

First Mennonite Church

566 West Main Street, Berne, Indiana 46711

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TODAY'S SERVICES

September 23, 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

Holy God, We Praise Thy Name/Bish

Welcome

Brent Hyman

**Today Is the Day*

**Open the Eyes of My Heart, Lord*

**Holy Spirit*

Offering Prayer for Lancaster Conference

Pastor Bill Helmlinger

Offertory: *Our Father*

Courtney

Chancel Choir

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

Scripture: Hebrews 3:7-13

Alyssa Hildebrand

Speak, O Lord

Those people with containers with coins for My Coins Count may bring them to the front of the sanctuary. The children ages 4-K may walk to children's church.

Message

Pastor Jim Sutton

**#479 [brown] Softly and Tenderly (vs. 1,2,4)*

**#638 [brown] I Need Thee Every Hour (vs. 1,2,4)*

Prayer and Share

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

*Closing Prayer

Pastor Jim Sutton

*Postlude

Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus/Mansfield

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 – sanctuary. Musical group *Unclouded Day* will be in concert. A free-will offering will be taken.

8:00 p.m. Youth Bell Choir (7th-12th grades)

ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

TUESDAY – September 25

6:30 p.m. Sunshine Hour

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

WEDNESDAY – September 26

5:00 p.m. Grace Notes Bell Choir

5:45 p.m. Fellowship Meal

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 – Rod Ovitt – *Come Near to the Relational God*

7:00 p.m. *The 23rd Psalm for the 21st century: A Jewish Shepherd's Story* led by Darin Ringger 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

SATURDAY – September 29

9-Noon das Marit Market

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

The menu for Wednesday, September 26: Hawaiian meatballs, rice, lettuce salad, garlic bread, mixed fruit & beverages.

Tomatoes wanted: Have extra tomatoes? The Wednesday meal team could use them. Please bring them to the kitchen by Wednesday at 2 p.m. on September 26.

Next Sunday is Project Share. Our church is requested to provide canned meat this month, however, all donations are appreciated.

Once again, Berne Preschool asks you to help them by eating cookies. More specifically, you can buy cookie dough in our annual fundraiser between September 17 - October 1. Order forms are on the table in the foyer and can be returned to Greta Lehman's church mailbox.

JUNIOR QUIZZING TO BEGIN: If you are in 3rd to 6th grade and would like to study God's Word, quiz area churches, and have monthly fun events, sign up now for Junior Quizzing. Weekly practices begin on Sunday evenings in October and run through February. Sign up at the display in the patio area through September 30th.

Still Needed: Elementary Children's Church helper (once a month). See Chris or Debby if you can help!

LET'S FEAST, 2018 Women's Retreat. September 28-29. Sign up through September 26. Only \$20. Any questions? Ask Becca Amstutz. Sign-ups are in the foyer!

CUPCAKES & CANVAS – LADIES! Join us for a women's event, Cupcakes & Canvas, on Thursday evening, October 11, at 6:30 in Fellowship Hall. Cost is \$23 per person, to be paid at time of registration. Sign up in the foyer through October 3. All supplies will be provided. Questions? Call Lori Bailey, 260-849-2254.

Child Care Needed for nursery during movie night Sunday evening, October 7. We will be showing "I Can Only Imagine." A child-appropriate video will be provided for younger children. See Chris or Debby if you can help.

Singers are invited to attend the Mennonite Choral Society rehearsals which begin Tuesday, October 2, at 7 pm for the annual rendition of Handel's *Messiah*. Additional choruses will be learned this year in preparation for our concert. No tryouts; come join us!

END-TIMES PROPHECY FOR TODAY is the series planned for October Wednesday evenings in the chapel. Bill Archer will be our teacher. We hope you plan to join us for this series!

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 Bryan	15 Loren Claassen	17 Nate Linthicum
20 Jonathan Fennig	28 Marie Nussbaum	