

ANNOUNCEMENTS *and* BIRTHDAYS

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK: Jan Kellogg (SAT)

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TODAY during fellowship hour (and next Sunday, too) – Pictures taken for the FMC bulletin board. Mark Evans will be available in the library to take your picture (or update your picture) for the FMC bulletin board.

TODAY at Noon – Young adults are invited to have lunch together at FMC.

TODAY from 4-5:30 pm – Join us for a sing-along with our 5th Sunday friends at Salem Baptist Church, 500 E Park St, C. Participating churches will share some favorite songs. If possible, bring a snack to share.

Tomorrow, March 6, 1 – 5 pm at the home of Sue Biddle (1503 Broadmoor Dr, Unit A, Champ.) – Retiree Game Day. Bring games and finger food to share! Let Tammie Bouseman know if you are coming.

Friday, March 17 through Saturday, March 18 – Illinois Mennonite Relief Sale in Bloomington, IL. This fundraiser for Mennonite Central Committee features lots of great homemade food and auctions for both adults and children. Details are on the bulletin board and flyers are downstairs to take home.

Saturday, March 25 - The Welty Peachey's will be moving from their house on Clayton Blvd to 2110 Galen Dr. (both are Champaign addresses). Breakfast provided! Please let them know if you can help.

Needed: Volunteers to provide lunch for 35 during the Habitat Interfaith Build on March 24. Sign-up downstairs after worship. Questions? Talk to Clark Breeze.

Join us this Lent in creating a shared online journal of the things that make us feel alive. Our Lenten theme is *Enliven Us, O God*, with a different emphasis each week. Read the insert for details.

Saturday, April 1, 6 pm at Yoder's Kitchen, Arthur, IL – Arthur Mennonite Relief Sale Kick-Off Dinner and musical program. For dinner reservations contact Cynthia Nafziger (398-4097 or cynafziger@hotmail.com) by March 19th. **If you would like to support this effort** by sponsoring one of the tables at the dinner (\$100 for full or \$50 for ½ table), let Cynthia know. Checks can be made out to Arthur Mennonite Relief Sale and given to Cynthia or Emerson.

Next Sunday *at* First Mennonite (Lent 2 - We wonder)

Worship leader – Jan Sabey
Song leader – Jill Schreiber
Piano – Ruth Stoltzfus
Children's story – Lynne Sancken
Scripture readers – Chris Lubienski & Laura Brenneman
Sermon, sharing & prayer – Pastor Michael
Visuals – Matt Yoder

Greeters – Rebecca Bare, Greg Sancken, George Ordal
Sound system – Phil Martens
Refreshments – Cynthia & Emerson Nafziger
Worship nursery – David Horst Lehman & Janet Liechty
Stewards – Chuck Gibson & George Ordal

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Celebration *of* Worship

Lent 1

Enliven us, O God: We hunger

March 5, 2017

Slide show
Centering chimes

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

Prelude

Welcome & prayer

Call to worship hymn

"What is this place" (hymnal #1)

Confession and words of assurance

Leader: God of abundance, you have given us a world that has more than we need.
We confess that we forget how to use and care for what we have been given.
We allow ourselves to be distracted by things we do not need. We forget our best hunger.

(Pause for silent confession)

Leader: God of abundance and hunger,
All: Satisfy the places in which we feel hunger for shallow things.
Leader: God of abundance and hunger,
All: Fill us with a longing for the justice and care you wish for the world.
Leader: God of abundance and hunger,
All: Help us carry places in life where we might be empty, knowing you care for our pain.

Passing the peace

***Hymnal #59**

"Sing praise to God who reigns"

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

Scripture

Isaiah 58:6-12 *(page 674)*

Matthew 4:1-11 *(page 881)*

Sermon

*Purple songbook #36

The Lord’s Supper (bring your offering forward during communion)

Green songbook # 86

All are welcome at the Lord’s Table. The bread is gluten-free and water is available for those with grape juice allergies. Those not yet baptized are encouraged to participate by eating the bread and passing the juice. Come and partake as the Spirit leads.

Sharing and prayers of the people

Introduction of guests

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

*Green songbook #29

Benediction

Giving up power in the unkindom of God

“Jesus, tempted in the desert”

“Taste and see”

*Stand if you are able



Thanks to our worship and welcome teams...

- Worship leader – Matt Yoder
- Song leader – Andrea Welty Peachey
- Piano – Liz Mallott
- Children’s story – Karla Minter
- Scripture readers – Bob King & Steve Rayburn
- Sermon, sharing & prayer – Pastor Michael
- Visuals – Matt Yoder

- Greeters – Rebecca Bare, Greg Sancken, Karla Woodson
- Sound system – Randy Nelson
- Refreshments – Amanda Heinsman & Matt Klopfenstein
- Worship nursery – Perry Biddle & Pam Peña-Martin
- Stewards – Chuck Gibson & George Ordal

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.

TODAY – We begin a NEW children’s offering to benefit Sola Gratia Farm, a community-based farm dedicated to producing locally-grown, high-quality, natural produce. Started by St. Matthew Lutheran Church and Faith in Place in 2012, this four-acre community farm is committed to helping those who lack access to fresh produce.

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 (March - May)
Every Creature Singing – sanctuary
Spirituality in the Third Third of Life – 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)

NEW CLASSES

THIS WEEK at FMC

For a full listing of events, visit our website at www.fmc-cu.org.

- SUN 9:15 AM Worship & communion: Lent 1
10:45 AM Fellowship & refreshments
11:15 AM Sunday school for all ages
12:00 PM Young adults – lunch at FMC
4:00 PM Sing-along at Salem Baptist Church
- MON 1-5 PM Retiree Game Day at Sue Biddle’s home
- TUE 12:30 PM Library Committee
- THU 6:45 AM Early morning Bible study
9:30 AM Thursday morning Bible study
5:00 PM Christian Education Committee (library)
FMC basement reserved 5 – 9 PM
- SAT 9:30 AM Green Team (in library)

UPCOMING

- SUN 9:15 AM Worship & communion (Lent 2)
- 12 10:45 AM Fellowship & refreshments
11:15 AM Sunday school for all ages
12:00 PM FMC potluck
Items for April Vine due: fmcvine@gmail.com
- TUE 6:30 PM Taizé service
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- WED 6:00 PM FMC Council
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- THU 6:45 AM Early morning Bible study
- 16 9:30 AM Thursday morning Bible study
7:00 PM Ten Thousand Villages Board
- FRI Pastor Deb is away (Friday – Saturday)
- 17 IL Mennonite Relief Sale in Bloomington, IL
(Friday – Saturday)