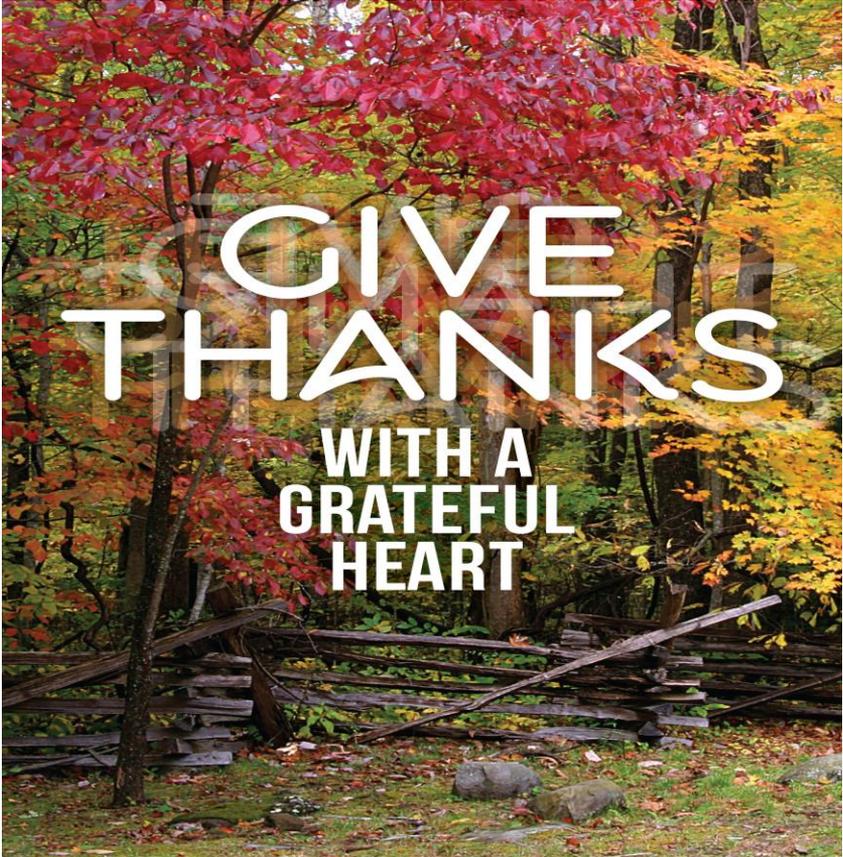


First Mennonite Church

566 West Main Street, Berne, Indiana 46711

260-589-3108



TODAY'S SERVICES

October 21, 2018

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.

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

ORGANIST --- Dr. Scott Lehman †- WORSHIP LEADER --- Brent Hyman

Prelude *What a Friend We Have in Jesus/Hegarty*

Welcome Brent Hyman

*#151 [brown] *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*

**Friend of God*

*James 2:23

**What a Friend*

Intercessory Prayer Bill Beachey

Prayer Shawl Blessing Jeanne Stauffer

#563 [brown] *Open My Eyes That I May See* (vs. 1,2)

Children age 4-Grade 4 may walk to children's church.

Scripture: Proverbs 9:7-9; Proverbs 27:5-6 Lana Shoaf

Message *Wounds Can Be Good* /Pastor Jeff Linthicum

Special Music: *If We're Honest* Battistelli

Hannah Taing

Offering Prayer Naomi Lehman

Offertory: *Immortal, Invisible* Sherman

Grace Notes

Guests, please fill out the cards in the pew and drop in the offering plate.

Announcements

*Benediction Pastor Jeff Linthicum

*Postlude *Postlude in G/Kihlken*

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

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

The flowers this morning are in honor of Orlando Sprunger's 97th birthday, which was October 20, and have been provided by his family.

6:30 p.m. Evening Service–sanctuary. Dr. Scott Lehman - organ concert.

8:00 p.m. Youth Bell Choir (7th-12th grades)

ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

TUESDAY – October 23

6:30 p.m. Sunshine Hour

6:30 p.m. Prayer with a Pastor – Prayer room

7:00 p.m. Mennonite Choral Society

WEDNESDAY – October 24

NO EVENING ACTIVITIES OR MEAL THIS WEEK DUE TO FALL BREAK

ANNOUNCEMENTS

On Tuesdays for the month of October, the Young Believers Class will be responsible for setting up tables for the Wednesday evening meals.

NO WEDNESDAY EVENING MEAL OR ACTIVITIES DUE TO FALL BREAK

Change of date for communion at Swiss Village: Communion will be held on October 23 at 9 a.m. in the main auditorium.

Next Sunday is Project Share. Our church is requested to provide soups this month, however, all donations are appreciated.

Still Needed: Elementary Children's Church helper (once a month). See Chris or Debby if you can help!

After 30 years, we still have an inventory of Our Swiss Pantry II. Remaining cookbooks will be available in the foyer starting the first Sunday in November and will continue until the end of the month. There will be no charge for the cookbooks. However, donations will be accepted and will be given to missions.

Missions Festival Intentional Prayer Experience- The Witness Commission invites you to come and take some time to pray intentionally for our missionaries and missions around the world. There are more than 6,000 people groups that have yet to encounter Jesus. Many of them are having dreams and visions that usher them into relationship with Jesus. Come be a part of the powerhouse of prayer that is fighting spiritual warfare on behalf of the lost. This will be available from 4 pm Sunday, November 4, through 4 pm Sunday, November 11.

Scripture Memory program – The 2019 Scripture Memory program begins in January. There is a memory plan for any age, including a wonderful ABC memory book for young children, starting at age 3. Those who develop this habit throughout their lives never regret it. To enroll for the 2019 program, call Judy at the church office [589-3108] by Oct. 28. Cost is \$2 for materials.

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 the Gideons. 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.

October 28th is our Harvest Party at Fellowship Point from 5 pm to 8 pm. There will be chili, s'mores, and hot cocoa provided. Girls bring chips and guys bring a 2 liter of pop. Activities will include 9 square, spikeball, bonfire, hayride, and more. Backup location in case of rain is the Family Life Center.

November 2-3 is Recharge Youth All-Nighter in Ohio. Cost is \$10. Forms and money can be turned in at youth and church. Deadline for a shirt is October 22nd. Deadline to go is October 28th. Need to know if your child is going, if they aren't signed up yet, to make sure we have seats available.

Are you interested in learning more about homeschooling? A home education information meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 23, at 7:00 pm in the Social Corner at Swiss Village. Come get your questions answered and learn about the rules and regulations of homeschooling in Indiana. If you have questions, contact Rachelle Tonner at 260-223-4846.

God calls us to encourage each other. Here is a list of October birthdays for missionaries and church staff. A basket will be placed in the foyer in which you may place cards for them, and these will be sent for you.

28 Marie Nussbaum

Congratulations and best wishes of the congregation are extended to Lloyd & Carol Neuenschwander, who will celebrate their 65th wedding anniversary on October 25.

Date to remember: December 9, 6:30 p.m. Children's Christmas Program

(If you have not signed the petition for Thom In't Groen to be able to stay in the United States, and would like to, there are papers in the foyer on a table for you to sign.)