First Mennonite Church

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Nehemiah 6



TODAY'S SERVICES

August 24, 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. 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

Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring/Pethel

Welcome

Brent Hyman

Call to Worship: Psalm 27:1-5

*#104 [brown] O Worship the King (vs. 1,2,4,5)

*#575 [brown] Leaning on the Everlasting Arms

*#611 [brown] He Hideth My Soul

Offering Prayer

Floyd Liechty

Offertory

Oceans (Where Feet May Fail)/Houston/Crocker/Ligthelm

Danielle Adams and Praise Band

Children ages 4-Kindergarten may walk to Children's Church.

Scripture: Nehemiah 6:1-4

Charles Akins

Message

Intimidation/Pastor Jeff Linthicum

*#340 [brown] Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus

*Whom Shall I Fear (God of Angel Armies)

Mission Moment: Chuck & Carole Fennig

Prayer and Share

Neal Reusser

Announcements

*#705 [brown] It Is Well with My Soul (vs. 1,2,4)

*Benediction

Pastor Jeff Linthicum

*Postlude

On Our Way Rejoicing/Hamilton

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.** Parenting Forum (patio/kitchen area)

6:30 p.m. Chuck & Carole Fennig sharing

ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

TUESDAY – August 26

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

WEDNESDAY – August 27

5:30-8:00 p.m. Fall Kick-Off

SATURDAY - August 30

8:00 a.m.-12 noon Das Märit Farmers & Artists Market

SUNDAY - August 31

9:00 a.m. Sunday School in the chapel (Pastor Jim Schwartz) **10:00 a.m.** "Everyone Is Needed" (Nehemiah 7:5-7a): Pastor Jeff

Linthicum

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Project Share: Next Sunday is Project Share. This month our church is requested to provide feminine hygiene products; however, all donations are appreciated.

Fall Kick-Off: You are invited to join us in the Family Life Center for an unforgettable "Fall Kick-Off" **this Wednesday, Aug. 27,** from 5:30-8:00 p.m.! Please see the enclosed insert for all activities.

Children's Ministries FALL VOLUNTEERS (starting Sept. 3): The children's department is looking for the following volunteers for WEDNESDAYS: baby/toddler nursery, preschool, elementary, and gym chaperone. Please see Chris or Debby if you can help!

Choir: We need YOU! Choirs for everyone in grades 2 through senior citizens are open without audition and starting soon! All you have to do is show up, and you're in! Please consider singing in one of these ensembles:

- **JAM:** This is for grades 2-5 and starts **Wednesday, Sept. 10**, at 6:10 p.m. in Room 7.
- Mennonotes: This is for grades 6-8 and starts Wednesday, Sept.3, at 6:10 p.m. in the choir room.
- Chancel Choir: Rehearsals will begin on <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>Sept. 3</u>. You simply need to come to the choir room that evening at 8:15 to sign up and get music No audition necessary! Psalm 147:1 Praise the LORD. How good it is to sign praises to our God, how pleasant and fitting to praise him!

Membership/Baptism: If you are interested in becoming a member of First Mennonite Church, or would like to be baptized, please contact the church office.

Fall Meal Team: The Wednesday fall meal team is in need of a few more volunteers to serve food and <u>clean up</u> beginning in September. Please contact Nancy Sprunger or the church office if you are willing and able to help. Also, if you are not a part of a meal team, please consider how you can participate! There is a sign-up sheet on the chapel wall to volunteer for any of the three quarters in which meals are served. Thank you for your support to keep this ministry going!

Perspectives: The 15-week course *Comprehend God's Global Purpose* is coming soon! 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.

Mission Festival Service Project: We have reached our goal of 2,000 bags and 8,000 notebooks! There are flyers available on the table in the foyer with the exact items requested by MCC to fill these school kits. With back-to-school prices, you might be interested in purchasing a few of these items. In October a bulk order will be made to satisfy the remaining needs. Please drop the items in the box marked "Mission Festival MCC School Kit Collection" at the Family Life Center entrance. Thanks to everyone who has helped with this worthwhile project.

Congratulations and best wishes of the congregation are extended to Gary & Connie Yoder, who are celebrating their 51st wedding anniversary today; also to Doyle & Anna Lehman, who will be celebrating their 73rd wedding anniversary on Aug. 30.

YOUTH NEWS

Putt-Putt and Go-Karting: Youth will be going to the Putt-Putt Fun Center in Fort Wayne on **Saturday, Sept. 20**. Cost is \$15 plus money for supper at Chick-fil-A. We will leave church at 3:00 p.m. and return no later than 9:00 p.m. Sign up and grab a permission slip today!

CrossCon: The college age/young adults will be going to CrossCon on <u>January 1-3</u>, **2026**. Information and sign-ups are out now in the college/young adult Sunday School room. This is open to high school seniors, too.