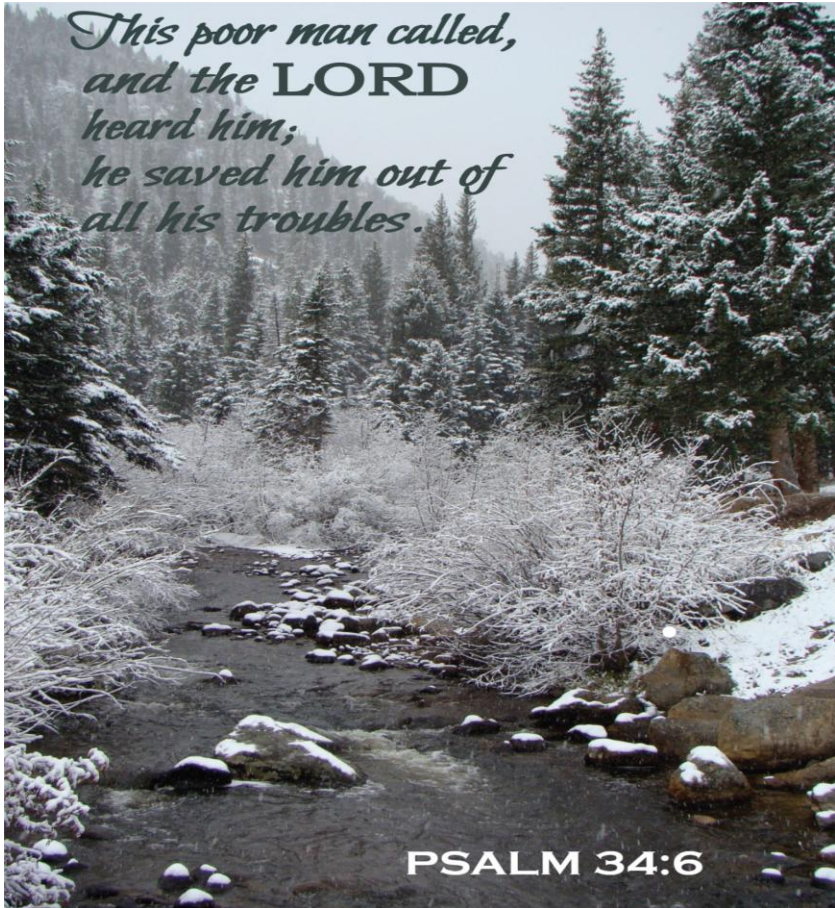


First Mennonite Church

566 West Main Street, Berne, Indiana 46711

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TODAY'S SERVICE

January 11, 2026

9:00 a.m. Sunday School - - - 10:00 a.m. Morning Worship

Morning worship is broadcast at 10:00 a.m.

6:30 pm Evening Service

Radio – 1440AM, 100.9FM; Scanner – frequency 161.76

Online – www.firstmennonite.org; guest Wi-Fi password – fmcguest

Jeff Linthicum – Senior Pastor

Jim Schwartz – Care & Visitation Pastor

Brent Hyman – Music & Worship Ministries

Chris Hyman & Josie Pfister – Children's Ministries

WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP SERVICE
ORGANIST --- Scott Lehman ✝ WORSHIP LEADER --- Brent Hyman

Prelude *How Firm a Foundation/Bish*

Welcome Brent Hyman

**The Lord's Prayer (It's Yours)*
**#107 [blue] Blessed Savior, We Adore Thee*
**Build Your Kingdom Here*

Offering Prayer for MCC Meat Canner Jim Eicher

Offertory: *More Love to Thee/Pethel*
Children ages 4-5th grade may walk to Children's Church.

*Scripture: Psalm 34:6 and Matthew 5:3 Josh Linthicum

Message *The Kingdom/Pastor Jeff Linthicum*

**Lord, I Need You*

Prayer and Share Jane Mosser

Announcements

**#343 [brown] Amazing Grace (vs. 1,2,5)*

*Benediction Pastor Jeff Linthicum

*Postlude *In Thee Is Gladness/J.S. Bach*

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

9:00 a.m. Sunday School: Tad Wulliman
6:30 p.m. Revelation 7: Dr. Kent Lehman

ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

TUESDAY – January 13

6:30 p.m. Sunshine Hour (not on livestream; listen on scanner)

WEDNESDAY – January 14

5:15 p.m. Grace Notes rehearsal (choir room)
5:45-6:30 p.m. Fellowship Meal in the patio
6:10 p.m. JAM rehearsal (Room 7) and Mennonotes (choir room)
7:00 p.m. Ages 0-3: Nursery
7:00 p.m. Ages 4-K: Room at the bottom of the ramp
7:00 p.m. Grades 1-5: Family Life Center
7:00 p.m. Youth: Youth Room (opens at 6:30 p.m.)
7:00 p.m. Chapel: Genesis 39 (Pastor Jim Schwartz)
7:00 p.m. Band of Brothers: "The Christ Acronym" (Room 13)
7:00 p.m. She Shares: "Martha & Mary" (Room 13)
7:00 p.m. Young women's (20s & 30s) small group: Galatians (Room 14)
7:00 p.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry, Women's Ministries, and Quilting
8:15 p.m. Chancel Choir rehearsal (choir loft of the sanctuary)

SUNDAY – January 18

9:00 a.m. Sunday School: Darren Kloepper
10:00 a.m. "Be Comforted" (Ps. 126:5-6 and Matt. 5:4): Pastor Jeff Linthicum
11:00 a.m. Annual Business Meeting
6:30 p.m. Revelation 8: Dr. Kent Lehman

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Next Sunday, Jan. 18, our Annual Business Meeting will be held following the morning worship service. Agendas for the meeting are available today.

Menu for Wednesday, Jan. 14: Sloppy joes, fresh veggie, homemade applesauce, chips, desserts, and beverages.

Wednesday Meal Set-Up: The Cornerstone class is responsible for setting up tables in January. The Fellowship class will set up in February.

Buckets needed: The Wednesday night meal team is requesting anyone who has gallon or half gallon sized plastic ice cream style buckets with lids that they no longer need to donate them to the church kitchen. These can be turned in to the main kitchen. If you have questions, please see Kevin or Brandi McGeath.

Young Women's Small Group: The young women's small group is starting the book of Galatians this week! We meet in Room 14 on Wednesdays from 7:00-8:00 p.m., and would love to have you join us for this study.

MCC Meat Canner: Mark your calendars! The MCC meat canner will be here at First Mennonite on **Friday, Jan. 23, and Saturday, Jan. 24, 2026**. For more information, please contact Paul Bluhm at (260) 223-2142.

Decade Anniversaries: Are you celebrating a decade anniversary in 2026? If you are, please bring a wedding picture to the church office or email your image to jireusser@icloud.com by **Monday, Jan. 26**.

Marriage Conference: Are you serious about your marriage.....or maybe just trying to keep your head above water these days? Work, kids' sports, groceries, gas, repairs—whew! Life is a lot. If you're ready for a breather...and a chance to rediscover your marriage partner, we've got you covered. Please join us at the Adams County Fairgrounds on **Feb. 13 & 14, 2026**, for fun, food, fellowship—and a fresh start! You can register at adamscountystrong.org.



Wanted: Flannel fabric for MCC blankets in ½ yard or larger pieces, any color or design. Please bring your pieces to the craft room. For more information, please contact Sharon Ninde or Nicki Lehman.

Hope Clinic Baby Shower: We love babies! And we love their Moms and Dads! In support of Sanctity of Human Life, we are asking you to purchase **new** items for the Hope Clinic. We are hosting a church-wide baby shower so that we can bless those who have chosen life for their child. The following are **new** items that are always needed: **New baby equipment:** cribs/mattresses, pack 'n plays with bassinet, swings, bouncer seats, highchairs, baby gates, strollers, car seats/booster car seats, high back booster seats, potty chair or ring, baby monitors; **baby care items:** baby wash/shampoo/lotion, formula (especially Enfamil), baby food/toddler snacks, laundry soap, infant care kits (clippers, medicine dispenser, suction bulb, etc.), crib and pack 'n play sheets, baby wash cloths/hooded towels, baby bathmat/tubs; **supplies:** bottles, teething and baby toys, diapers (newborn, 3, 4, 5 & 6), wipes, pull-ups (2T-3T, 3T-4T, 4T-5T), sippy cups/baby tableware, clothes/coats (newborn through 7T), toys/games (newborn to age 5), backpacks/school supplies, children's books (infant to age 5), baby blankets. For our mothers we need used maternity clothes, adult hats and instant pot cookers. **Note: Items NOT needed at this time include burp cloths, diapers in sizes 1 and 2, baby powder and baby oil.**

Congratulations and best wishes of the congregation are extended to Fred & Mary Jane Whitehurst, who are celebrating their 68th wedding anniversary today.

YOUTH

Winter Retreat: The Youth Winter Retreat is scheduled for **Jan. 30-Feb. 1, 2026**. Please sign up with the QR code in the Youth room.

UPDATE ON THE CHURCH'S FINANCES

As of the end of December, we have the following balance on hand:

Benevolence/ Household Treasury \$ 403,979

Actual spending compared to the approved plan for the Household Treasury is as follows:

	<u>YTD Actual</u>	<u>YTD Plan</u>	<u>YTD Income</u>
Disciple Commission	\$ 40,951	\$ 56,700	
Witness Commission	4,310	7,930	
Worship Commission	11,035	12,550	
Care Commission	13,736	12,250	
Personnel	612,565	633,405	
General Administration	34,637	38,200	
Church Property & Maintenance	<u>127,882</u>	<u>121,100</u>	
Total Household Treasury	\$ 845,116	\$882,135	<u>\$871,968</u>