

# First Mennonite Church

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## TODAY'S SERVICES

September 26, 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](http://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 --- Brent Hyman

Prelude *Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven/Diemer*

Welcome Brent Hyman

\*#215 [brown] *When Morning Gilds the Skies* (vs. 1,2,4)

\*#210 [brown] *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*

\**Great Are You, Lord*

Children's Story Lana Shoaf

After the story, children ages 4-5<sup>th</sup> grade may walk to Children's Church.

Intercessory Prayer/Offering Michael Mosser

Anthem: *Prayer for Our Time* Martin

Chancel Choir

(the congregation is invited to sing vs. 3 on cue—see insert)

Scripture: James 3:1-12 Kathy Fox

Message *Taming the Tongue/Pastor Jim Schwartz*

\*#667 [brown] *Lord, Speak to Me*

\*Announcements

\*Benediction Pastor Jim Schwartz

\*Postlude *On Our Way Rejoicing/Hamilton*

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: Darren Kloeppe (broadcast live)

**6:30 p.m.** Thavisith Mounsithiraj (Chapel)

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

**The flowers** this morning are provided by Dave & Sue Wulliman in honor of their 52<sup>nd</sup> wedding anniversary.

## ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

### TUESDAY – September 28

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

### WEDNESDAY – September 29

**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: Gospel Series Practice – Story Time

**7:00 p.m.** Parables: Windows into God's Kingdom by Dr. Matt Harmon

**7:00 p.m.** Freedom from Tyranny of the Urgent led by Malcolm Stauffer (Room 16)

**7:00 p.m.** Prayer Shawl Ministry, Women's Ministries and Quilting

**8:15 p.m.** Chancel Choir rehearsal

### SATURDAY – October 2

**9:00 am-Noon** das Märkt Market

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Wednesday Meal Set-Up:** On Tuesdays for the month of September, the Koinonia Class is responsible for setting up tables for the Wednesday evening meals. **Next month is the Young Believers class.**

**Menu for Wednesday, Sept. 29:** Tacos, applesauce, dessert and beverages.

**World Communion Sunday:** We will be celebrating World Communion Sunday next Sunday, October 3.

**Kids Wednesday Programming: Elementary** will be in the gym doing "Talent Training" – are you using your gifts for the stage or for the Kingdom? Various people from the congregation will share their special gifts and talents (sailing, dog training, dancing, baking, sewing, etc.) with kids and share how they are using these gifts to further His Kingdom. If you have a talent you would like to share, please see Chris today! **Preschool (ages 4-K)** will be at the bottom of the ramp for a fun-filled adventure through the Bible with Topher the Gopher and his friends, beginning with the Silly Sound Factory – learning God's promises in the Old Testament. God always keeps his promises! **Ages 0-3** will be in the toddler nursery. The gym will be open from 6:00-7:00 p.m. Kids choir (K-4<sup>th</sup> grade) is at 6:10 p.m. in Room 7.

**Handel's Messiah rehearsals:** Singers are invited to join the Mennonite Choral Society on Tuesday, October 5, at 7:00 p.m. to begin rehearsals in preparation for the December rendition of *Handel's Messiah*. Rehearsals will continue weekly through November 30, with a final rehearsal on Friday, December 3. Performances will be Saturday, December 4 and Sunday, December 5.

**Adams County Strong:** Parents, mark your calendars!! Adams County Strong will present the author of "How to Have a New Kid by Friday", Dr. Kevin Leman, LIVE over two days—October 2-3.

**New Wednesday Elective:** Parents – a new elective will begin on October 6 on Wednesday nights. Based on Dr. Kevin Leman's book, *How to Have a New Kid by Friday*, Pastor Jim will lead a six-week video-based class with discussion. This class is approved for face-to-face foster care credit and professional growth points for teachers in Adams County.

**Volunteers Needed:** Gym chaperones (6:00-7:00 p.m.) and toddler nursery (7:00-8:00 p.m.) help is needed for Wednesday nights. See Chris or Debby or fill out a paper on the bulletin board by our office if you can help.

**Missionary Showcase:** The foyer showcase will be featuring past and present missionaries from our church who have served the Lord in the mission field. If you have served, or have family members who have served, please supply the church office with a 5 x 7 photo.

**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](mailto:jeff@firstmennonite.org).

**Congratulations** and best wishes of the congregation are extended to Dave & Sue Wulliman, who will be celebrating their 52<sup>nd</sup> wedding anniversary on September 22; and to Wilmer & Kenlyn Sprunger, who will be celebrating their 61<sup>st</sup> wedding anniversary on October 1.

**The sympathy** of the congregation is extended to Doug & Candace Bauman and other family and friends in the death of Candace's father, John Parrish, on September 22.

**The prayers** and best wishes of the congregation are extended to Seth and Annie (Mounsithiraj) Ringger, who were married here at the church this past Friday.

## YOUTH

**Four-Week Gospel Series:** The GOSPEL – What Is It and How Do We Share It? The youth are continuing a four-week Gospel series on Wednesday nights. Being a Christian is about so much more than just praying a prayer. It's about living and speaking Jesus where we are, and giving Him our lives. But do we really know WHY His GOSPEL is good news?