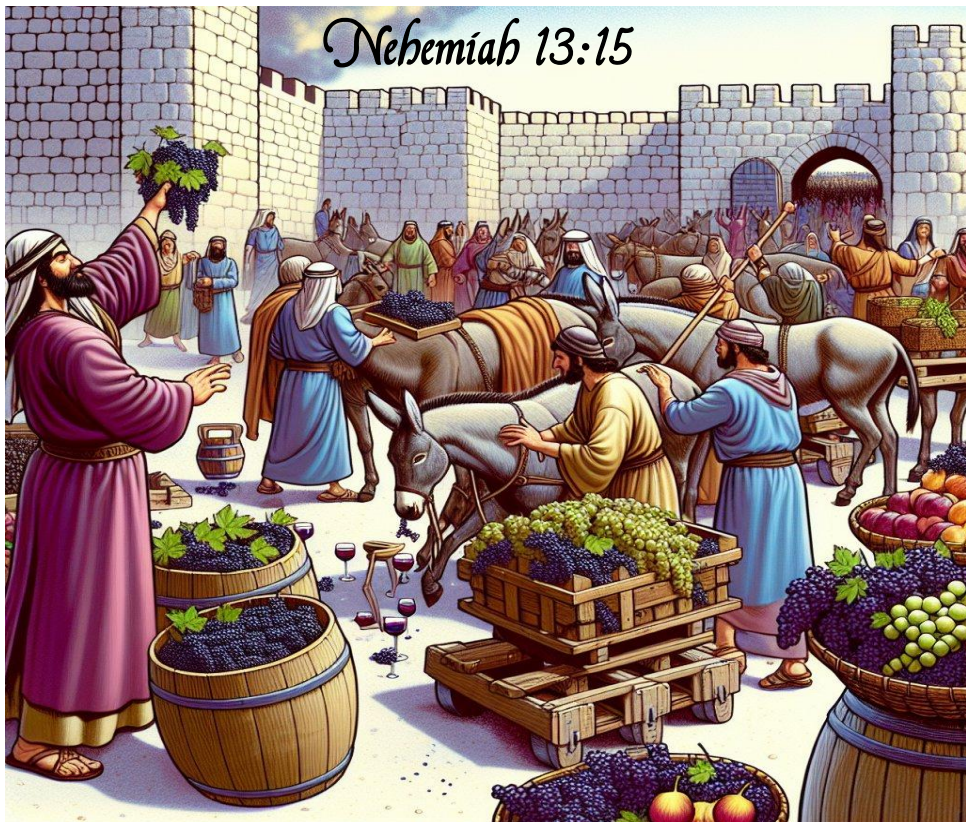


First Mennonite Church

566 West Main Street, Berne, Indiana 46711

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Nehemiah 13:15

TODAY'S SERVICE

October 26, 2025

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

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

6:30 p.m. Triumphant Quartet

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

Bill Helmlinger – Youth Pastor

Brent Hyman – Music & Worship Ministries

Chris Hyman & Debby Neuenschwander – Children's Ministries

WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP SERVICE
ORGANIST– Scott Lehman ✚ WORSHIP LEADER – Brent Hyman

Prelude *Unending Praise/Doran*

Welcome Brent Hyman

Announcements

*#46 [blue] *I Sing the Mighty Power of God*

*#50 [blue] *Praise the Lord, Sing Hallelujah*

**Christ Be Magnified*

Children's Story Jim Eicher

After the story, children ages 4-Kindergarten grade may walk to Children's Church.

Intercessory/Offering Prayer Milly Fox

Offertory *I Sing Because I'm Happy/Dilworth*
Chancel Choir

Scripture: Nehemiah 13:15-17 John Stauffer

Message *Keeping Your Zeal/Pastor Jeff Linthicum*

*#562 [brown] *Be Thou My Vision*

*Benediction Pastor Jeff Linthicum

*Postlude *Laudation/Martin*

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 (chapel): Heidi Lehman
9:00 a.m. "Gift of Prophecy" class in the fellowship hall
6:30 p.m. Triumphant Quartet

Project Share: TODAY is Project Share. This month our church is requested to provide soups; however, all donations are appreciated.

ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

TUESDAY – October 28

- 6:30 p.m. Sunshine Hour (not on livestream; listen on scanner)
7:00 p.m. Handel's *Messiah* rehearsal

WEDNESDAY – October 29

- 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: Hebrews 12 (Joe Meyer)
7:00 p.m. Band of Brothers: "The Christian Worldview" (Room 13)
7:00 p.m. She Shares: "Ruth" (Room 15)
7:00 p.m. Young women's (20s & 30s) small group (Room 14)
7:00 p.m. "Journeying through Grief": Marcia & Jamie Cressman (Room 2)
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 – November 2

- 9:00 a.m. Mission Festival Sunday School: Aaron Kauffman (sanctuary)
10:00 a.m. Mission Festival: Aaron Kauffman
6:30 p.m. Mission Festival: Aaron Kauffman

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Menu for Wednesday, Oct. 29: Spaghetti with meat sauce, salad, breadsticks, ice cream, and beverages. **Meal Set-up:** The Growing Believers class is responsible for setting up tables in October. The Bible Basics class will set up in November.

Mission Festival Pizza Lunch: Next Sunday, Nov. 2, join us for a pizza lunch and participate in the MCC school kits packing of 2,000 kits! Please sign up in the foyer or on the church app TODAY if you plan to participate.



Mission Festival Offering: All offerings next Sunday, Nov. 2, will go toward Mission Festival unless the envelope is marked otherwise.

Mission Festival Food Night: Join us on Wednesday evening, Nov. 5, as we share and taste unfamiliar flavors and textures during our Ethnic Food Night! Come with a favorite or new dish for sharing, and get out your ethnic clothing to wear! See you there!

Mission Festival Food Drive: The food drive this year will be for our local Compassionate Ministries; therefore, do not purchase institutional-size food. We are alerting you in order for you to capture any sales during the month of October.

Operation Christmas Child: Shoeboxes are available in the patio. Please consider filling a shoebox for a needy child around the world! Shoeboxes can be turned in to Room 9 beside the kitchen by Sunday, Nov. 23.

Kids' Mission Banks: Mission Banks for the Children's Mission Festival are available in the patio. Children/families are encouraged to take one, fill it, and return it by Sunday, Nov. 9. They will be collected in the morning worship service. The money raised through the kids' banks will go towards El Nido (The Nest), a crisis pregnancy center at VidaNet in Heredia, Costa Rica. They will use the money in Costa Rica to purchase needed supplies such as diapers, wipes, etc. We will also collect NEWBORN clothes and burp rags that will be hand-delivered at the end of the year by Conner Hyman.

MCC Comforter Bash: The Wednesday night quilting group is attending the MCC Comforter Bash on Saturday, Nov. 8, from 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. We'll meet at the church at 5:45 a.m. and leave the parking lot at 6:00 a.m. The event address is Pleasant View Church, 58529 Co. Rd. 23, Goshen, IN, 46528. No experience is needed for the event, and sewing supplies will be provided. If you have any questions, please see Brandi McGeath or one of the members of the quilting group. If you would like to attend, please sign up on the sheet just outside of the sanctuary.

Three Oaks Christian School Banquet: Join us for the second annual Three Oaks Partnership Banquet on Thursday, Nov. 13, at 6:30 p.m. where we will hear updates on how the Lord is blessing Three Oaks Christian School. Guest speaker Keith McCurdy will focus on "Raising Sturdy Kids" and share valuable insights to encourage everyone passionate about discipling children. For more information or to RSVP, please contact Lydia Fox at (260) 849-0179.

Handel's Messiah: Rehearsals for Handel's *Messiah* will continue weekly through Tuesday, Dec. 2. A final rehearsal is on Friday, Dec. 5, and the performances are Saturday, Dec. 6, at 7:00 p.m. and Sunday, Dec. 7, at 3:00 p.m. All singers are invited to participate.

Pastor Appreciation: This is the last Sunday for Pastor Appreciation Month. Cards and gift cards may be dropped off in the Spiritual Guidance Cabinet mailbox by the church office. The cards will be divided up by the SGC and distributed to the staff.

Congratulations and best wishes of the congregation are extended to Kip & Linda Summersett, who will be celebrating their 53rd wedding anniversary on Oct. 28.

The sympathy of the congregation is extended to Deb O'Dell, Jessie and Jaci O'Dell, and other family and friends in the death of Mike O'Dell on Oct. 17.

YOUTH NEWS

Harvest Party: The Youth Harvest Party will be this +Saturday, Nov. 1, from 4:00-9:00 p.m. at Fellowship Point. There will be food, a hayride, fall activities, and more!

Morning Star: Youth will be going to Morning Star Ministries on Saturday, Nov. 8, to help serve at their food kitchen.

Mission Festival Youth: Some individuals from Rosedale International will come speak to youth during Sunday School on Sunday, Nov. 9, and will stick around for a meal following Church.