

# First Mennonite Church

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I keep asking that the God of our  
Lord Jesus Christ...



may give you the Spirit of wisdom  
and revelation,  
so that you may know him better.



Ephesians 1:17

## TODAY'S SERVICES

October 28, 2018

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

Jim Schwartz - Care & Visitation Pastor

Bill Helmlinger - Youth Pastor

Brent Hyman - Music & Worship Ministries

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

Prelude *Jesus Calls Us*/Wood

Welcome Brent Hyman

Announcements

*\*Knowing You*

*\*#11 [brown] Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

*\*I Give You My Heart*

Children's Story Linda McKean

Children age 4-K may walk to children's church.

Intercessory Prayer Pastor Jim Schwartz

Scripture: Ephesians 1:15-21 Lauren Smith

Message *Prayer Brings Results* /Pastor Jeff Linthicum

*\*#549 [brown] Higher Ground*

Offering Prayer for Eastern Mennonite Missions Becca Amstutz

Offertory: *Like a River* Osiek

Chancel Choir

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

\*Benediction Pastor Jeff Linthicum

\*Postlude Anthem from "The Bell Symphony"/Purcell

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.

**TODAY AT FIRST MENNONITE**

**On the scanner and TV** today is the Helping Hands class.

**6:30 p.m.** Evening Service—chapel. Testimony and Hymn Sing

**8:00 p.m.** Youth Bell Choir (7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grades)

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

**Youth Harvest Party** is TONIGHT from 5 pm to 8 pm tentatively at Fellowship Point. In case of rain, we will be in the Family Life Center. Chili, hot dogs, dessert, and hot cocoa provided. Girls bring chips/cookies, and guys bring 2 liter of pop.

## ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

### TUESDAY – October 30

- 6:30 p.m. Sunshine Hour  
6:30 p.m. Prayer in the Prayer room  
7:00 p.m. Mennonite Choral Society

### WEDNESDAY – October 31

- 5:00 p.m. Grace Notes Bell Choir  
5:45 p.m. Fellowship Meal  
6:10 p.m. Little Notes of Praise (4 yr. old – 1<sup>st</sup> grade) Rm. 17  
6:10 p.m. Mennonotes – Choir room (grades 6-8)  
6:10 p.m. JAM – Rm. 7 (grades 2-5)  
6:45 p.m. *Design for Discipleship*, led by Malcolm & Jeanne Stauffer and John & Renelle Stauffer in Room 13  
6:50 p.m. Grades 1-5 – in the Family Life Center  
6:50 p.m. Youth – Youth room  
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 – Bill Archer – *End-Times Prophecy for Today*  
7:00 p.m. *The 23<sup>rd</sup> Psalm for the 21<sup>st</sup> century: A Jewish Shepherd's Story* led by Darin Ringler in Room 15  
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  
SUNDAY – November 4  
9:00 a.m. Sunday School – sanctuary. Chuck & Carole Fennig will be sharing.  
10:00 a.m. Worship Service – Jean-Paul Tiendrebeogo will be sharing.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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 will be responsible.

The menu for Wednesday, October 31: Spaghetti with meat sauce, salad, bread sticks, ice cream & beverages.

**Mission Festival is coming** the week of Nov. 4 - 11! We would again like to shower the Lima Rescue Mission with food donations. You may begin shopping for the large cans of food. There will be tables in the patio area beginning tomorrow. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

**Remember to adjust your clocks back one hour on Saturday, November 3.**

**After 30 years**, we still have an inventory of Our Swiss Pantry II. Remaining cookbooks will be available in the foyer starting the first Sunday in November and will continue until the end of the month. There will be no charge for the cookbooks. However, donations will be accepted and will be given to missions.

**Scripture Memory** program – This is the last week to enroll in the 2019 Scripture Memory program, which begins in January. There is a memory plan for any age, including a wonderful ABC memory book for young children, starting at age 3. To enroll for the 2019 program, call the church office [589-3108].

**Our children's Christmas program** will be on Sunday, December 9, at 6:30 pm. All kids ages 3-4th grade will participate. Preschool kids will practice during Sunday School. Grades 1-5 will present the musical "The First Leon" and will rehearse on Wednesday nights from 7-8 pm with a dress rehearsal on Saturday, December 8, from 9 am-12.

**PARENTING DVDs** – The church library has DVD copies of each of the three excellent parenting series that were offered here within the last year: "Parenting Boundaries on Tech: Protecting from Porn" with Chris Gilbert, "Parenting: What Does the Bible Say?" with Dr. Kent & Becky Lehman, and "Parenting in a Digital Age" with Clinton Faupel. These are available at the library table in the foyer. We encourage you to take advantage of these resources. They are full of wise, Biblical counsel for the challenging times in which we live.

**Missions Festival Intentional Prayer Experience-** The Witness Commission invites you to come and take some time to pray intentionally for our missionaries and missions around the world. There are more than 6,000 people groups that have yet to encounter Jesus. Many of them are having dreams and visions that usher them into relationship with Jesus. Come be a part of the powerhouse of prayer that is fighting spiritual warfare on behalf of the lost. This will be available from 4 pm Sunday, November 4, through 4 pm Sunday, November 11.

**October is Pastor Appreciation Month!** We will be showering our pastoral staff again this year with gift cards. Let's thank our leaders 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 distributed to the staff next month.

**November 2-3** is Recharge Youth All-Nighter in Ohio. Cost is \$10. Deadline to turn forms and money in to go is TODAY. Let Pastor Bill know if you plan on going, if you have not signed up yet.

**November 11** - Missions Speaker Troy Landis will eat and fellowship with youth at 5 pm.

**Music4Missions Fundraiser** brought in a grand total of \$6,254. We just want to take this time to thank the church congregation very much for their donations toward the youth going on the missions trip next summer to Freedom International. We have 23 youth and 4 adults going on this trip, so it won't be cheap, but our God is good! We have a couple more fundraisers planned for the coming year to help with expenses as well.

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

1 Leon Schanely      8 Tim Sprunger      11 Elisa Fox      25 Arlene Bauman  
28 Mary Bauman

**Congratulations** and best wishes of the congregation are extended to John & Mary Eicher, who will celebrate their 71<sup>st</sup> wedding anniversary on November 1.