

# First Mennonite Church

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## **TODAY'S SERVICES**

October 9, 2016

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 *Come, Thou Fount*  
\*The congregation will be asked to join in singing #521 [blue] on cue.

Welcome Brent Hyman

*\*Salvation's Tide*  
*\*Oceans (Where Feet May Fail)*  
*\*#599 [blue] He Leadeth Me (v.1)*

Anthem: *We're Marching to Zion* arr. Harlan  
Chancel Choir, Mary Beth Huser, and Dr. Scott Lehman

Scripture: Acts 8:26-29 Phil Wulliman

*Speak, O Lord*  
Children age 3-Grade 4 may walk to Children's Church.

Message *Are You Following God's Purpose?*/Pastor Bill Helmlinger

*\*#563 [brown] Open My Eyes That I May See*  
*\*#592 [brown] Jesus Calls Us (vs. 1,4)*

Offering for Household Treasury/Local Ministries Tim Shoaf

Offertory: *Take My Life and Let It Be* arr. Zimmerman/Marvin  
Brass  
Guests, please fill out the cards in the pew and drop in the offering plate.

Prayer & Share Milly Fox

*\*#668 [brown] I'll Go Where You Want Me to Go (vs. 1,2)*

\*Closing Prayer Pastor Bill Helmlinger

\*Postlude *Toccata/Widor*

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.

- 11:20 a.m.      Listening Group – Pastor Jeff’s office
- 6:30 p.m.      Evening Service – Harmonica/Piano Concert & Hymn Sing
- 8:00 p.m.      Youth Bell Choir – choir room

## ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

### TUESDAY – October 11

- 6:30 p.m.      Sunshine Hour
- 7:00 p.m.      Mennonite Choral Society Rehearsal

### WEDNESDAY – October 12

- 5:00 p.m.      Grace Notes Bell Choir
- 5:45 p.m.      Fellowship Meal
- 6:10 p.m.      Little Notes of Praise – Rm. 17
- 6:10 p.m.      JAM – Rm. 7
- 6:10 p.m.      Mennonotes – choir room
- 6:30 p.m.      **The Truth Project** – Pastor Jeff - Rm. 15
- 6:50 p.m.      Grades 1-5 – in the Family Life Center
- 6:50 p.m.      Youth – meet in the Cellar
- 7:00 p.m.      Age 4-K – Room at the bottom of the ramp
- 7:00 p.m.      Age 2 & 3 – Toddler Nursery
- 7:00 p.m.      Chapel – Marcia Cressman: “Walking by Faith”
- 7:00 p.m.      Dave & Lona Shuey leading a video & discussion series on the Tony Dungy book, *Uncommon Marriage* - Rm. 17
- 7:00 p.m.      Prayer Shawl Ministry
- 7:00 p.m.      Women’s Ministries – Project Committee Room. Quilting is also available.
- 7:00 p.m.      Prayer Group – Prayer room
- 8:15 p.m.      Chancel Choir

### SATURDAY – October 15

- 9 a.m. – noon    dasMärít Farmers’ and Artists’ Market

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**The offering** today is for Household Treasury/Local Ministries. Next Sunday it is for Mennonite Central Committee.

**Menu for Wednesday, October 12:** Sloppy Joe sandwiches, triangle potatoes, vegetable casserole, fruit and beverages.

**On Tuesdays** for the month of October, the Young Believers Class will be responsible for setting up tables for the Wednesday evening meals.

**I want to** thank you for all of the birthday cards and well wishes that you sent to me for my 60<sup>th</sup> birthday. They were all very much appreciated. Craig Maven

**October is Pastor Appreciation Month!** We will be showering our pastoral staff again this year with gift cards. Let's thank our pastoral staff by sending cards, gift cards, notes of encouragement, or anything else you would like to do to thank them for all they do to bless our congregation! Some may wish to give a Bible in a pastor's honor through the Gideons. Cards and gift cards may be dropped off in the Spiritual Guidance Cabinet mailbox by the office. The cards will be divided up by the SGC and presented to the staff at the end of the month.

**Calling all teachers:** The Disciple Commission will be hosting a Teacher Appreciation dinner after the morning service **for teachers only** on October 16<sup>th</sup>, followed by a Teacher Training Seminar from 12:00 to 2:00. The speaker will be Cindy Steury, a recently retired education professor from Huntington University, who is also an excellent Bible teacher. This is for ALL teachers of all age groups. People who are considering teaching, but aren't sure, are especially encouraged to come. Please join us for a time of learning and inspiration!

**In October**, three IGNITE kids are getting a wonderful opportunity to travel to the Dominican Republic to serve with their families at Freedom International (with Katie and Kurt Cline). IGNITE is collecting some needed items to send with them. Here are the items we are collecting, if you would like to help. Items can be placed in the red box outside the office by Oct. 9. Items: Children's Tylenol, Q-tips, black chalkboard erasers, chalk for teachers, spiral notebooks, pink erasers, scotch tape, laminating sheets (5 mil).

**Calling All Youth!!** We are taking youth grades 6-12 to RECHARGE 2016, which is a youth all-nighter in Dupont, Ohio, on November 4-5. Cost is \$10. Preregistration to guarantee a T-shirt must be by October 22. You can still go if not registered by then but just won't be guaranteed a shirt. Turn in registration forms to Pastor Bill. We will meet to leave at 5 p.m. and will return around 10:30 a.m. There will be worship, devotions, fellowship, games and tournaments, pizza, door prizes, and more! Forms are in the Youth Room. If you have questions, feel free to get ahold of Pastor Bill in the office or on his cell: 937-638-3097.

**Mission Festival:** Begin thinking about the Lima Rescue Mission food offering during the week of Mission Festival, Nov. 6-13. Items most needed are #10 cans of spaghetti sauce, sauerkraut, pork & beans, vegetables, fruit, sausage gravy, creamed chicken; (no cereal or pie filling, please).

**God calls us to** encourage each other. Here is a list of October 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.

15 Elias (Doug) Bryan    15 Loren C.    17 Nate (Jeff) L.  
20 Jonathan (Chuck) Fennig    28 Marie Nussbaum

**Congratulations** and best wishes of the congregation are extended to Charles & Louise Lehman, who will celebrate their 57<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on October 10.