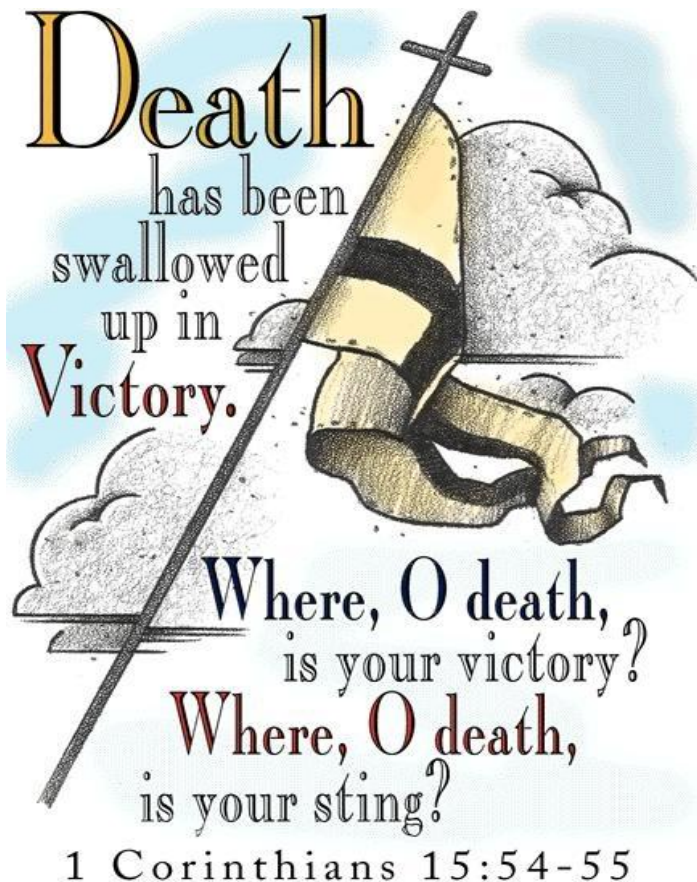


First Mennonite Church

566 West Main Street, Berne, Indiana 46711
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TODAY'S SERVICE

September 20, 2026

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

6:30 p.m. Night of Worship (Family Life Center)

Radio – 1440AM, 100.9FM

Swiss Village – Channel 3

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 & Josie Pfister – Children's Ministries

Conner Hyman – Interim Youth Pastor

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

Prelude *In Heavenly Love Abiding/Parks*

Welcome Brent Hyman

*Responsive Reading (Congregation read the parts in bold print)

**Glorious Day (Living He Loved Me)*

**Days of Elijah*

**#705 [brown] *It Is Well with My Soul* (vs. 1,3,4)

Offering Prayer for LMC Milly Fox

Offertory *The King Is Coming/Gaither/Duren*

First Mennonite Men's Quartet

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

*Scripture: Lev. 23:23-25; Matt. 24:31; 1 Cor. 15:50-57 Chris, Jenny & Ben Dubach

Message *Feast of Trumpets/Pastor Jeff Linthicum*

*#774 [brown] *When the Roll Is Called Up Yonder* (vs, 1,2)

Prayer and Share Kathy Bauman

*#774 [brown] *When the Roll Is Called Up Yonder* (v. 3)

*Benediction Pastor Jeff Linthicum

*Postlude *Take the Name of Jesus with You/Innes*

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
9:00 a.m. Gift of Wisdom led by the Disciple Commission (Room 15)
6:30 p.m. Night of Worship in the **Family Life Center**

Project Share: Next week is Project Share. This month our church is requested to provide canned meat; however, all donations are appreciated.

ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

TUESDAY – September 22

- 6:30 p.m. Sunshine Hour (now on livestream)

WEDNESDAY – September 23

- 5:45-6:30 p.m. Fellowship Meal in the patio
6:15-6:45 p.m. Kids open gym (only kids and approved volunteers)
6:15 p.m. JAM rehearsal (Room 7)
6:45 p.m. Ages 0-K: Toddler Nursery (upstairs)
6:45 p.m. Grades 1-5: Room 7 in the patio
7:00 p.m. Youth: The Importance of Scripture in Our Faith (Youth Room open at 6:30 p.m.)
7:00 p.m. Chapel: From Jesus to Anabaptism (Dr. Ben Sprunger)
7:00 p.m. Band of Brothers: Biblical Manhood (Room 13)
7:00 p.m. She Shares: Mediums and Spiritists (Room 15)
7:00 p.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry, Women's Ministries, and Quilting
8:15 p.m. Chancel Choir rehearsal (choir loft of the sanctuary)

SATURDAY – September 26

- 9:00 a.m.-12 noon Das Märit Farmers & Artists Market

SUNDAY – September 27

- 9:00 a.m. Sunday School (chapel): Heidi Lehman
10:00 a.m. "Feast of Atonement" (Leviticus 16:1-10; Romans 5:9-11):
Pastor Jeff Linthicum
5:00 p.m. Chili Cook-Off at Fellowship Point

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Menu for Wednesday, Sept. 23: Hawaiian meatballs, rice, lettuce salad, garlic bread, mixed fruit and beverages. **Wednesday Meal Set-up:** The Koinonia class is responsible for setting up tables in September. The Growing Believers class will set up in October.

Gift of Wisdom Class: If you'd like to explore the gift of Wisdom, join us today and next Sunday during the Sunday School hour in Room 15.

Discipleship Training and Mission Trip: The first session of DTS is today from 1:00-3:00 p.m. in the patio area by the kitchen. Bring a pencil or pen and a notebook to take notes.

Junior Quizzing: Calling all third, fourth, and fifth graders—Junior Quizzing is about to start! This year we'll be studying Matthew chapters 5, 6, and 7. Come to learn and memorize God's Word, build friendships, and have lots of fun! Please sign up in the patio. If you have questions, contact Jenny Dubach at (260) 849-2342.

Josh Linthicum REACH program: If you would like to receive updates about Josh's mission experience through the REACH program, there is a sign-up sheet in the foyer. You can also send a note or card to Josh at Rosedale International Center, c/o Josh Linthicum, 2120 E 5th Ave., Columbus, OH 43219.

Sunshine Hour Reminder: The Sunshine Hour is now available to watch live online on the church website. Click the “LIVESTREAM” option on the main page to watch each week at 6:30 p.m.

Handel's Messiah Rehearsal: Rehearsals begin Tuesday, October 6, at 7:00 p.m., and continue weekly through Tuesday, December 1. All singers are invited to join the choir for the presentation of *Messiah*.

Chili Night at Fellowship Point: Join us at 5:00 p.m. next Sunday, Sept. 27, out at Fellowship Point for our 5th annual Chili Cook-Off. Bring your chili to share or a dessert/snack, and lawn chairs for you and your family. We'll have cornhole and a fishing tournament, too!

Wednesday Night Kids: The gym is open for kids and background-checked volunteers only from 6:15-6:45 p.m. Kids classes start at 6:45 p.m. If kids arrive after 6:45, please take them to Room 7. Kids will be picked up in the patio at 8:00 p.m.

Safety/Security for FMC Kids: The children's committee has been asked to evaluate the safety and security of the kids of FMC. The beautiful, historic building we have does NOT lend itself well to a secure kids' area. We are in the process of testing electronic check-in equipment and trying some new procedures as we consider possible construction options to make a secure kids' area. While no big decisions have been made yet, please be patient with us as we make a few changes on both Sunday and Wednesday nights to be sure our children are safe!

Tomatoes Wanted: Tomatoes are needed for the Wednesday evening meal. Bring them to the kitchen by 2:00 p.m. this Wednesday, Sept. 23. Thank you!

Relief Sale Baking Supplies: Supplies are available on the baked goods table for the Michiana Relief Sale. Items will need to be placed on tables set up in the hallway by 9:00 a.m. this Friday, Sept. 25.

MDS Trip: A trip is being planned for a group to go to Asheville, North Carolina, the week of December 13-19 to work with Mennonite Disaster Service in rebuilding after the devastation of Hurricane Helene, which took place in September 2024. If interested, please contact Bill Beachey at (260) 849-0426.

UPDATE ON THE CHURCH'S FINANCES

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

Benevolence/ Household Treasury	\$ 515,367		
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Actual spending compared to the approved plan for the Household Treasury is as follows:

	<u>YTD Actual</u>	<u>YTD Plan</u>	<u>YTD Income</u>
Disciple Commission	\$ 21,297	\$ 23,467	
Witness Commission	662	2,617	
Worship Commission	2,804	4,967	
Care Commission	6,029	5,933	
Personnel	360,064	432,861	
General Administration	20,884	20,233	
Church Property & Maintenance	<u>85,881</u>	<u>76,583</u>	
Total Household Treasury	\$ 497,620	\$ 566,661	<u>\$ 612,426</u>