

# First Mennonite Church

566 West Main Street, Berne, Indiana 46711

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## **TODAY'S SERVICES**

October 11, 2020

9:00 a.m. Sunday School - - - 10:00 a.m. Morning Worship

6:30 p.m. Evening Service

Morning worship is broadcast at 10 a.m.

Radio – 1440AM, 100.9FM; Scanner – frequency 161.76

Online – [www.firstmennonite.org](http://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

# WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP SERVICE

ORGANIST --- Scott Lehman † WORSHIP LEADER --- Brent Hyman

Prelude *Unending Praise/Doran*

Welcome Brent Hyman

#3 [brown] *Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty*

\**Good, Good Father*

\*#193 [brown] *God Is So Good*

Bible Memory Recognition Chris Hyman

Scripture: Philippians 3:7-14 Lois Lehman

Special Music: *Be Thou My Vision* Forrest

Chris Hyman, Marie Neuenschwander, Mary Zuercher, Jeanne Frank,  
Mary Carol Schwartz, Heidi Lehman, and Mary Beth Huser  
Children ages 4-5<sup>th</sup> grade may walk to Children's Church.

Message *Who Says Don't*/Pastor Jeff Linthicum

\*Song: *We Believe*

Prayer and Share/Offering Kathy Bauman

\*#11 [brown] *Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing* (vs. 3)

Announcements: MCC 100<sup>th</sup> Celebration  
Gracia Burnham – Mission Festival

\*Benediction Pastor Jeff Linthicum

\*Postlude *Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty/Bliss*

## TODAY AT FIRST MENNONITE

On the scanner and TV today is the Helping Hands Class.

- 9:00 a.m. Sunday School – Pastor Jim Schwartz  
11:20 a.m. Listening Group – Pastor Jeff's office  
6:30 p.m. Pastor Jim Schwartz – The Old Was Better  
8:00 p.m. Youth Bell Choir – choir room

## ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

### TUESDAY – October 13

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

### WEDNESDAY – October 14

- 6:15 p.m. Brown Bag Meal (please sign up in the foyer)  
6:50 p.m. Jungle Gym – Family Faith Lessons in the FLC  
7:00 p.m. Youth – Youth Room  
7:00 p.m. Chapel: *Frontlines: The Armor of God* – Rod Ovitt  
7:00 p.m. Elective: *The Meaning of Marriage* video series in room 15  
7:00 p.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry, Women's Ministries, Quilting

### SATURDAY – October 17

- 9:00 a.m.-Noon das Märit Market

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**The menu for Wednesday, October 14:** Turkey sandwich, chips, and dessert.

**Wednesday Night Adult Electives:** “*The Meaning of Marriage*”, a six-part series by Tim and Kathy Keller, is in room 15. **If you plan to attend and will need childcare, please sign up on the table in the hallway.** *Frontlines: The Armor of God*, a six-week series by Rod Ovitt, continues in the chapel.

**On Saturday, October 17,** at 6:00 p.m., join the livestream celebration and reflection of 100 years of the Mennonite Central Committee bi-national operations, with inspiring stories of the past and MCC's vision for the future. Thank you, First Mennonite, for your faithful support.

**Today is the** last day to stop by the tables at the bottom of the ramp, where we still have all kinds of “freebies” – from books to desk organizers. Any items left over will be cleared out tomorrow (Monday, Oct. 12).

**Wednesday meals:** Bagged meals will be ready at 6:15 p.m. in the patio. Tables will be set up for you to eat with your family before class. Due to the current situations, we are asking that you PLEASE SIGN UP on the activity table in the foyer if you are planning to eat here. We will not be preparing many extra meals.

**3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> graders,** it's time for Jr. Bible Quizzing! We will be studying the book of Philippians. If you want to join, please sign up in the patio.

**Marriage Matters – Adams County Strong:** If you would be interested in being a church point person for an exciting, county-wide initiative to strengthen marriages, please see Chris Hyman or Jim Schwartz.

**Wednesday night programming** for KIDS will continue to be in family groups. **JUNGLE GYM** will be family faith lessons based on some of God's coolest creations – animals! Each family will have their own table for activities in the gym. You do not need to bring chairs/blankets. We will ask you to wear masks until you get settled at your table. Table activities and music will begin at 6:45 p.m., with class at 7:00 p.m.

**Our theme for Mission Festival** is “The Cost to Glorify God”. In Luke 10:3-4, Jesus instructs his disciples, “Go! I am sending you out like lambs among wolves. Do not take a purse or bag or sandals; and do not greet anyone on the road.” This doesn't sound like the beginnings of a very enticing ministry. The new display in the foyer graphically shows one item the Disciples needed to leave behind. Look for it.

**It's not too** early to begin to purchase large cans of food for the Fort Wayne Rescue Mission food shower during Mission Festival. Tables will be set up in the patio area the last week of October.

**Please keep circulating** Gracia Burnham's book, In the Presence of My Enemies. As we anticipate her arrival, it would be wonderful to have many in the congregation familiar with her hostage ordeal.

**Do you have** a family member or friend who is struggling with alcohol? Al-Anon is a mutual support program that gives help and hope for families and friends of alcoholics. You're invited to join them at 4:00 p.m. for a “meet and greet” on Sunday, October 18 at 315 W. Main St. in Berne (meet in the basement). Food will be provided.

**October is Pastor Appreciation Month!** We will be showering our pastoral staff again this year with gift cards. Let's thank our leaders by sending cards, gift cards, notes of encouragement, or anything else you would like to do to thank them for all they do to bless our congregation! Some may wish to give a Bible in a pastor's honor through Gideons International. Cards and gift cards may be dropped off in the Spiritual Guidance Cabinet mailbox by the office. The cards will be divided up by the SGC and distributed to the staff next month.

**God calls us to** encourage each other. Here is a list of October birthdays for missionaries and church staff. You may place your cards in the designated basket in the foyer, and these will be sent for you.

15 Elias Bryan (Douglas)      15 Loren Claasen      17 Nate Linthicum (Jeff)  
28 Marie Nussbaum

**Congratulations** and best wishes of the congregation are extended to Charlie & Louise Lehman, who celebrated their 61<sup>st</sup> wedding anniversary yesterday.

## YOUTH NEWS

October 18: Youth Harvest Party from 3 p.m.-8 p.m. at Joe and Julie Adams' house. Their address is 8678 S 550 E, Berne. Chili, bonfire, s'mores, hayride, games and more! Transportation provided from church at 2:30 p.m.