

ANNOUNCEMENTS *and* BIRTHDAYS

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK: Mary Hays (MON)

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This Thursday, February 2, 9:30 am at FMC – Thursday morning Bible study resumes. All are invited for a time of study, fellowship, sharing, and prayer. We will study the Gospel of Matthew.

This Friday, 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. Donate to their cause at: <http://www.cuathome.us/one-winter-night-2017/participants-2/philip-martens-and-bonnie-baggins-scneider/>. Their goal is to raise \$1,000 each to help fight homelessness in our community.

Next Sunday February 5th - Young adult fellowship and stocking food bags. Meet at the south end of the parking lot of Meijer in Urbana to shop at 5:30 pm. Afterwards, join us for a potluck at the Sutters' home (306 E Sherwin Circle) at 6:30 pm. Call Deb if you need a ride: 369-6142.

Saturday, February 11, 6 pm at Hawthorne Suites in Champaign – Talent will abound as usual at our 43rd Annual Menno Night Dinner and Talent Show. The evening is for adults and High School youth. Suggested contribution - \$22. Pay as you are able, as the dinner is for all. Choose from Shells Florentine (vegetarian) or Honey Mustard Chicken (gluten-free). More details can be found on the sign-up sheet in the fellowship hall or at our online sign-up: <http://tinyurl.com/zzyb3fl>. **The deadline for signing up is Monday, February 1. Samuel Flannigan will host the evening and is waiting for your call** to round out the talent roster. Please contact emcee Samuel Flannigan at leonemusical@gmail.com to offer music, humor, drama, poetry, etc. for the talent show.

The Hospitality and Fellowship Committee coordinates meals of assistance for those needing a hand due to illness, new babies, etc. If you signed up for this on the work of the church form, the committee has your name, but if you did not and would like to be added, let Marcia know at sunboat@soltec.net.

Thanks to FMC's generosity, we collected \$4,865 for the Everence/Lilly Foundation pastoral student loan assistance program last fall, which allowed us to send the maximum (\$3,000) contribution for 2016, and to retain \$1865 for our 2017 contribution. Our contributions are matched by the Everence/Lilly program, and if we make the full \$3,000 contribution this spring, Pastor Michael's student loans will be paid in full! If you would like to contribute toward the final \$1,135 needed for 2017, please place your contributions in the offering plate or give to the FMC Office or Phyllis Croisant by March 1. If more than \$1,135 is collected, any extra will be placed in the FMC Mutual Aid fund. For those interested in more information about this student loan program, see <http://mennoniteusa.org/resource/lilly-endowment-pastoral-financial-assistance/> or talk with Sarah Lubinski.

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Celebration *of* Worship

January 29, 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
***Green songbook #9** “Come, now is the time to worship”
***Passing the peace**

PRAISING & PROCLAIMING

***Hymnal #46** “I sing the mighty power of God”
Hymnal #35 “Many and great, O God”
Children’s story and offering (*please pass the welcome pads*)
Scripture:
Micah 6:1-8 (*page 850*)
1 Corinthians 1:18-31 (*page 1040*)
Sermon *Playing the fool, with humility*

RESPONDING

***Hymnal #369** “Lord, whose love in humble service”
Offering (*prayer cards collected*)
Offertory
Sharing and prayers of the people

SENDING

Introductions of guests

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

- *Purple songbook #45 "Calm me, Lord"
- *Benediction

*Stand if you are able

Thanks to our worship and welcome teams...

Worship leader – Randy Nelson
Song leader – Andrea Welty Peachey
Piano – Pastor Deb
Children’s story – Bruce Miller
Scripture reader – Sheree Flannigan
Sermon, sharing & prayer – Pastor Michael
Visuals – Rachel Horst Lehman

Greeters – Chris Lubienski, Cynthia Nafziger, Jan Sabey
Sound system – Emerson Nafziger
Refreshments – Keith & Kathy Springer
Worship nursery – Chuck Gibson & TBD
Stewards – Emerson Nafziger & Dannie Otto

Next Sunday at First Mennonite: Communion will be held

Worship leader – Cindy Breeze
Song leader – Bev Birkey Potts
Piano – Pastor Deb
Children’s story – Randy Nelson
Scripture reader – Laura Brenneman
Sermon – Sarah Lubienski
Sharing & prayer – Pastor Michael
Visuals – Art in Worship Sunday school class

Greeters – Emily Gibson, Mary Krick, Laurence Koehn
Sound system – TBD
Refreshments – Tammie Bouseman & Jan Sabey
Worship nursery – Barb Shenk & Pam Peña Martin
Stewards – Tom Anderson & Randy Nelson

HABITAT INTERFAITH BUILD NEWS



Sign up online at <http://cuhabitat.org/volunteer/> if you are interested in volunteering for the Habitat Interfaith Build. Ten volunteers will be needed at the O’Bannon and Blackwell-Parker homes on each designated building day starting in March (mostly Fridays and Saturdays).

February 19 – Our family partners, the O’Bannons and Blackwell-Parkers, will join us for worship.

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 sermon and scripture portions of the service are uploaded to our website each week, typically on Wednesdays.

THIS WEEK at FMC

For a full listing of events, visit our website at [8](#)

SUN 9:30 AM potluck brunch & fellowship
10:45 AM Worship

MON 1:00 PM Library Committee

WED 5:45 PM Property & Finance Committee

THU 6:45 AM Early morning Bible study
9:30 AM Thursday morning Bible study resumes
5:30 PM Service & Outreach Committee

FRI 8:30 AM Coffee at Harvest Market on S. Neil

SAT 12:30 PM FMC reserved for recital until 3 PM

UPCOMING

SUN 9:05 AM Early morning singing
5 9:15 AM Worship & Communion
(Sarah Lubienski is our guest preacher)
10:45 AM Fellowship & refreshments
11:15 AM Sunday school for all ages
12:30 PM Pastoral Support Committee
5:30 PM Young adult potluck/food bag shopping
DEADLINE FOR MENNO NIGHT RESERVATIONS

WED 6:00 PM FMC Council
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THU 6:45 AM Early morning Bible study
9 9:30 AM Thursday morning Bible study
9:00 AM Pastor Peer mtg. in Normal, IL
5:00 PM Christian Education Committee

SAT 6:00 PM Menno Night at Hawthorne Suites
11 (reservations required by Feb. 5)

SUN Vine submissions due to Alexandra Bidner
12 (send items to: aabidner@gmail.com)