

## ANNOUNCEMENTS *and* BIRTHDAYS

**BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK:** Hannah Lake-Rayburn (MON), Liz Mallott (TUE)

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**TODAY** at the end of worship – Affirmation ballots for the new Council slate will be distributed and voted on.

**TODAY** at 1:30 pm at FMC – Dannie Otto gives a presentation on his recent trip to Iran.

**TODAY** – Newsletter submissions for the February VINE are due to the new editor, Alexandra Bidner ([aabidner@gmail.com](mailto:aabidner@gmail.com)).

**Monday, January 16, 1-5 pm - Retiree Game Day at the home of Phyllis Croisant, 1506 Waverly Drive, C.** Please let Tammie Bouseman know if you plan to attend. Bring your favorite games and some kind of finger food snack to share.

**Sunday, January 22 at Noon – Potluck & MYF dessert fundraiser.** Join us for lunch before our annual meeting (1 pm). Bring a main dish, salad, fruit, or bread to share. **The high school youth (MYF) will provide dessert (donations are appreciated) to help raise funds to attend the upcoming MC USA Youth Convention in Orlando, FL this summer.**

**Sunday, January 22 at 1 pm – FMC Annual Congregational meeting.** Join us to review the year, approve a new spending plan for 2017, and get a first look at some of our priorities for the coming year. *Child care will be provided.*

**February 3 – One Winter Night, CU at Home’s annual box-dweller fundraiser.** On behalf of FMC, Phil Martens and Bonnie Schneider will spend the night in boxes in downtown Champaign. Ask one of them about it and look for the link to a fundraising web-page. Last year’s FMC participants raised over \$3,600.

**February 10-11 – “Into the Neighborhood: Restoring our Imagination for Mission” seminar at Menno Haven.** Sponsored by the IMC. More information is on the bulletin board near the back door. Contact Pastor Michael if you are interested in attending.

**SAVE  
DATE**

**Our annual FMC Menno Night Dinner and Talent Show will be held the evening of February 11<sup>th</sup>.** Details and sign-up opportunities in the coming weeks. High school youth and adults are welcome to attend. Stars are born at this event, so rev up your talent. If you see an emcee opportunity in your future, talk with Marcia Nelson.

**Are you interested in volunteering for the Habitat Interfaith Build? Sign-up online as individuals at: <http://cuhabitat.org/volunteer/>.** Ten volunteers will be needed at each home on each designated building day starting in March (mostly Fridays and Saturdays). With 23 faith groups involved, the available slots may fill-up rapidly.

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## Celebration *of* Worship

January 8, 2017

### GATHERING

**Centering chimes**

**Lighting of solidarity lamp** - *The lamp symbolizes our Sister Church relationship with El Divino Redentor.*

**Prelude**

**Welcome & prayer**

**Call to worship**

Leader: This is the place and this is the time: here and now God waits to break into our experience:

**Congregation: To change our minds, to change our lives, to change our ways;**

Leader: To make us see the world and the whole of life in a new light;

**Congregation: To fill us with hope, joy, and certainty for the future.**

Leader: This is the place, as are all places; this is the time, as are all times.

**Congregation: O God of this place, and every place, God of this time, and all time, here and now, we praise you, we listen for you, we choose to follow you. Amen.**

**\*Hymnal #1**

“What is this place”

**\*Passing the peace**

### PRAISING & PROCLAIMING

**\*Hymnal #521**

“Come, thou fount”

**\*Green songbook #14**

“Lord Jesus, you shall be my song”

**Children’s story and offering** (*please pass the welcome pads*)

**Scripture:**

**Isaiah 42:1-9** (*page 657*)

**Matthew 3:13-17** (*page 881*)

**Sermon**

*Saturated with God’s hope for a just peace*

\*Hymnal #372

Offering (prayer cards collected)

Offertory

Sharing and prayers of the people

“O healing river”

SENDING

Introductions of guests

Work of the church (please come to the front if you have an announcement)

\*Green songbook #108

“Give thanks for life”

\*Benediction

\*Stand if you are able

Thanks to our worship and welcome teams...

Worship leader – George Ordal  
Song leader – Kathy Springer  
Piano – Tina Huang  
Children’s story – Peter Dyck  
Scripture reader – Matt Klopfenstein  
Sermon, sharing & prayer – Pastor Michael  
Visuals – Rachel Horst Lehman

Greeters – Chris Lubienski, Cynthia Nafziger, Jan Sabey  
Sound system – Emerson Nafziger  
Refreshments – Sam Cox & Samuel Flannigan  
Worship nursery – Mary Biddle & Phil Martens  
Stewards – Emerson Nafziger & Dannie Otto

Next Sunday at First Mennonite

Worship leader – Sam Cox  
Music – Worship Band  
Children’s story – Rebecca Bare  
Scripture reader – Lesley Deem  
Sermon, sharing & prayer – Pastor Deb  
Visuals – Rachel Horst Lehman

Greeters – Chris Lubienski, Cynthia Nafziger, Jan Sabey  
Sound system – Emerson Nafziger  
Refreshments – Steve Rayburn & Dan Schreiber  
Worship nursery – Sheryl Dyck & Anthony Schreiber  
Stewards – Emerson Nafziger & Dannie Otto

Welcome, Guests

It is a joy to welcome you into our midst! We pray that God meets you as we worship together this morning and that our church family helps you feel at home. Join us down-stairs for refreshments after the service so that we can get to know you.

Hearing assisted devices are available from the greeters. T-coil enabled and standard over-ear devices are available.

Childcare for children birth through preschool is available downstairs during worship and the education hour.

Our current children’s offering benefits the Jubilee Partners community for refugees in Comer, GA.

Join us after the service for...

FELLOWSHIP HOUR – 10:45

You are welcome to stay for refreshments and conversation downstairs after the service. A snack is available for children.

CLASSES FOR ALL AGES – 11:15 AM

All are welcome to attend any Sunday.

Quarterly Adult Classes (Dec - Feb)

Church & Empire – sanctuary

Co-creators: Art in/as Worship – library

Ongoing Adult Discussion Groups (year-round)

Coffee and Conversation – Room 5 (downstairs)

Knit and Nurture – Nursery (downstairs)

Young Adults – Room 13 (downstairs)

Children & Youth Classes (downstairs)

Pre-K (ages 2-6 yrs) – Room 6 Junior High – Room 3

Grade K-5 – Room 10/11 High School - Room 7

(Nursery care provided for children birth through preschool)

Did you know? The JYF room has a new look! Take a peek at the newly installed flooring and freshly painted south wall.

THIS WEEK at FMC

For a full listing of events, visit our website at [www.fmc-cu.org](http://www.fmc-cu.org)

SUN 9:15 AM Worship  
10:45 AM Fellowship & refreshment  
11:15 AM Sunday school for all ages  
12:00 PM Hospitality & Fellowship Committee  
1:30 PM Dannie Otto presents on Iran trip  
February Vine submissions due to Alexandra Bidner ([aabidner@gmail.com](mailto:aabidner@gmail.com))

MON Annual committee reports due to FMC office

TUE 6:30 PM Taizé service: singing, meditation, prayers for peace & justice for the world. All are welcome!

WED 6:00 PM Joint 2016/2017 Council meeting

THU 6:45 AM Early morning Bible study  
6:00 PM Service & Outreach Committee  
Pastor peer meeting 9 am-Noon in Normal, IL

UPCOMING

SUN 9:05 AM Pre-service singing  
15 9:15 AM Worship  
10:45 AM Fellowship & refreshments  
11:15 AM Sunday school for all ages

MON 1-5 PM Retiree Game Day at Phyllis Croisant’s  
16 home

THU 6:45 AM Early morning Bible study  
19 6:00 PM Christian Education Committee  
7:00 PM Ten Thousand Villages Board

FRI 5-9 PM FMC reserved (non-FMC event)  
20 JYF winter retreat at Menno Haven (Fri-Sun)

SUN 12:00 PM Potluck/MYF dessert fundraiser  
22 1:00 PM FMC Annual Congregational meeting