

First Mennonite Church

566 West Main Street, Berne, Indiana 46711
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TODAY'S SERVICES

January 13, 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 *He Leadeth Me/Callahan*

Welcome Brent Hyman

Announcements: MCC thank you – Jim Eicher
Cotton Patch Gospel – Brent Hyman

#521 [blue] *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

2 Cor. 12:19

Your Grace Is Enough

#343 [brown] *Amazing Grace* (vs. 1,2,4,5)

Offering for Mennonite Mission Network Overseas Tom Fox

Offertory *Redeemed/Cowart/Weaver*

Praise Band

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.

5th graders will meet with Pastor Darren in The Cellar (the old youth room) for Children's Church.

Scripture: Genesis 25:19-34 Gwen Habegger

Message *A Struggle/Pastor Jeff Linthicum*

*#638 [brown] *I Need Thee Every Hour*

Prayer and Share Jane Mosser

#575 [brown] *Leaning on the Everlasting Arms* (vs. 1,3)

*Benediction Pastor Jeff Linthicum

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 *In Thee Is Gladness/Bach*

*We invite you to stand if you are able

TODAY AT FIRST MENNONITE

On the scanner and TV today is the Chapel class.

The flower arrangement in the front of the church is in celebration of Jamie and Marcia Cressman as they begin their new life together as husband and wife. The candle arrangement on the organ is in loving memory of Karen and Dean who will forever live in their hearts.

1:30 p.m. Junior Quiz meet today at Evangelical church. Come support our 3 teams of 20 quizzers.

6:30 p.m. Evening service – chapel. Pastor Jerry speaking

Youth – Small groups should be meeting! Check with your leaders!

ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

TUESDAY – January 15

6:30 p.m. Sunshine Hour

7-9 p.m. Prayer Room is open to anyone for a prayer meeting.

WEDNESDAY – January 16

- 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 — Introduction of the new series "In the Red"
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 Mennonite Mission Network Overseas. Next Sunday it is for Mennonite Mission Network Home.

Menu for Wednesday, Jan. 16: Chili soup, hot dogs, applesauce, cake & drinks.

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

Housing is needed for two of the men working on the canner. They will be arriving here on Thursday, January 24, and leaving on Monday, January 28. They will have their own transportation while here. If you can help out, please contact Jeff or Sondra Lehman at 589-8173 or 589-2451.

Past and Present Elementary Sunday School teachers - We are looking for pictures and/or letters from a Compassion child named Buser from Ethiopia that the children's department has sponsored for many years. If you have any information, please contact Chris or Hazel.

In Support of Sanctity of Human Life, during the month of January our church is holding a baby shower for the Hope Clinic. Donations may be dropped off in the tote located on the table in the foyer. Please donate diapers (especially sizes 3, 4, or 5), diaper wipes, or any new baby items or new baby clothes. Your support is greatly appreciated!

Missing Dishes? Dishes, silverware, Tupperware from funerals etc., are on a table in the patio for you to pick up. Please look and see if your missing item is one of these.

The Historical Committee wants to know the wedding anniversary of all regular attenders 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!

Recycle for Youth: Remember that every third Saturday of the month there is a trailer in our parking lot collecting aluminum. All aluminum is welcome. It does NOT have to be just pop cans. The trailer will be on the west side this coming Saturday, January 19! All money goes towards the youth general fund! Thank You!

Blessing Missionaries – Do you have a special place in your heart to care for missionaries or to help our congregation keep up to date with our missionaries? Witness Commission is looking for some people from our congregation who might have a desire to bless our missionaries while they are in the mission field. If you would like to know more about some exciting ideas on how to do this, please contact Kim Ringger (260-565-3675) from Witness Commission.

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!!

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!

You're invited to 2013 Celebrate MCC: Faith in Action on February 22-23 at East Goshen Mennonite Church (17861 S.R. 4, Goshen, IN 46528). Join fellow Mennonite Central Committee supporters from across the Great Lakes region as we worship, fellowship and learn together. A full schedule of events and registration is available online at greatlakes.mcc.org/annualgathering or call the MCC Great Lakes Office at 574-534-4133. We hope to see you there!

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.

Congratulations and best wishes of the congregation are extended to Fred & Janet Bixler, who will celebrate their 51st wedding anniversary on January 14.

The sympathy of the congregation is extended to Phil & Cindy Eicher in the death of her father, Andrew Robb Jr., who died on January 6.

UPCOMING YOUTH EVENTS

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

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)

Building Project Summary

	Pledges	Payments	
Combined	\$2,211,201	\$2,199,036	99.4%
Remaining Pledge Balance Outstanding		\$12,165.00	

UPDATE ON THE CHURCH'S FINANCES

As of the end of December, we have the following balances on hand:

Benevolence Treasury	\$ 10,724
Household Treasury	\$ 53,328

Actual spending compared to the approved plan for the Household Treasury is as follows:

	<u>YTD Actual</u>	<u>YTD Plan</u>
Disciple Commission	\$32,325	\$40,875
Witness Commission	1,068	3,200
Worship Commission	7,872	10,325
Care Commission	11,095	13,900
Personnel	381,004	399,883
General Administration	26,394	35,000
Church Property & Maintenance	<u>90,233</u>	<u>112,100</u>
Total Household Treasury	\$549,991	\$615,283