7 FM and WBCL 90.3 FM. WBCL will read the announcement on the air and post it at their website, www.wbcl.org.

Family Night -- Join us for Ft. Wayne Komets hockey on Saturday, January 12. Tickets are \$11 apiece. We will leave the church at about 3:30 and will stop and eat on the way. Sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board in the main foyer. Tickets need to be paid to Clint Stumph by January 10, before tickets are picked up. Questions, call Clint Stumph at 849-2874 or Dave Shuey at 589-8815.

Perspectives Class will be held this year at Pleasant Dale Church of the Brethren, rural Decatur on Monday evenings. The classes will begin on January 7th at 6-9 p.m., and will continue thru April 15th. We invite you to attend the first class session to get a taste of what will be presented. The class *The Story of His Glory* will be presented by Luke Kuepfer, currently pursuing a Masters Degree at Asbury College in Kentucky.

Mark your calendars: On January 25 and 26 the MCC mobile Meat Canner will be here in Berne. We need everyone working together to help with this project. How can you help: volunteer, give an hour or two of your time to help process the 26,000 pounds of turkey, give financially (cost to buy and process the turkey is \$62,500), and most importantly, pray for those who travel with the canner, those who volunteer, and the committee that organizes the event. Hope to see you there.

The prayers & best wishes of the congregation are extended to Jamie Cressman and Marcia Von Gunten, who will be married here next Saturday, January 12, at 3:30 p.m. The congregation is invited to the ceremony.

Congratulations and best wishes of the congregation are extended to Fred & Mary Jane Whitehurst, who will celebrate their 55th wedding anniversary on Jan. 11.

The sympathy of the congregation is extended to the family of Polly Neuenschwander, who died on December 28.

UPCOMING YOUTH EVENTS

Winter Jam: January 20 (\$10 plus one fast food meal)—leaving mid-afternoon; return could be as late as 11:30 (note this is a school night)

Junior High Winter Retreat: Camp Friedenswald, January 25-27 (cost \$80)

Pokagon State Park Toboggan Run (Jr. High students), Feb. 8-9 (cost \$25, plus two fast food meals)