

First Mennonite Church

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TODAY'S SERVICES

August 3, 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 *Rejoice, the Lord Is King/Innes*

Welcome Brent Hyman

*#224 [brown] *We Have Come into His House*

**House of the Lord*

**Here for You*

Offering Prayer for Lancaster Conference Ernie Steiner

Offertory *Blessed Assurance/Lau*

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

Scripture: Hebrews 13:1-3 Barb Wulliman

Message *Hospitality/Pastor Jeff Linthicum*

*#142 [blue] *Brothers and Sisters of Mine*

Prayer and Share Pastor Jim Schwartz

Announcements

*#490 [blue] *Lord of the Home*

*Benediction Pastor Jeff Linthicum

*Postlude *Come, Christians, Join to Sing/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): Tad Wulliman
6:30 p.m. Revelation 1 (Dr. Kent Lehman)

ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

TUESDAY – August 5

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

WEDNESDAY – August 6

7:00 p.m. Chapel: Revelation 2:1-17 with Dr. Kent Lehman

SATURDAY – August 9

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

SUNDAY – August 10

9:00 a.m. Sunday School in the chapel (Marcia Cressman)

10:00 a.m. “Expect Attacks” (Nehemiah 4:7-9): Pastor Jeff Linthicum

5:30 p.m. Back-to-School Picnic & Pool party (Lehman Park)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Church Picnic/Pool Party: Our annual “Back-to-School Picnic Carry-In and Pool Party” is next Sunday, Aug. 10, starting at 5:30 p.m. at the Lehman Park picnic area southeast of the pavilion. The pool will open for swimming starting at 6:30 p.m. Some of the members of the catechism trip will be sharing as well. Beverages, plates, and plastic ware will be provided. We hope to see you there!

Band of Brothers: The Band of Brothers men’s ministry invites the men of the church to a “Grill and Fellowship” on Wednesday, Aug. 13, at 6:00 p.m. Location address is 8949 S 700 E, Bluffton, IN. Food and water will be provided. Please bring your own soft drink if it’s preferred. Come on, men, let’s band together and get to know one another as we kick off our fall gatherings! Connect with John Stauffer or Darren Kloepper for answers to any questions.

Parenting Forum: The children’s department would like to hear from our parents! Join us for a discussion on child discipleship—how can the church help you raise your kids to know and love Jesus? Come brainstorm with us on Sunday, Aug. 24, in the patio/kitchen area during the Sunday School hour.

Free Materials: The church’s Library Committee invites you to visit the tables in the patio and select from a variety of books, CDs, and DVDs. These materials were weeded out from the church library, and are looking for a new home. There is something for everyone!

Watering Flowers: We are in need of several individuals or couples to water flowers around the outside of the church. If this is a way you might be interested in serving, please see Brent Hyman, or email him at brent@firstmennonite.org.

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: Over 1,000 bags have already been sewn towards our goal of 2,000! If you would like to help reach our goal, please see Sharon Ninde for the pre-cut bags that still need to be sewn. Also, there are flyers available on the table in the foyer with the exact items requested by MCC to fill these 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.

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.

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.

Congratulations and best wishes of the congregation are extended to Tom & Betty Stuber, who will be celebrating their 64th wedding anniversary on August 6.

The sympathy of the congregation is extended to Deb & Mike O'Dell and other family and friends in the death of Deb's father, Robert Harter, on July 24.

The sympathy of the congregation is extended to the family and friends of Fred Stauffer, who passed away on July 27.

YOUTH NEWS

Warren Dunes: The youth will be taking a trip to Warren Dunes **this Saturday, August 9.** This will be an all-day trip. Lunch and water will be provided. Please bring money for supper. Sign up today and grab a permission slip!

Swiss Village: The youth will be going to Swiss Village for games and snacks with our congregants in the Social Corner on **Sunday, August 17.** We will eat lunch down in the youth room and then head on over.

B2SB: Youth Back2School Bash will take place **Saturday, August 23,** at Tim Shoaf's home. More details to come.

CrossCon: The college age/young adults will be going to CrossCon on **January 1-3, 2026.** Information and sign-ups are out now.