

ANNOUNCEMENTS *and* BIRTHDAYS

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK: Mary Hays (TUE)

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TODAY, 3-5 pm at FMC – “Resisting Marginalization” afternoon workshop by Joe Minarik, Education Specialist at UI who focuses on anti-oppression and social justice education. **Workshop Description:** Promoting fairness in the face of bigotry and hatred requires that we understand the mechanisms of what maintains oppression. Part of what maintains oppression and marginalization is privilege. The first part of the workshop will focus on social identity-based privilege, and the role of privilege on constraining our efforts to promote fairness. Promoting social justice must also go beyond self-reflection. The second part of the workshop invites folks to explore ways of intervening with someone who intentionally or unintentionally makes comments which reflect or promote bigotry and hatred.

ONE WINTER NIGHT – Friday, February 2! 7th annual main fund-raising event of C-U at Home, a housing outreach to C-U people without permanent addresses. The Gibson family and TJ Black have volunteered to represent FMC this year. Thank you for helping to raise \$854 last Sunday toward their goal of \$2,000, with over \$800 more given online. Contributions can be made online on the FMC team fundraising page: <https://app.donorview.com/5qXN> (or click on the link on the FMC website homepage www.fmc-cu.org).

Sunday, February 4, 1 pm at the home of Mary Krick (1507 Rutledge, U) - Anyone with an interest in literature and committed to reading a monthly selection is invited for an hour discussion. The book for discussion is *The Remains of the Day* by Kazuo Ishiguro. This month we will also view the film of the same title for those who wish to stay. Contact Mary Krick or Sheryl Dyck for further details.

Restorative Justice Training 101 – Thursday, February 8, 1-3PM at the Urbana Civic Center, sponsored by the Champaign County Regional Planning Commission with the City of Urbana and facilitated by Sara Balgoyen, Executive Director of Illinois Balanced and Restorative Justice (IBARJ). Learn the basics of Restorative Justice and its current implementations in Illinois. Registration is free but space is limited. Email aphelps@ccrpc.org to reserve a spot. Contact Laura Brenneman or Pastor Michael for more info.

Wednesday, February 14, 6:30 pm – Ash Wednesday service in the sanctuary at FMC.

Saturday, February 17, 6 pm at Faith United Methodist Church (1719 S. Prospect, C) – 44th Annual Menno Nite Dinner and Talent Extravaganza. Adults & high school youth are invited to attend for a time of good food, good fellowship, and entertainment second to none. This year the event will be catered by Piato's. Park and enter on west or NE side of the church. Sign up downstairs or on the FMC website. **Sarah Lubinski and Dan Schreiber will be the emcees and are seeking talent. Help wanted: a stage manager to handle AV, a videographer, extra help.** If you have questions or can assist, contact Marcia Nelson.

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Celebration *of* Worship

January 28, 2018

Centering chimes

Prelude

Lighting of solidarity lamp – *Symbolic of our Sister Church relationship with El Divino Redentor.*

***Purple songbook #5** “Open my ears, open my eyes”

Welcome & prayer

***Call to worship**

Right: Hallelujah! With my whole heart, I praise the Lord.

Left: God’s works are great, a delight to explore.

Right: In majesty, God’s justice will stand.

Left: We cannot forget God who is merciful and kind.

Right: God nourished the faithful and upheld the covenant.

Left: Faithful, just, and true are all God’s decrees.

Right: Each law in its place is valid forever.

Left: The Lord redeems the faithful with a lasting covenant.

Right: Reverence of the Lord is wisdom’s crown.

Left: Praise the Lord forever.

***Hymnal #76** “Praise, I will praise you, Lord”

***Green songbook #96** “I’m pressing on the upward way”

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

Congregation sings as children come forward (purple songbook #47)

Scripture: Matthew 1:21-28 (*page 879*) and **1 Corinthians 8:1-13** (*page 1045*)

Sermon *Centered by God’s love*

***Hymnal #377** “Healer of our every ill”

Offering (prayer cards collected)

Offertory How can I keep from singing? arr. by Richard Walters

Celebrating 25 years of Thursday Morning Bible Study

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 #53 “O God in heaven”

*Benediction

*Stand if you are able

Note: Call to worship adapted from a rendering of Psalm 111 by the International Commission on English in the Liturgy.

Thanks to our worship and welcome teams

Worship leader – Randy Nelson
Song leader – Cindy Breeze
Piano – Bev Birkey Potts
Offertory – Andrea Welty Peachey & Carol Welty
Children’s story – Courtney Malcolm
Scripture reader – Bruce Miller
Sermon, sharing & prayer – Pastor Michael
Greeters – Clark Breeze, Cynthia Nafziger, Grace Sancken
Visuals – Rachel Horst Lehman
Sound system – Laurence Koehn
Stewards –Chuck Gibson & Emerson Nafziger
Worship nursery – Rebecca Bare & TJ Black
Refreshments – Kathy Martin & Ruth Stoltzfus

Next Sunday at FMC:
February 4

Worship leader – Laura Brenneman
Song Leader – Steve Rayburn
Piano – Ivette Herryman
Children’s story – Bruce Miller
Scripture reader – Scott Bidner
Sermon, sharing & prayer – Pastor Michael
Greeters – Dianna Black, Sheree Flannigan, Laurence Koehn
Sound system – Laurence Koehn
Visuals – Rachel Horst Lehman
Stewards – Tom Anderson & Randy Nelson
Worship nursery – Sheryl Dyck & Mary Krick
Refreshments – Sam & Megan Cox & Grace Sancken

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 Mennonite Disaster Service (MDS) to help with hurricane relief efforts. All are welcome to give to the offering through February.

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 (December - February)
Soul music & spiritual reflection – sanctuary
Biblical survey of faith in action (Bible study) – 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/K – Room 6 Grades 5-8 – Room 3
Grades 1-6 – Room 10/11 Grades 9-12 - Room 7
(Nursery care provided for children birth through age 2)

THIS WEEK at FMC

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

SUN	9:15 AM	Worship
	10:45 AM	Fellowship & refreshments
	11:15 AM	Sunday school for all ages
	12:00 PM	Hospitality & Fellowship Cmte.
	3:00 PM	Resisting marginalization workshop at FMC Feb/March Vine submissions due to fmcvine@gmail.com
TUE	6:30 PM	FMC Racial Justice Working Group (all are welcome)
THU	6:45 AM	Early morning Bible study
	9:30 AM	Thursday morning Bible Study
SAT	9:00 AM	Council retreat at Dycks’ home

UPCOMING

SUN 4	9:15 AM	Worship
	10:45 AM	Fellowship & refreshments
	11:15 AM	Sunday school for all ages
TUE 6	5:15 PM	Worship Committee
WED 7	10:30 AM	Service & Outreach Committee
THU 8	6:45 AM	Early morning Bible study
	9:30 AM	Thursday morning Bible Study
	9:00 AM	Pastor Peer mtg. in Normal, IL
	5:00 PM	Property & Finance Committee
SAT 10	9:00 AM	FMC reserved until 4 pm