

# First Mennonite Church

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

October 23, 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 *What a Friend We Have in Jesus/Hegarty*

Welcome Brent Hyman

Announcements

\*#793 [brown] *For the Beauty of the Earth*

\*#63 [brown] *All Creatures of Our God and King*

\**Overwhelmed*

Offering for Household Treasury/Local Ministries Sharon Wulliman

Offertory: *Here I Am to Worship* arr. Labenske

Children age 3-Grade 4 may walk to Children's Church.

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

Scripture: Philippians 4:4-7 Alyssa Hildebrand

Message *Gentleness*/Pastor Jeff Linthicum

Anthem: *My Jesus, Live in Me* Dengler

Chancel Choir

Prayer Shawl Blessing Nicki Lehman

Prayer & Share Jane Mosser

\*#352 [blue] *Gentle Shepherd*

\*Benediction Pastor Jeff Linthicum

\*Postlude *Take the Name of Jesus with You/Innes*

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.

**6:30 p.m.** Evening Service – Mission Trip Report: 1<sup>st</sup> Menno Misfits

**8:00 p.m.** Youth Bell Choir – choir room

## ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

### TUESDAY – October 25

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

### WEDNESDAY – October 26

- 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 – Darren Kloepper: “Excerpts from Exile.”  
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

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**The offering** today is for Household Treasury/Local Ministries. Next Sunday it is for Mennonite Mission Network Home.

**Next Sunday is Project Share.** Our church is requested to provide soups this month; however, all donations are appreciated.

**Menu for Wednesday, October 26:** Chicken with gravy, rice, fruited jello 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. **Next month the Bible Basics Class the will be responsible for setting up tables.**

**Registration** for November 11-12 Ladies’ Retreat: You are invited to the “Sweet Life Café” Ladies Retreat! Join us for a wonderful time with old and new friends! Today is the last day to register. Cost is \$70; money must be turned in with the form for registration. Sign up at the table in the foyer before or after the morning service. Contact the church office or Lori Bailey for any questions.

**We have been** experiencing a shortfall in the Wednesday evening meal contributions. We are running about \$2,000 behind expenses this calendar year. Please keep this in mind as you share in the Wednesday meals.

**The showcase** in the foyer has pictures of missionary families for the Thanksgiving season. If you know of someone who is missing and you have a picture of them, please let the church office know. Thank You.

**Youth Fall Party!** October 30<sup>th</sup> from 4-8 p.m. @ Bill & Gretta Lehman's cabin. There will be chili, corn hole, pumpkin painting, and more! Bring your own chair. Girls bring chips and guys bring pop. If you want more info, contact Pastor Bill.

**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.

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS** - Kids in grade 1-5 will be presenting "Christmas County Spelling Bee" on December 11 at 6:30 p.m. Preschool-Kindergarten kids will sing before the musical on the same evening. Please mark your calendars now! All kids in grades 1-5 should have received a CD with the music three weeks ago in Sunday School. We will be learning these songs during Sunday School opening, but would love for you to practice with them at home! We will also have a few practices on Wednesday nights and a dress rehearsal on Saturday the 10th. There is a schedule included in the CD.

**Calling All Youth!!** We are taking youth grades 6-12 to RECHARGE 2016, which is a youth all-nighter in Dupont, Ohio, on Nov. 4-5. Cost is \$10. Preregistration to guarantee a T-shirt must be by October 23. You can still go if not registered by then but just won't be guaranteed a shirt. Turn in registration forms to Pastor Bill. 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.

**It is time to sign up** now for the Scripture Memory program, which will begin in January. There is a memory plan to fit all ages, including a wonderful ABC memory book for young ones starting at age 3. Those who develop this habit never regret it! To enroll for the 2017 Scripture Memory program, pick up a form by the office or call Judy at the church office [589-3108] by Oct. 31.

**"Prayer for the Ends of the Earth"** - Through "Prayer for the Ends of the Earth," we desire that this year's mission festival be bathed in prayer. At least 72 prayer warriors are needed to complete this goal. Please take a globe from the chapel wall and sign up for a time that fits into your schedule. If you are unable to come to the church to sign up, just call the church office, and they will make sure you are included. From 9:00 am, Saturday, Nov. 5, until 9:00 am, Sunday, Nov. 6, there will be prayer requests from our missionaries in the chapel and the prayer room for you to pray over. Thank you for being a part of the Spirit's moving in our midst.

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

28 Marie Nussbaum November 1 Leon Schanely 8 Tim Sprunger  
11 Elisa Fox (Brian) 19 Anna V. Liechty 25 Arlene Bauman 28 Mary Bauman

**Congratulations and best wishes** of the congregation are extended to Lloyd & Carol Neuenschwander, who will celebrate their 63<sup>rd</sup> wedding anniversary on October 25.