

First Mennonite Church

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

October 24, 2021

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

Guest Wi-Fi password - fmcguest

Jeff Linthicum – Senior Pastor

Jim Schwartz – Care & Visitation Pastor

Seth Ringger – Interim Youth Director

Brent Hyman – Music & Worship Ministries

Chris Hyman & Debby Neuenschwander – Children's Ministries

WELCOME TO OUR WORSHIP SERVICE

ORGANIST- Scott Lehman † WORSHIP LEADER – Steve Sommer

Prelude

There Is a Name I Love to Hear/Innes

Welcome

Pastor Jeff Linthicum

*Call to Worship: Philippians 3:7-11

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*#562 [brown] *Be Thou My Vision*

* *10,000 Reasons*

* *The Wonderful Cross*

*#506 [brown] *I'd Rather Have Jesus (v. 1)*

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

Scripture: James 4:13-17; 5:7-8

Cory Sprunger

Message

Riches/Pastor Jeff Linthicum

*#707 [brown] *He Giveth More Grace*

Prayer and Share/Offering for Missions

Kent Liechty

*#786 [brown] *Count Your Blessings*

*Benediction

Pastor Jeff Linthicum

*Postlude

Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus/Mansfield

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. Chapel Sunday School: Heidi Lehman (broadcast live)
6:30 p.m. Pastor Jim Schwartz: "Thin Places" (Chapel)

ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

TUESDAY – October 26

- 6:30 p.m. Sunshine Hour (not on livestream; listen on scanner)
7:00 p.m. *Handel's Messiah* rehearsal

WEDNESDAY – October 27

- 5:45 p.m. Fellowship Meal
6:10 p.m. Jam and Mennonotes Choir Rehearsal
7:00 p.m. Ages 0-3: Toddler Nursery
7:00 P.m. Ages 4-K: Room at the bottom of the ramp
7:00 p.m. Grades 1-5: Family Life Center
7:00 p.m. Youth Group in the Cellar: doors open at 6:00 p.m.; program begins at 7:00 p.m.
7:00 p.m. 1 Peter led by Dr. Kent Lehman (Chapel)
7:00 p.m. "Journeying Through Grief" class led by Marcia Cressman in the Heritage Room
7:00 p.m. "How to Have a New Kid by Friday" series led by Jim & Mary Carol Schwartz in Room 15
7:00 p.m. Praise & Worship led by Darin Ringger in Room 13
7:00 p.m. Prayer Shawl Ministry, Women's Ministries and Quilting
8:15 p.m. Chancel Choir rehearsal

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Wednesday Meal Set-Up: On Tuesdays for the month of October, the Young Believers class is responsible for setting up tables for the Wednesday evening meals. Next month is the Bible Basics class.

Menu for Wednesday, Oct. 27: Sloppy joes, vegetables, fruit, and beverage.

2021 Mission Festival: "Prepare for Action" is the theme for the upcoming Mission Festival beginning Sunday, Nov. 7. "*Therefore, preparing your minds for action, and being sober-minded, set your hope fully on the grace that will be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ.*" 1 Peter 1:13. Our action this morning, portrayed by the banners seen as you entered, is to guide our minds to worship by internalizing the words we sing, praying in our hearts along with the leader and allowing the scripture to bring us in closer relationship with Christ. This will assist in "Preparing for Action."

Ethnic Carry-in: Wednesday, Nov. 10, at 5:45 p.m. will be an Ethnic Carry-In for everyone. Two years ago, before COVID, many dressed in ethnic attire and shared dishes from other countries (and local food for the apprehensive). It was a hit...so this year there's a repeat. Don't miss this family event, and please share your recipes!

15 Days of Prayer: The Witness Commission invites you to pick up a "15 Days of Prayer for the Hindu World" prayer guide in the foyer. There are no specific dates on the prayer guide, but consider using it between October 29 and November 14, as this will fall on a major Hindu holiday.

October 31 Evening Service: Sergei Verhovtsev will be speaking. We usually do not have a service on the fifth Sunday, but Sergei is visiting Grant & Jess Meyer, who served alongside of him in Central Asia. He is a Russian believer in Kyrgyzstan who is the director of New Beginnings, an addiction rehabilitation program. Sergei's heart is to see men overcome their addiction, and at the same time commit their lives to Jesus Christ.

Mission Globe Banks: Children's Mission Globe Banks are now available in the patio. We are raising money for audio players for the people of Papua New Guinea. With these players the people of PNG can hear the Word of God in their own language, even though they may not be able to read it. Each player costs \$30. Banks will be collected on Sunday, Nov. 14.

Volunteers Needed: Gym chaperones (6:00-7:00 p.m.) are still needed for Wednesday nights. See Chris or Debby to fill out a paper on the bulletin board by our office if you can help.

Mennonite Youth Choir: All kids in grades 3-9 (any church affiliation) are invited to sing in the Mennonite Youth Choir Festival on March 5-6, 2022. The 2022 festival will be held right here at First Mennonite Church! Mark your calendars now! Check out more information and/or register at mennoniteyouthchoir.com.

Pastor Appreciation: 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.

Fight Club: Attention—men. If you struggle with pornography you are not alone, so do not struggle alone. Whether you are walking in victory or still struggling, come and minister to one another. No one knows the day, time, or place we will be meeting. This will be totally confidential. If you would like to be a part, call or text Pastor Jeff on his cell, (260) 849-2588, or email him at jeff@firstmennonite.org.

Congratulations and best wishes of the congregation are extended to Lloyd & Carol Neuenschwander, who will be celebrating their 68th wedding anniversary on October 25.