

First Mennonite Church

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TODAY'S SERVICES

April 21, 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 & Visitation Pastor

Darren Kloepper – Director of Christian Education

Josh Gaskill – 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 – Janet McKean SONG LEADER – Brent Hyman

Prelude *In Times Like These/Jones*
Come, Thou Almighty King/Giardini

Welcome Brent Hyman

Introit *Come to Me/Tucker*
Little Notes of Praise with Hannah Taing, Jaci Gorrell & Allison Sprunger

*#97 [brown] *Sing Praise to God* (vs. 1,3,4)

*Exodus 15:11

**You Are God Alone (not a god)*

*Psalm 86:10

**God Is Able*

Offering Prayer for Nursery School Greta Lehman

Offertory Nursery School Video
Guests, please fill out the cards in the pew and drop in the offering plate.

Special Music *God of Grace and God of Glory/Dobrinski*
Grace Notes with James Sommer
Children ages 3-Grade 4 are invited to Children's Church.

Scripture: 2 Kings 1:1-6 Dave Shuey

Message *Parting of the Ways/Pastor Jeff Linthicum*

*#592 [brown] *Jesus Calls Us*

**Give Us Clean Hands*

Prayer and Share Pastor Jerry Flueckiger

*April Memory Verse: 2 Samuel 22:2b-3a

*#552 [brown] *I Am Thine, O Lord* (vs. 1,2)

*Benediction Pastor Jeff Linthicum

Postlude *The Call to Commitment/Smith*
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.

*We invite you to stand if you are able

TODAY AT FIRST MENNONITE

On the scanner and TV today is the Chapel class.

The flowers this morning are in honor of Jim & Janet Dennison's 30th wedding anniversary.

6:30 p.m. Evening Service – chapel. Pastor Jeff will be speaking.

Youth please come deliver “cookies for community” at 5:30! We need everyone to join in if we want to meet our goal of 80 house visits!

ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

TUESDAY – April 23

6:30 p.m. Sunshine Hour
7:00 p.m. Mennonite Choral Society Rehearsal
7-9 p.m. Prayer Room is open to anyone for a prayer meeting.

WEDNESDAY – April 24

5:00 p.m. Adult Bell Choir
5:45 p.m. Fellowship meal
6:10 p.m. Children's Choirs
6:50 p.m. Youth - Talk Back open discussion night in The Cellar!
6:50 p.m. Grades 1-5 – FLC – *Agape National Park*
7:00 p.m. Age 4-K: room at the bottom of the ramp. *Exploring God's People*.
7:00 p.m. Age 2 & 3 Toddler nursery
7:00 p.m. Evening Service-chapel. David Wickey will give his testimony.
7:00 p.m. *Celebration of Discipline* – 10-week book study by Richard Foster led by Darin Ringger. Rm. 13
7:00 p.m. *Conversational Evangelism* – 9-week book study by Norman Geisler led by Michael Mosser. Rm. 17
7:00 p.m. *Overcoming Doubt* - 7-week book study by Neil Anderson - led by Megan Linthicum – Rm. 15
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 Nursery School. Next Sunday it is for the Household Treasury/Local Ministries.

Menu for Wednesday, April 24: Ham loaf, scalloped potatoes, green beans, jello & drinks.

On Tuesdays for the month of April, the Cornerstone Class will set up the tables for the Wednesday evening meals. Next month, Class 96 is in charge.

Anyone interested in baptism or church membership should contact the church office.

If you would like to have your child dedicated, please call the church office.

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. If they are not picked up, they will be taken to the garage sale at Das Marit in May.

A service opportunity is available right here at the church. As individuals, couples, or families, you could help to water the flowers outside the church this summer and fall. If you would be interested or have any questions, please call Linda McKean (589-2321) in the next two weeks.

VBS Volunteers - WE NEED YOU!!! June 5-12 at South Adams. We still need more than 150 people to make this a fun and safe event for the kids of this community - you don't want to miss it! Please turn your form in TODAY!! If you have personally been contacted, please fill out a form so we have your t-shirt size. Forms are located by the office or next to the "GOTTA MOVE" box on the table. You can also volunteer online at: www.tinyurl.com/communityvbshelpform

Ethiopia Family Night. -- Come join Loving Shepherd Ministries Free Open House Community Event, to be held at the Creative Arts Center (lower level) in Bluffton IN on April 26th, from 6:30 until 9:00. Activities include an Ethiopia Tasting Table, cultural kids' games, Marketplace and Q&A with a missionary. Step out of the "everyday" and experience a life-changing event for your entire family! If you have any questions, contact Lydia Fox at 849-0179.

Nominate someone you admire: Recognize people who model good stewardship by nominating them for a Journey Award, which includes \$500 for a regional awardee and \$5,000 for a national awardee. To learn more, type "Journey Award" into the search box at Everence.com. Deadline is April 30.

Nursery School Registration for the 2013-2014 school year will take place in the patio on Monday, April 29, from 6:30 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. Any child who is 3 or 4 years old by August 1 is eligible. The registration fee is \$40.00. Enrollment for morning and afternoon classes is on a first-come basis. For more information please contact Greta Eicher Lehman at 589-2588. Families who attend First Mennonite are given preference and should call before registration.

The Senior Fellowship Activity will enjoy a buffet breakfast at Norm's Preble Gardens and then go to Ft. Wayne for a Tin Caps baseball game on Wednesday, May 22. We will be leaving at 8 a.m. from the east parking lot. There will only be a few steps to negotiate at the ballpark. Cost will be \$20 per person, which includes ball game ticket, breakfast (including tax and gratuity) and bus expense. Make reservations by calling Rod Lehman's at 589-2936 no later than April 30, as we need an exact count for the ball game tickets. We will be returning home at approximately 3:30 p.m.

Congratulations and best wishes of the congregation are extended to Syd & Modjeska Hawkins, who are celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary today; also to Cliff & Betty Habegger, who will celebrate their 68th wedding anniversary on April 22.

The prayers and best wishes of the congregation are extended to Jon Stauffer and Jennifer Huggins, who were married on March 13 in Bloomington, Indiana.

The sympathy of the congregation is extended to the family of Don Moore, who died on April 11; also to the family of Maxine Lehman, who died on April 15.