

Back to School Blessings



Freeport Mennonite Church
3416 East Brick School Road
Freeport, Illinois 61032

*Always moving one step closer towards
Christ, community, and each other.*

August 10, 2025
10:30 a.m.

Mark Your Calendars

08/06/25 @ 5:00 a.m.	Men's Small Group
08/13/25 @ 5:00 a.m.	Men's Small Group
08/14/25 @ 9:30 a.m.	WMS
08/20/25 @ 5:00 a.m.	Men's Small Group
08/20/25 @ 1:00 p.m.	COFFEE Small Group
08/23/25 @ 10:00 a.m.	OWLS Small Group
08/24/25 After Church	Potluck & Congregational Meeting
08/27/25 @ 5:00 a.m.	Men's Small Group
09/03/25 @ 6:00 p.m.	AWANA
09/07/25 @ Noon	Celebration Meal
09/17/25 @ 6:00 p.m.	AWANA
10/01/25 @ 6:00 p.m.	AWANA
10/15/25 @ 6:00 p.m.	AWANA
11/05/25 @ 6:00 p.m.	AWANA
11/19/25 @ 6:00 p.m.	AWANA
12/03/25 @ 6:00 p.m.	AWANA
12/11/25 All Day	Meat Canning
12/12/25 All Day	Meat Canning
12/13/25 All Day	Meat Canning
12/15/25 All Day	Meat Canning

Contact the Church Secretary to add your event to the calendar.

Sunday bulletins are finalized on Thursday of each week.

Please submit your requests by Thursday,
to ensure it makes the Sunday bulletin. Thank you.

Things to know...

Adult Sunday School Classes:

There are currently three adult Sunday School classes. If you have an interest in teaching, joining a class, or have a particular area of interest to study for the upcoming year, please contact Dottie Delgadillo.

Blessing of the Backpacks:

Back to School Sunday is today, August 10th. We will be offering a special prayer over each student and school personnel. Parents, please bring your child's backpack so we can physically pray over them.

Bible Study Groups:

Please review the Bible Study Sign-Up Sheets on the table in the annex hall. If possible, make any corrections today.

WMS:

Thursday, August 14th at 9:30 a.m. Please bring a sack lunch. Project will be school kits.

Potluck and Congregational Meeting:

Please join us on Sunday, August 24th for a potluck after the church service, followed by our Semi-Annual Congregational Meeting.

AWANA:

Awana will be starting Wednesday, September 3rd.

We look forward to having your kids, learning verses and teaching them about Jesus. You can sign up your children that are in Kindergarten through 6th Grade. The sign-up sheets are on the table in the annex hall, or you can sign up on our church's website. If you have any questions, please see Dottie Delgadillo or Jan Pfile.

Things to know...

Celebration Meal:

Please join us on Sunday, September 7th at noon for a celebration meal. We will be celebrating the arrival of Pastor Rosalind and her husband, and the fact that all our positions are filled. Most of the meal will be provided, but if it is convenient for you, please bring a salad.

Lifeline Coalition Banquet:

The Lifeline Coalition Annual Banquet is coming up on Friday, September 12th, at 5:30 p.m. at Park Hills Church in Freeport. It is a fundraiser to support their ministry, and a group of us are planning on attending. It is free, but we need to make a reservation. It's a wonderful event every year and such a good cause to support the unborn babies. The speaker is Claire Culwell, who is a twin abortion survivor. Please let Sherrill Oyer or Jan Pfile know by next Sunday the 17th if you would like to join our table.

Church Potluck Picnic:

The Church Potluck Picnic will be held on Sunday, September 21st at the Dakota Park (time is to be determined.) The Freeport Church of the Brethren will be joining us. Please bring two dishes to pass, drinks will be provided.

Nursery Schedule:

1st Sunday of the month: Misty & Kinzy DeHaven and Carole Nafziger
2nd Sunday of the month: Dottie Delgadillo and Jan Pfile
3rd Sunday of the month: Janet Lubbers and Janice Byler
4th Sunday of the month: Sherrill Oyer and LaVonne Arendsee
5th Sunday of the month: TBD

Meat Canning Dates:

Mark your calendars!

Meat Canning will be December 11th, 12th, 13th and 15th.

Prayer Requests

Health

- ✝ Karen Harbach, Roxanne Salivar, Rosemary Zissler, Leota Mann, Phyllis Weisel, Karen Beidler, Sally Pfile, Vicki Zimmerman

Misc

- ✝ Caryl Horstmeier
- ✝ Paul and Jennifer Boyes
- ✝ David Graybill and his family
- ✝ Young Adults: Adrian Delgadillo, Caleb Moss, JJ Pineda & Lucas Pineda
- ✝ AWANA sponsored MICS students: Jane, Emmanuel, Namushi, Beverly, Joshua, Chipego & Alvin

Contact the Church Secretary to add your prayer request to the bulletin.

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## *Let's Celebrate!*

### *Birthdays*

8/12 Christie Moss  
8/12 Luna Bastian  
8/14 Karen Shoemaker  
8/15 Adrian Delgadillo  
8/20 Boe Bastian  
8/25 Tally Flood  
8/27 Mathias Flood  
8/28 JJ Pineda  
8/28 Theo Flood  
8/29 Lucas Pineda

## *August 10, 2025 ~ Order of Service*

### **Welcome and Call to Worship**

*HWB #660*

### **Song**

*VT #297 You Are Salt for the Earth*

### **Prayer**

*Sharing of Praises and Concerns, Announcements*

### **Song**

*VT #789 Be a Sower*

### **Scripture Reading**

*Ephesians 2:10 NIV*

*Hebrews 12:1-3 NIV*

*Philippians 4:6-7 NIV*

### **Message**

*Back to School Blessings*

*David Flood*

### **Prayer**

*School-Age Children ~ please gather in the front  
with your backpacks for prayer and blessings*

### **Closing Song**

*VT #775 I Will Follow*

### **Benediction**

*VT #1054*

## NOTES

**Empowered by the Holy Spirit,  
we commit ourselves to lovingly reach out to all people  
and to bring them into a growing relationship with  
God our Father through His Son, Jesus Christ.**



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