

First Mennonite Church

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*Though you soar like
the eagle
and make your nest
above the stars,
from there I will
bring you down,
declares the **LORD**.*

OBADIAH 1:4 NIV



TODAY'S SERVICES

November 16, 2025

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

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

6:00 p.m. Game Night

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 & Debby Neuenschwander – Children's Ministries

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

Prelude *Ye Servants of God/Hobby*

Welcome Tad Wulliman

*#151 [brown] *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*

**Firm Foundation*

*#118 [blue] *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow*

Mission Moment: International Friendships Mike Collett

Offering Prayer Dan Miller

Offertory *Holy, Holy, Holy/Dykes/Steffen*

Tara Steffen

Children ages 4-5th grade may walk to Children's Church.

Scripture: Obadiah 1:1-4 Ted Beitler

Message *God's Judgment/Pastor Jeff Linthicum*

*#719 [brown] *Children of the Heavenly Father*

Prayer and Share Darren Kloepper

Prayer for Pastors Steve Lehman

*Blessing of Bill Helmlinger

**Great Is Thy Faithfulness* (v. 1)

Postlude *The Solid Rock/Hustad*

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): Darren Kloepper
6:00 p.m.-7:30 p.m. Pickleball, Bunco & Bingo--feel free to bring a dessert to share! (Family Life Center)

ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

MONDAY – November 17

- 7:00 p.m. MINISTRIES COUNCIL

TUESDAY – November 18

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

WEDNESDAY – November 19

- 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 33 (Pastor Jim Schwartz)
7:00 p.m. Band of Brothers: "World Religions" (Room 13)
7:00 p.m. She Shares: "Hannah" (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 23

- 9:00 a.m. Sunday School: Heidi Lehman
10:00 a.m. "What Is Your Witness?" (3 John): Pastor Jeff Linthicum
6:00 p.m. Community Thanksgiving Service at West Missionary

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Menu for Wednesday, Nov. 12: Cook's choice. **Meal Set-up:** The Bible Basics class will set up in November. Class 96 will set up in December.

Operation Christmas Child: Shoeboxes are due today in Room 9. **THANKS SO MUCH TO EVERYONE WHO HELPED FILL A SHOEBOX!**

Ohio State International Students: Friday, Dec. 19-Sunday, Dec. 21, is the weekend to host these students through the auspices of International Friendships. Prayerfully consider joining this evangelistic opportunity showing hospitality in Jesus' Name. There needs to be a minimum of 10 host families by Nov. 30, or the offer will be cancelled. Registration papers are on the table in the foyer. Please use the QR code, along with the hard copy that will remain on the table for Tad Wulliman and Mike Collett to collect.

Funeral Committee: Ladies, we need your help! The Funeral Committee needs ladies to step up and chair the meals. We have enough ladies to help prepare the meals, but need more people to be in charge. If you are interested in helping, please call the church office.

Children’s Ministries Openings: We have these openings this winter: Preschool Children’s Church (crafts once a month); 4th/5th grade Sunday school (once a month); and K-2 Wednesday night teacher (every week for the quarter). Please contact Chris Hyman at chris@firstmennonite.org or call her at (260) 525-9967. You may also use the church app to let us know of your interest!

Night in Bethlehem: Mark your calendars now for “Night in Bethlehem” on Sunday, Dec. 14, from 5:00-8:00 p.m. Start considering how YOU will be involved, and watch for sign-ups soon. If you have any ideas to make this event fresh and exciting for the community, please pass them along to chris@firstmennonite.org. Please check the chapel wall to see how you can help!

Congratulations and best wishes of the congregation is extended to Neal & Cindy Reusser, who will be celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary on Nov. 21.

YOUTH NEWS

Friendsgiving: Youth will have a Friendsgiving meal on Wednesday, Nov. 26, from 6:00-8:00 p.m. down in the Fellowship Hall area. Entrée and drink will be provided. Youth are to bring a side dish to share.

UPDATE ON THE CHURCH’S FINANCES

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

Benevolence/ Household Treasury \$ 281,308

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

	<u>YTD Actual</u>	<u>YTD Plan</u>	<u>YTD Receipts</u>
Disciple Commission	\$ 38,106	\$47,250	
Witness Commission	4,380	6,608	
Worship Commission	6,709	10,458	
Care Commission	11,215	10,208	
Personnel	512,856	527,838	
General Administration	30,011	31,833	
Church Property & Maintenance	<u>109,641</u>	<u>100,917</u>	
	<u>\$712,919</u>	<u>\$735,113</u>	<u>\$612,305</u>