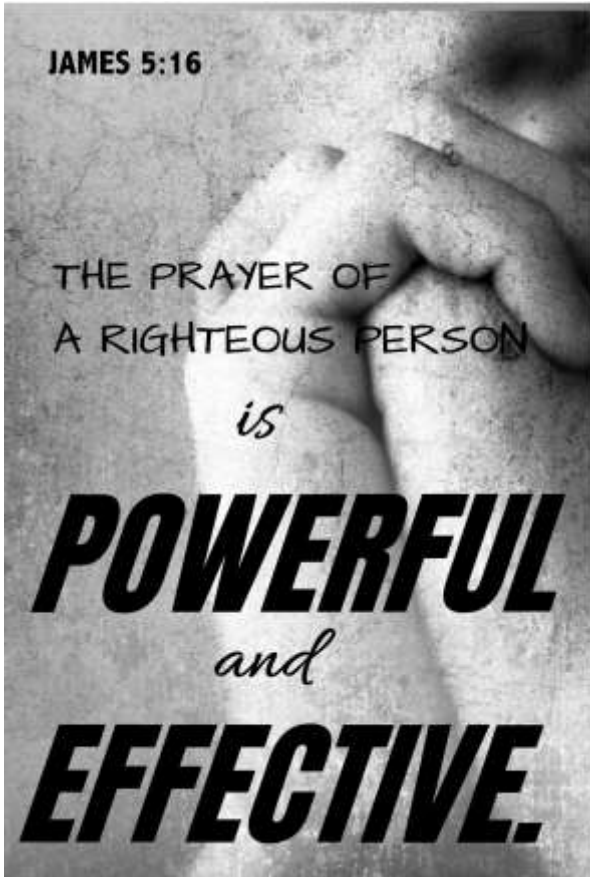


First Mennonite Church

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TODAY'S SERVICES

October 31, 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 - fmcgust

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 – Brent Hyman

- Prelude *Oh That I Had a Thousand Voices/Manz*
- Welcome Brent Hyman
- Introduction of Guest Speaker Sergei Verhovtsev Grant Meyer
- *#815 [brown] *Doxology*
- *James 5:13b
- **House of the Lord*
- *#12 [brown] *Praise Him! Praise Him!*
- Anthem: The Greatness of God Cornell
Chancel Choir
- Children's Story Chris Hyman
After the story, children ages 4-Kindergarten grade may walk to Children's Church.
- Commissioning of new Sunday School Curriculum Pastor Jeff Linthicum
- Scripture: James 5:12-20 Wilmer Sprunger
- Message *Prayer/Pastor Jeff Linthicum*
- *#630 [brown] *What a Friend We Have in Jesus* (vs. 1,2)
- *James 5:16
- #638 [brown] *I Need Thee Every Hour*
- Intercessory Prayer/Offering Pastor Jeff Linthicum
- *#526 [blue] *In the Rifted Rock I'm Resting*
- *Benediction Pastor Jeff Linthicum
- *Postlude *For All the Saints/Vaughn Williams*

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: Reed Lehman (broadcast live)
6:30 p.m. Sergei Verhovtsev (Chapel)
8:00 p.m. Youth Bell Choir

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

ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

MONDAY – November 1

- 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Quilting and comforter knotting

TUESDAY – November 2

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

WEDNESDAY – November 3

- 5:45 p.m. Fellowship Meal
6:10 p.m. Jam and Mennonotes Choir
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: Youth in the Cellar with Part 2 of "Who's Your Authority?"; doors open at 6:00 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

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

Next month is Class 96.

Menu for Wednesday, Nov. 3: Orange chicken, rice, vegetable, fruit, beverage.

Mission Festival offering: All offerings next Sunday will go toward Mission Festival unless the envelope is marked otherwise.

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. We come to worship. However, it is not true worship if we sit passively. Worship involves our "action" in recognizing who God is: Holy, Sovereign, Almighty, Loving and Merciful. This causes us to prepare for worship with repentance as we come before HIM. Then we will sense peace in His presence, expectant of what HE will do. Repentance is yet another "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!

Fort Wayne Rescue Mission Donation: Mission Festival is collecting institutional-size food containers for the Fort Wayne Rescue Mission at the patio next to the ramp. Deadline for this giving will be Sunday evening, Nov. 14. Thank you for your generous support.

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.

Sunday Evening Service: Sergei Verhovtsev will be speaking tonight. 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.

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.

Night in Bethlehem: Mark your calendars—NIGHT IN BETHLEHEM will be happening this year on Sunday, Dec. 12. Be watching for volunteer sign up coming soon!

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.