

First Mennonite Church

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TODAY'S SERVICES

April 28, 2013

9:00 a.m. Sunday School - - - 10:00 a.m. Morning worship
7:00 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 – Dr. Scott Lehman SONG LEADER – Brent Hyman

Gathering

*All Who Are Thirsty
Holy Spirit, Rain Down*

Welcome

Brent Hyman

Unison Prayer (read in unison from the screen)

Video: *Water*

Psalm 18:16

Brent Hyman

*#508 [brown] *Love Lifted Me*

*Psalm 46:4; Revelation 22:1

**The River Is Here*

Children's Story

Jim Eicher

Children ages 3-K may leave for Children's Church following the story.

Mission Moment: Das Märit

Offering Prayer for Household Treasury/Local Ministries

Paul Norr

Offertory

*Lord, I Stretch My Hands to You/Althouse
Chancel Choir*

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

Scripture: 2 Kings 5:1-14

Renee Liechty

Video: *Jordan River*

Message

H2O/Pastor Jerry Flueckiger

*#495 [blue] *O Let All Who Thirst*

**I Lift My Hands*

Prayer and Share

Milly Fox

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

*#682 [brown] *Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah* (vs. 2,3)

*Benediction

Pastor Jerry Flueckiger

* Postlude

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah/Manz

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.

Today is Project Share. Please place your donations on the table in the foyer.

7:00 p.m. Evening Service – sanctuary. The South Adams A cappella will be in concert here this evening.

The South Adams A cappella Choir concert this Sunday evening will be pushed back to 7:00 p.m. to accommodate those who will be returning from the funeral.

Youth – Small groups are meeting this weekend. Check with your leaders!

ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

TUESDAY – April 30

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 – May 1

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. Pastor Jerry will be speaking on "I Am the Bread of Life."

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 Household Treasury/Local Ministries. Next Sunday it is for the Ohio Mennonite Conference.

Menu for Wed., May 1: Spaghetti, garlic bread, lettuce salad, ice cream & drinks.

On Tuesdays for the month of May, Class 96 will set up the tables for the Wednesday evening meals.

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

THANKS to all who baked cookies for the youth community project! Cookies were delivered to approximately 85 houses! Thanks again for making a difference!

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

Caring in Action – If you would like to encourage JoEllen and Ted Biberstine by helping with meals while JoEllen is going through radiation treatments, there is a sign-up online at www.takethemameal.com. To login, use last name: biberstine and password: joellen. We would like to provide meals two times a week from now through the end of May. Some specific guidance regarding their food needs and directions to their home are included on the web site.

BABY SHOWER - The Ringger family has a new member! Faida is a 2-year-old girl from Burkina Faso. Needed items: size 4 diapers, wipes, and Walmart gift cards. Because of the extensive traveling to Ohio and Fort Wayne, they could also use gas cards and McDonalds gift cards. There will be a table in HeBrews for your donations during the month of May. Please give gift cards directly to the Ringgers or leave them in the church office.

It's time to start planning for Summer Camp! Info is here for both Camp Luz and Friedenswald (see the bulletin board outside the Children's Ministry office). Again this year our church will pay part of the camp fee. You can sign up on either web site, www.friedenswald.org or www.camppluz.com The sign-up sheet for transportation is also on the bulletin board. Transportation cost is \$20.00 if paid by May 19. Late payment is \$25.00. If you have questions, please ask in the church office.

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 week.

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 Glen & Beverly Grandlinard, who will celebrate their 58th wedding anniversary on April 30.

The sympathy of the congregation is extended to Kent & Becky Lehman and family in the death of her father, Bob Litwiller, on April 18; also to Clara Keim, Dave & Kelly Keim & family in the death of Ray Keim on April 20.

Building Project Summary

	Pledges	Payments	
Combined	\$2,214,218	\$2,204,951	99.6%

Remaining Pledge Balance Outstanding \$9,268

BIBLE READINGS FOR THE MONTH OF MAY

- May 1: 1Chronicles 3-5
- May 2: 1Chronicles 6
- May 3: 1Chronicles 7-8
- May 4: 1Chronicles 9-11
- May 5: 1Chronicles 12-14
- May 6: 1Chronicles 15-17
- May 7: 1Chronicles 18-21
- May 8: 1Chronicles 22-24
- May 9: 1Chronicles 25-27
- May 10: 1/2Chronicles 28-1
- May 11: 2Chronicles 2-5
- May 12: 2Chronicles 6-8
- May 13: 2Chronicles 9-12
- May 14: 2Chronicles 13-17
- May 15: 2Chronicles 18-20
- May 16: 2Chronicles 21-24
- May 17: 2Chronicles 25-27
- May 18: 2Chronicles 28-31
- May 19: 2Chronicles 32-34
- May 20: 2Chronicles 35-36
- May 21: Ezra 1-3
- May 22: Ezra 4-7
- May 23: Ezra 8-10
- May 24: Nehemiah 1-3
- May 25: Nehemiah 4-6
- May 26: Nehemiah 7
- May 27: Nehemiah 8-9
- May 28: Nehemiah 10-11
- May 29: Nehemiah 12-13
- May 30: Esther 1-5
- May 31: Esther 6-10

