

First Mennonite Church

August 21, 2011

ORGANIST - Dr. Scott Lehman SONG LEADER- Brent Hyman

Prelude Your Love Is Strong

Nick Balsiger's Band

Welcome Brent Hyman

*Lifesong

*Blessed Be Your Name

*How He Loves

Hope Clinic Mission Moment Mary Carol Schwartz

Offering for Household Treasury/Local Ministries
Prayer led by Pastor Jeff Linthicum

Offertory Sunday School Jubilee/Mauldin

Tammy Sprunger

Children ages 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 Daniel 3:1-12/Beth Knuth

Message Faith in the Fire/Pastor Jeff Linthicum

#579 [brown] In God I Trust

#580 [brown] Through It All

#581 [brown] 'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus (vs. 1,2,4)

Prayer and Share Pastor Jerry Flueckiger

Truth Project Promo Pastor Jeff Linthicum

*#581 [blue] Take Thou My Hand, O Father (v. 1)

'Benediction Pastor Jeff Linthicum

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.

stlude Hosanna

*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 Orlando Sprunger's 90th birthday and have been provided by his family.

2:00 p.m. Brent Neuenschwander will be giving an organ recital. There will be a free-will offering taken at the organ recital this afternoon for Brent Neuenschwander.

6:30 p.m. Nick Balsiger's Band (Unite) will perform a concert in the Family Life Center from 6:30-8.

ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

TUESDAY – August 23

6:30 p.m. Sunshine Hour

7-9 p.m. Prayer Room is open to anyone for a prayer meeting.

WEDNESDAY – August 24

7:00 p.m. Youth – Back to School Rally at SA football field

7:00 p.m. Nursery for up to age 2

7:00 p.m. Chapel Service- Echoes of the Past

7:00 p.m. Prayer Room for corporate prayer

SATURDAY – August 27

8-12 noon das Marit Farmers' & Artists' Market – freshly picked produce, home baked goodies & fellowship.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Class 96 will be in charge of setting up tables for the fall kick-off meal on Wednesday, August 31.

Due to the vast number of people dropping their land lines we cannot get a hold of you if we do not have your number. Would you be willing to share with us your cell phone numbers so that we can keep them on file? Also if you have a cell phone number and a land line number and would like to share your cell phone number, we would love to have it as well. Call the church office at 589-3108 or e-mail renee@firstmennonite.org. We will make a cell phone directory that you can add to your pictorial in the back of the book, if you would like to have it published. Thanks-- the church office!!!

Chancel Choir rehearsals will begin on September 7 at 8:15 p.m. God has given us voices. Let's combine them to His glory! New members welcomed and encouraged!

SS Promotion Sunday for youth and children – September 4!

All children's choirs will begin rehearsals on September 7 at 6:10 p.m. This includes Little Notes of Praise (ages 4-1st grade), JAM (2nd grade-5th grade), and Mennonotes (6th-8th grade).

Children's Choirs Kick-Off Party: We will have a choir kick-off party at Joe Graber's pond on Wednesday, August 24 from 6-8. It will include hot dogs, games, fishing, and swimming. We are asking that parents come to this for the sake of the safety of the swimmers. This is for all singers ages 4-8th grade. You do not have to come to the party to be in choir. Buy why wouldn't you? It'll be fun.

Need Bowler for First Mennonite's bowling team. If interested, call Kendall Lehman at 849-1000.

Don't forget to join us for the Hope Clinic's Walk for Life! Walkers simply get sponsors, the Clinic will collect the pledges; just 2 miles on Saturday, September 24. This is a great way to be a part of a life-giving, life-changing ministry! Pick up sponsor forms on the table in the foyer; questions, call Lydia Fox at 334-5389.

Want to stir up your appetite for some Godly goodies? Join us for "Soul Food!" Grades 1-5 will begin this DVD series featuring friends we have met in past series---crazy Craig and his sidekick, Nan. All students grades 1-5 are invited to join us for these Godly goodies on Wednesday night from 7:00-8:00 p.m. beginning August 31 in the Spotlight room. (We could also use one more adult helper to join us in this Soul Food venture! Call Carole for more details.)

Support our Youth with prayer! Michael Yoder, Campus life Director, is organizing a "Back to School Rally." It is an exciting opportunity to come together as a community, surrounding our youth and city in prayer. We hope you will consider attending this opportunity on Wednesday, August 24th. The rally will begin at 7 p.m. at the SA football field, ending at dusk with the launch of lighted prayer lanterns. Youth, parents, grandparents, and other concerned adults are invited!

Men are welcome to join the current Relief Sale Chorus for rehearsals at 4:00 p.m. August 28, September 4, 11, 18 and at 7 p.m. on the 22nd at North Goshen Mennonite, 501 N. 8th Street. Programs are at 7 p.m. on the 23rd and 25th.

Congratulations and best wishes of the congregation are extended to Robert & Amy Wechter, who will celebrate their 52nd wedding anniversary on August 23; also to Jerry & Bonnie Flueckiger, who will celebrate their 51st wedding anniversary on August 27.