

First Mennonite Church

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TODAY'S SERVICES

August 27, 2017

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

Guest Wi-Fi password - fmcguest

Jeff Linthicum - Senior Pastor

Jerry Flueckiger - Care & Visitation Pastor

Bill Helmlinger - Youth Pastor

Brent Hyman - Music & Worship Ministries

WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP SERVICE

ORGANIST --- Dr. Scott Lehman ✧ WORSHIP LEADER --- Brent Hyman

Prelude *Praise Him, Praise Him//Deimer*

Welcome Brent Hyman

*#408 [brown] *How Firm a Foundation*

**We Believe*

*#526 [brown] *The Solid Rock*

Baptism/Church Membership
Savannah Alberson, Lauren McKean, Grace Lehman

*#465 [brown] *Baptized in Water*

Children's Story Heidi Lehman
Children age 3- K may walk to Children's Church following the story.

Intercessory Prayer Malcolm Stauffer

Scripture: Malachi 2:17-3:5 Althea Shoaf

Message *Don't Weary Me*/Pastor Jeff Linthicum

**Refiner's Fire*

Offering Prayer for Household Treasury/Local Ministries Linda Eicher

Offertory *It is Well*//Lau
Guests, please fill out the cards in the pew and drop in the offering plate.

Announcements

*#43 [blue] *Christ Is Our Cornerstone*

*Benediction Pastor Jeff Linthicum

*Postlude *Toccata in Seven*//Rutter

If you would like someone to pray with you following the service, please go to the chapel, as someone is waiting 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 in front of the church this morning are in honor of Doyle and Anna Lehman's 65th wedding anniversary on August 30 and have been provided by their family.

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

ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

TUESDAY – August 29

6:30 p.m. Sunshine Hour

6:30 p.m. Prayer with a Pastor – Prayer room

WEDNESDAY – August 30

5:45 p.m. Pizza Supper

7:00 p.m. Evening Service – Fall Kickoff: Christian Illusionist/Comedian Jim Barron will be with us. Jim's show is fun and entertaining for the whole family. His presentation features audience participation, incredible illusions, laugh-out-loud family comedy, and an uplifting, inspirational message of the Gospel. We hope you will plan to attend!

7:00 p.m. Prayer Group – Prayer room

SATURDAY – September 2

9-Noon das Marit Market

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The offering today and next Sunday is for Household Treasury/Local Ministries.

On Tuesdays for the month of September, the Koinonia Class will be responsible for setting up tables for the Wednesday evening meals.

Today is Project Share. Our church is requested to provide feminine hygiene products this month, however, all donations are appreciated.

Teachers and helpers - Adult, youth, and children's teachers and helpers, please pick up your THANK YOU gift for serving this past year - WE APPRECIATE YOU!! If we missed you, please accept our apologies and take a blank one!

Children's Ministry - NOW is the TIME! THANK YOU to those of you who came to see us last week! These opportunities to serve the kids of FMC are still available for FALL (starting in September)! See Chris or Debby today for more details:

SUNDAY:
4th/5th-grade boys Sunday school
Elementary Children's Church

WEDNESDAY:
Gym check-in table
2-3's class helper
preschool class helper

MORE available for Winter and Spring quarter!

Chancel Choir rehearsals will begin Wednesday, Sept. 6, at 8:15. This choir is open to ages 14-99. It rehearses weekly and sings on the second and fourth Sundays of the month. No audition is necessary.

Mennotes Choir (6th-8th grades) will begin rehearsals on Wednesday, Sept. 6, at 6:10. Watch for further announcements regarding the other children's choirs.

Grace Notes Bell Choir will begin rehearsals on Wednesday, September 6.

Wednesday, September 6th, will be our youth kickoff in the gym @ 6:50 p.m. We will have get to know you games and activities along with a team Pringle's competition along with a team human hungry hungry hippos contest going on. There will be snacks and drink. Church meals start up this night at 5:45 p.m. so youth can get a bite to eat beforehand.

Saturday, September 9th, will be a youth pond party and movie night held at Tim and Lana Shoaf's house starting at 4 p.m. Youth bring chips. Swimsuit rules apply. More details to come!

Michiana Relief Sale Men's Chorus. Rehearsals will be at College Mennonite Church, Goshen, IN, beginning August 27, 3:30-5 p.m. Contact Orlyn Lehman for detailed information.

WEDNESDAYS this fall – Evening meals and services will begin again soon, and we hope you're ready to join in fellowship, prayer, and Bible study! This fall quarter in the chapel we'll have Bible teacher Rod Ovitt (Elisha), Naomi Lehman (Men of Faith), Darren Kloepper (The Crossing), and Kent Liechty. Ladies: Grow through the Beth Moore DVD Bible study series on James, beginning each evening at 6:30. **YOU MUST SIGN UP TODAY** so that books can be ordered in time. Men: DVD series "Goliath Must Fall" led by Dave Bauman will meet you in the challenges of life. Please sign up in the foyer **TODAY**. Come, starting Wednesday, September 6, and join one of the midweek groups to learn, fellowship, and grow together.

If you have not had a chance to complete the Adult Ministries Survey, we would still like to hear from you. What topics or themes for study are of interest to you? What would be helpful for you to study in a small group? We want to provide opportunities in which we can grow together! There are still forms on the table in the foyer. Please fill one out and place it in the box labeled "Adult Ministries Suggestions."

Let's celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Michiana Mennonite Relief sale, September 22-23, by **BAKING**. We would like to encourage the congregation to do more baking for the sale. Information sheets, containers, and labels are on the table in the foyer. All baked items need to be at the church by 11 a.m., Friday, September 22.

The 50th annual Michiana Mennonite Relief Sale is September 22-23, at the Elkhart County 4-H Fairgrounds. The sale begins Friday, September 22, at 5 p.m. with activities continuing until 9 p.m. Saturday opens at 7 a.m. until early afternoon. Come and make this weekend a family event! For more information about the sale or to download printable forms, see our website www.mennonitesale.org.

God calls us to encourage each other. Here is a list of September birthdays for missionaries and church staff. A basket will be placed in the foyer in which you may place cards for them, and these will be sent for you.

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Congratulations and best wishes of the congregation are extended to Jerry & Bonnie Flueckiger, who are celebrating their 57th wedding anniversary today; also to Fred & Claudette Stauffer, who will celebrate their 66th wedding anniversary on September 1.

The sympathy of the congregation is extended to the family of Berneta Lehman, who died on August 18; also to Roy & Karen Lehman in the death of his brother, Norman Lehman, on August 21.