

ANNOUNCEMENTS *and* BIRTHDAYS

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK: Rhonda Gibson (SUN), Rebecca Bare (WED), Tom Sutter (FRI)

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TODAY during fellowship hour – Pie will be served and donations accepted for the One Winter Night fundraiser.

TODAY, February 5 - 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.

Monday, February 6, 2017 – Deadline for signing up for Menno Night.

Saturday, February 11, 6 pm at Hawthorne Suites in Champaign –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. See details 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 TODAY. Samuel Flannigan will host the evening.** Contact him (leonemusical@gmail.com) if you have an act for the talent show.

Sunday, February 19 - The O'Bannon and Blackwell-Parker families will join us for worship. We are partnering with these families and other houses of worship to build their new homes (Habitat Interfaith Build).

Monday, February 20, 6 pm - Women's Night Out. All women are invited out for an evening of food, fun, and fellowship at Kohinoor Restaurant (Indian food), Champaign. Meal entrees are moderately priced (\$8-12). Sign up downstairs. Questions? Contact Marcia, 359-0034.

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 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.

Saturday, March 4, 9:45 am - 3 pm at FMC - CDC Regional gathering "Abounding in Love...Abiding in Grace". The gathering is a time for worship, fellowship, and a taste of the CDC annual meeting in June. Our Regional Gatherings are a wonderful opportunity to develop face-to-face relationships with others in the CDC community. We ask that those eating lunch bring a donation to help cover the cost of providing the meal. Please let the FMC office know by February 19 if you plan to attend.

Want to get a "welcome your neighbor sign" like the one in our FMC yard? We have ordered 50 signs and they will be available to anyone in the community. Signs can be purchased through the office for \$10 and should arrive at FMC within 1-2 weeks.

We wish to thank our church family for all of the expressions of care and concern you have showered us with over the last month. The cards, flowers, visits, prayers and food were greatly appreciated. We have felt supported and loved during this time of surgery and recuperation. - *Kathy & Tom Anderson*

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Celebration of Worship

February 5, 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: O come, let us sing...

People: and hum and dance and clap our hands!

Leader: Come, let us make a joyful noise
and with a thousand tongues sing praises...

Women: to the One who forms us;

Men: to the One who knows our innermost thoughts;

Women: to the One who calls us by name;

Men: to the One whose right hand holds us fast.

Leader: Come into God's presence with thanksgiving...

**People: for in God's hands are the depths of the earth
and the heights of the mountains!**

ALL: Praise be to God , the rock of our salvation!

***Hymnal #81** "Oh, for a thousand tongues to sing"

***Passing the peace**

PRAISING & PROCLAIMING

***Hymnal #151** "Marvelous grace of our loving Lord"

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

Scripture:

Job 11:7-9 (*page 452*)

Psalms 139:1-12, 17-24 (*page 566*)

Sermon Our uncountably infinite God

