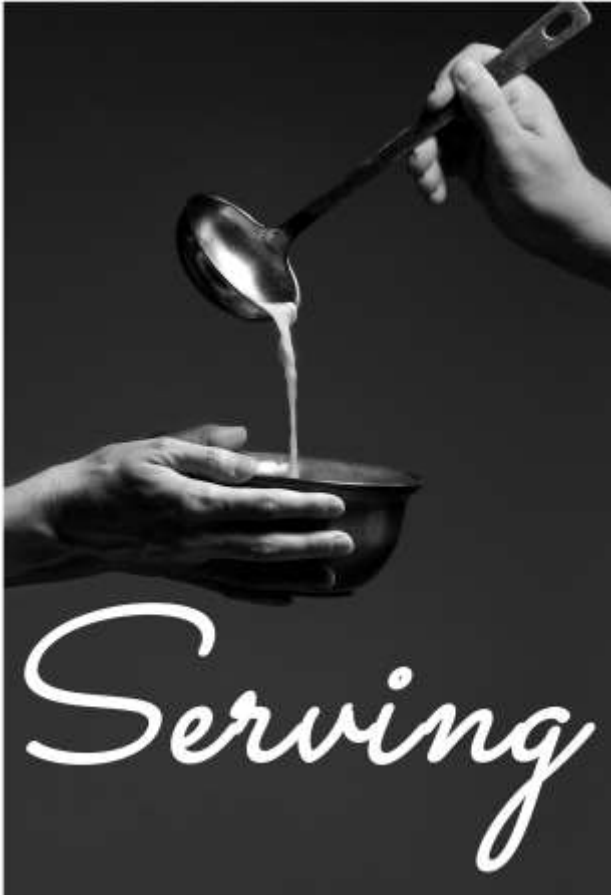


First Mennonite Church

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

July 26, 2020

8:30 a.m. Sunday School - - - 10:00 a.m. Morning Worship
6:30 p.m. Evening Service

Morning worship is broadcast at 10 a.m.

WPGW, Portland, 1440 AM, 100.9 FM - Scanner frequency 161.76

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 --- Dr. Scott Lehman ✦ WORSHIP LEADER --- Brent Hyman

Prelude *Goodness of God*

Welcome Brent Hyman

*#76 [blue] *Praise, I Will Praise You, Lord*

*#147 [brown] *How Great Thou Art*

Offering and Intercessory Prayer Pastor Jim Schwartz

Children's Story Floyd Liechty

#304 [blue] *There Are Many Gifts*

Children Age 4 - Kindergarten may walk to Children's Church.

Scripture: Acts 6:1-7 Jeff Lehman

Message *Serving*/Pastor Jeff Linthicum

*#307 [blue] *Will You Let Me Be Your Servant* (vs. 1,2,5,6)

Mission Moment: MCC 100th Anniversary Jim Eicher

*#369 [blue] *Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service*

Benediction Pastor Jeff Linthicum

*Postlude *Sing to the Great Jehovah's Praise*/Smith

If you would like someone to pray with you following the service, you may call the church office.

TODAY AT FIRST MENNONITE

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

8:30 a.m. Sunday School – Marcia Cressman

6:30 p.m. Mennonite Central Committee Celebration (available via livestream only): mcc.org/gl-centennial-livestream

ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

TUESDAY – July 28

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

WEDNESDAY – July 29

NO EVENING SERVICE

SATURDAY – August 1

8:00 am-Noon das Märkt Market

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Services are still available to watch by livestream for those who are not yet ready to attend services in person. Sunday School (class televised from chapel), Sunday morning worship, Sunday evening and Wednesday evening services will all be livestreamed with live worship and teaching. Link to the live services by clicking on the red *Watch Services Online* button.

Mennonite Central Committee Celebrates 100 Years: Tonight at 6:30pm (live music starts at 6:15pm) you are invited to join via livestream as we offer thanks to God and pray for the future of MCC's ministry of relief, development and peace in the name of Christ. First Mennonite of Berne has supported Mennonite Central Committee's work in showing Christian love and carrying out Jesus' command to love and care for those in need. Our Church has supported MCC with emergency food shipments, clothes and blankets, medical and relief kits, school supplies, and building supplies. We have also funded building dams and various water projects, simple home construction, natural and war-induced disaster aid, the MCC Michiana Relief Sale, and, of course, the annual meat canner.

Thank you, graduates, for sharing your school memories! You may pick your items up from the display table in the foyer before or after the morning worship service.

This Sunday is Project Share. Our church is requested to provide personal hygiene products this month; however, all donations are appreciated.

The Trustees are pleased to announce the upcoming office equipment silent auction. With the church office renovation project complete, it is necessary to get rid of excess items, including desks, file cabinets, chairs, and other items. Three DUNBAR desks lead the list of 50 items for the silent auction.

Viewing and bidder registration begins today, Sunday, July 26. The silent auction will begin Sunday, August 2, with the auction ending Sunday, August 9, after the morning service. Upon registration, bidders will receive a numbered list of items for sale. Bid sheets, by item number, will be on tables close to the office. To bid on an item, simply write your bidder number on the form, along with your bid amount (dollar amounts only). You may bid as many times as you wish. Bidding is open to all persons; the goal is to dispense with items. Bidding will take place anytime the church is open.

During weekdays, bidder registration is in the main office. Viewing of the items will be available throughout the week during regular church office hours; also until 8pm on Tuesdays and Thursdays and 8am-noon on Saturdays. Entrance for viewing is at the southwest entrance. At the completion of the silent auction, bid winners will be contacted. It is hoped items can be removed from the church within one week. For further questions, please contact Dick McKean at (260) 570-3910.

First Mennonite will once again be a drop-off point for masks for the community. All masks donated on the east side will be given to the police station for the public. We will continue to have a mask drop-off inside the west doors for donations for our congregation. While all sizes are needed, we are specifically needing child sizes. THANK YOU for continuing to sew! If you need materials to use, please see Chris Hyman.

The Bottles of Hope event is an easy way for you to participate in the ministry of The Hope Clinic. Just pick up a baby bottle as you leave today and fill it with coins, cash, or checks made payable to The Hope Clinic. Then bring it back to church on **Sunday, August 2.**

Congratulations and best wishes of the congregation are extended to Bryce and Deloris Christy, who are celebrating their 68th anniversary today; to Bud & Carol Lerdal, who are celebrating their 62nd anniversary today; to Dick & Janet McKean, who are celebrating their 54th anniversary on July 30; and to John and Debra Sprunger, who are celebrating their 50th anniversary on August 1.

The sympathy of the congregation is extended to Matt Wheeler, Jennifer Wheeler Ellingwood, Ben Wheeler, Bonnie & Lynn Sprunger, and other family in the death of Sharon Wheeler on July 19.