

First Mennonite Church

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And
whatever
you do,
whether
in word
or deed,
do
everything
in the
name of
the Lord
Jesus...

Colossians 3:17

TODAY'S SERVICES

October 25, 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

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

Holy God, We Praise Thy Name/Bish

Welcome

Pastor Jeff Linthicum

* *Agnus Dei*

*#45 [brown] *Crown Him with Many Crowns*

*#16 [brown] *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name*

Children's Story

Chris Hyman

After the story, children ages 4-Kindergarten may walk to Children's Church.

Intercessory Prayer and Offering for E.M.M.

Pastor Bill Helmlinger

Scripture: Colossians 3:12-17

Trace Pfister

Message

Now What?/Pastor Jeff Linthicum

*#568 [brown] *May the Mind of Christ, My Savior* (vs. 1,2,3,5)

*Benediction

Pastor Jeff Linthicum

*Postlude

Fanfare/Lemmens

TODAY AT FIRST MENNONITE

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

9:00 a.m.	Sunday School – Naomi Lehman
5:30 p.m.-6:30 p.m.	Jr. Bible quizzing practice
6:30 p.m.	Robyn Moore – <i>Least of These</i>
8:00 p.m.	Youth Bell Choir – choir room

ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

TUESDAY – October 27

6:30 p.m.	Sunshine Hour (not on livestream; listen on scanner)
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WEDNESDAY – October 28

5:15 p.m.	GraceNotes Bell Choir
6:15 p.m.	Brown Bag Meal (please sign up in the foyer)
6:30 p.m.	Sunshine Hour (not on livestream; listen on scanner)
7:00 p.m.	Chapel: <i>Frontlines: The Armor of God – Rod Ovitt</i>
7:00 p.m.	Elective: <i>The Meaning of Marriage</i> video series in room 15
7:00 p.m.	Prayer Shawl Ministry, Women's Ministries, Quilting

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The menu for Wednesday, October 28: Sloppy Joe sandwich, chips, and dessert.

Jr. Bible Quizzing practice tonight from 5:30-6:30 p.m. Masks will be required. See you there!

Today is Project Share. Our church is requested to provide Soups this month; however, all donations are appreciated.

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.

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.

MISSIONS GLOBES are now available in the patio and on the coat rack near the nursery for children, their families & those interested in contributing to “Terra Kids”, this year’s mission project for the children. Money will go towards providing clean drinking water in Laos. The banks will be collected on **Sunday, Nov. 8.**

Prayer for our missionaries and Mission Festival 2020: This year there will be opportunities for small group prayer meetings in various homes this coming week and the week of Mission Festival. Feel free to sign your name under any host and day that works into your schedule. The sign-up sheets will be available after church today in the foyer.

There are tables in the patio area this coming week and the week of Mission Festival for food donations (large cans) for Fort Wayne Rescue Mission. Thank you for supporting this ministry.

To Fly Again: Surviving the Tailspins of Life is Gracia Burnham's second book. Our church librarian has read it and recommends it as well worth reading. This second book was written several years after "In the Presence of My Enemies". The library owns both the print and audio book. They are on the library table in the foyer.

In pursuit of the Mission Festival theme, "The Cost to Glorify God", Jesus gave bold directions in Luke 10:4. In addition to leaving our purses, shoes, and bags behind...materialistic things that encumber our journey for Christ, we are told "do not greet anyone on the road". This doesn't sound very Christian...to ignore other people. Perhaps a better way to look at this would be "to avoid distractions" as we pursue our relationship and ministry with Christ. We all have distractions. What sidetracks you in moving forward in service and commitment? Maybe you can add yours to the list started by the display in the foyer near HeBrews Coffee. Or maybe it's already on the list. Check and see.

Tuesday morning coffee break (Nov. 3) will be at the church this year due to COVID restrictions at Swiss Village. Come to HeBrews for coffee, juice, and donuts around 9:30 a.m., and then proceed to the chapel for the 10:00 a.m. service with Douglas Bryan, which will also be livestreamed to Swiss Village.

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.

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.

Church Mobile App: If you are interested in helping get a church mobile app up and running, please call the church office or contact a staff member.

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.

28 Marie Nussbaum

The sympathy of the congregation is extended to Bill, Andrew, Joseph and Kendall Beachey and other family in the death of Vickie Beachey on October 20.

Congratulations and best wishes of the congregation are extended to Lloyd & Carole Neuenschwander, who are celebrating their 67th wedding anniversary today.