

First Mennonite Church

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**And we know that in all things
God works for the good
of those who love him
who have been called
according to his purpose.**

Romans 8:28 NIV

TODAY'S SERVICES

June 29, 2025

9:00 a.m. Sunday School - - - 10:00 a.m. Morning Worship
Morning worship is broadcast at 10:00 a.m.

No 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

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 *O Christ, Our Hope, Our Heart's Desire*

Welcome Brent Hyman

*#97 [brown] *Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above* (vs. 1-3)

*#139 [brown] *Great Is Thy Faithfulness* (vs. 1,3)

**Way Maker*

**God, You're So Good*

Children's Story Jim Eicher

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

Intercessory Prayer/Offering Prayer Kent Lehman

Offertory *Goodness of God*

Tara Steffen

Scripture: Luke 13:1-5 Jeanne Frank

Message *Naught for Naught (0-4-0)/Pastor Jim Schwartz*

**Good Plans*

Mission Moment Brian & Noelia Fox

*#786 [brown] *Count Your Blessings* (vs. 1,4)

*Benediction Pastor Jim Schwartz

*Postlude *Festival Toccata/Fletcher*

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

NO EVENING SERVICE

Project Share: Today is Project Share. This month our church is requested to provide paper products; however, all donations are appreciated.

ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

TUESDAY – July 1

6:30 p.m.

Sunshine Hour (not on livestream; listen on scanner)

FRIDAY – July 4

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

SATURDAY – July 5

8:00 a.m.-12 noon

Das Märit Farmers & Artists Market

SUNDAY – July 6

9:00 a.m.

Sunday School in the chapel (Marcia Cressman)

10:00 a.m.

“Indwelling Spirit”: Pastor Jeff Linthicum
(Communion Sunday)

NO EVENING SERVICE (JULY 4TH HOLIDAY)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Reminder: There are no Wednesday evening services in July.

Communion: We will be celebrating communion together next Sunday, July 6, during our worship service. Please take time to reflect on the meaning of communion and come ready to celebrate the sacrifice Jesus has made for us. **Swiss Village Residents:** For members of First Mennonite living at Swiss Village who wish to participate in communion next Sunday, the elements will be available at the front desk the day before communion.

Swiss Days Men's Chorus: Calling all men! A men's chorus is forming for the Swiss Days Sunday morning service. All men are welcome to sing! Rehearsal will be on Wednesday, July 23, at 6:30 p.m.

Undergraduate Students: if you are a member of First Mennonite Church and are involved in a service project at any time during the year, you can apply for college tuition money from the Voluntary Service Trust Fund. Guidelines for the Trust Fund and applications are available in the church office.

Perspectives: The 15-week course *Comprehend God's Global Purpose* is coming this fall! This course from Perspectives USA examines the story of God's Global Purpose from four vantage points or “perspectives”. It will be held at Hope Missionary Church in Bluffton (just 20 minutes away) starting Tuesday, Sept. 2. Please see Tad Wulliman or call him at (513) 767-0151 for more information.

Nursery: The baby nursery is booming! If you are interested in serving, we need you!! Most volunteers serve once a month, but scheduling is flexible. Please contact Chris or Debby if interested.

Mission Festival Service Project: The committee has chosen to repeat the MCC School kits for this year's service project in November. Once again, 2,000 drawstring bags will be the goal. If you're interested in helping, please see Sharon Ninde for instructions on sewing and fabric requirements.

Fraud Alert Reminder: If you receive messages by phone, text, or email that appear to be from Pastor Jeff or other staff members requesting assistance, ***do not reply or respond in any way***. No FMC staff member will ***ever*** contact you for money or financial assistance via cell phone, text message, or email. All emails from FMC staff use the staff member's first name and are of the following format: name@firstmennonite.org. If you receive something that has any other address format, ignore it and delete it. Do not respond to any request for funds if it is not from the pulpit or in the church bulletin.

Congratulations and best wishes of the congregation are extended to Steve & Mary Beth Huser, who will be celebrating their 53rd wedding anniversary on July 1; and to David & Sandra Kloepper, who will be celebrating their 60th wedding anniversary on July 3.

The sympathy of the congregation is extended to Olha Kalchenko and other family and friends in the death of her brother this past week in Germany.

YOUTH NEWS

Berne Bash: Area youth groups will get together this Wednesday, July 2, from 6:30-8:00 p.m. at Berne Evangelical Church. This will be a time of fellowship with area churches, along with the Basque students that will be here from Spain.

City Challenge: City Challenge presentation night will be Sunday, July 13, at 6:30 p.m. Thank you to everyone that came out and supported the youth in June at the waffle stand!

Cedar Point Trip: The youth will be going to Cedar Point on Thursday, July 24. The cost will be \$50, which will cover the drink band and ticket. You will need to bring money for two meals. We will need 15 committed to going to get this price and add-on. Please sign up today and grab a permission slip!