

# First Mennonite Church

566 West Main Street, Berne, Indiana 46711

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## **TODAY'S SERVICES**

September 6, 2020

9:00 a.m. Sunday School - - - 10:00 a.m. Morning Worship

**NO 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

*Dona Nobis Pacem/Mozart*

Welcome

Brent Hyman

\*#492 [brown] *At Calvary*

\*#355 [brown] *There's a Wideness in God's Mercy* (vs. 1,2)

#327 [blue] *Great Is Thy Faithfulness* (vs. 1)

\**Goodness of God*

Scripture: Acts 9:36-42 and John 8:3-11

Allison Sprunger

Special Music: *He Giveth More Grace*

Rick Sprunger, Scott Lehman, Tom Fox, Mark Neuenschwander, Brent Hyman  
Children age 4 – 5<sup>th</sup> grade may walk to Children's Church.

Message

*Mercy/Pastor Jim Schwartz*

\*#175 [brown] *O Lord, Our Lord* (vs. 1)

\*#604 [brown] *I Then Shall Live* (vs. 1,2)

Prayer and Share/Offering

Neal Reusser

\*#691 [brown] *Surely Goodness and Mercy* (refrain)

\*Benediction

Pastor Jim Schwartz

\*Postlude

*You Are Good*

## TODAY AT FIRST MENNONITE

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

9:00 a.m. Sunday School – Marcia Cressman

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## ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

**TUESDAY – September 8**

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

**WEDNESDAY – September 9**

7:00 p.m. Chapel: *Asking the Right Questions* – Dr. Matthew Harmon, professor of New Testament Studies, Grace College and Theological Seminary

7:00 p.m. Family Fun!!! Parking Lot Parables and Limberlost Diner Food Truck

**SATURDAY – September 12**

9:00 a.m.-Noon das Märit 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.

**Sunday School classes** begin meeting this morning at 9 a.m. Check with your teachers if you have any questions about your class.

**If you'd like** a copy of Dr. Matthew Harmon's book, *Asking the Right Questions*, please contact Pastor Jim.

**Due to COVID** restrictions, there will be no Wednesday evening meals in the fall quarter. This will be reevaluated for the winter quarter.

**Crafts ready** for the 2020 Michiana sale will be available for sale on Saturday, September 12, at Das Märit Market. Help support the sale in a different way this year. All proceeds go to MCC.

**Friends at First Mennonite Church:** Thank you for your continued support through your baby bottle collection. The updated amount raised by your church is \$2,129.67. Thank you! From your friends at The Hope Clinic.

**Anyone interested** in going to the Cincinnati church plant's first service on September 13, please sign up in the foyer. For any questions, please contact Pastor Jeff.

**Remember to pick up** your Quarter Towers from the table in the hallway for our My Coins Count project for the Michiana Relief Sale. They will be collected September 27.

**Parking Lot Parables:** Bring your family, a Bible, and a blanket or chairs to the east parking lot on Wednesday nights in September at 7pm. One of Jesus' many parables will be taught, and fun family games and activities will be offered. Items needed for games will be individualized for each family, so please sign up in the foyer so we know how many bags to prepare!

**Food Trucks:** Every Wednesday in September we will have a food truck in the east parking lot! You may purchase food from 4:30pm-6:30pm. Bring your own chairs and social distance yourselves in the parking lot. Drive-thru is available if the weather does not permit outdoor dining. For this Wednesday, Sept. 9, we have the Limberlost Diner! Tenderloins, grilled chicken, pulled pork, burgers, fries or coleslaw, and drinks. Prices vary. If you are coming for Parking Lot Parables, KIDS EAT FREE – see Chris or Debby for your vouchers! Then plan to stay for Parking Lot Parables, Youth, or Chapel with Matt Harmon – all classes start at 7pm.

**Sunday, November 1,** is the first Sunday of FMC's Mission Festival. On that first Sunday our special guest speaker will be Gracia Burnham. You may remember that Gracia and her husband, Martin, were held hostage by a militant group in the Southern Philippines for over one year. Martin's life was taken during a rescue operation. Gracia wrote the riveting story of their journey in the book, "In the Presence of My Enemies". Six of her books were purchased and began circulating in our congregation before COVID began. If you have one of the books in your possession, please pass it on to a friend or return it to Tad or Barb Wulliman so others can share in this true journey of God's grace.

**Spiritual Guidance Cabinet** would like to offer a prayer for healing as well as anointing with oil to anyone struggling with health issues. James 5:14-15. Contact Darin Ringger, 260-820-0191.

**Congratulations** and best wishes of the congregation are extended to Fred & Sonia Lehman, who are celebrating their 61<sup>st</sup> wedding anniversary today; also to Fred & Elsie Wulliman, who will celebrate their 55<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on September 11.

**The sympathy** of the congregation is extended to Deloris Christy, Rick & June Liechty, Kent Christy, Dave Christy and other family in the death of Bryce Christy on August 30.