ANNOUNCEMENTS and BIRTHDAYS

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK: Kathy Anderson (TUE), Sawyer Biddle (WED)

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TODAY at Noon – MYF service trip lunch fundraiser. High schoolers Ally Welty Peachey and Liesl Schrag, with friends and sponsors, will serve with Mennonite Mission Network's DOOR (Discovering Opportunities for Outreach and Reflection) Chicago the week of July 2-7. Support their efforts by eating lunch, prepared by the MYF, and giving a donation as you are able.

This Friday, April 27, 1-4 pm at the home of Rosalee Otto (1806 C Lakeside Dr, Champaign) - FMC Retiree Game Day. You are invited to bring your favorite games and snacks. Please let Tammie Bouseman know if you plan to attend.

2018 GRADUATES - For all graduates 8th grade and beyond, please contact the church office by **Sunday, May 6** with the following information: graduate's name, degree earned, school or college, and what is next. *High schools seniors, please submit a picture for publication.*

The Christian Education Committee meets in May to plan for the next Sunday school year, which begins in the Fall. Sunday school topics, sponsors, and teachers for all ages are needed. The committee invites you to offer Sunday school suggestions and to prayerfully consider teaching/sponsor positions. Please take a little time to complete the Christian Education survey/volunteer form included in Tuesday's upcoming prayer list/announcement email or fill out a paper copy, available in the church office. Input is needed by Monday, April 30.

June 21 – 23 – The 2018 Central District Conference annual meeting will be held at College Mennonite Church in Goshen, IN. The theme is "Come, walk with us. Tell us your story!" Registration opens online on May 1. We can send up to 5 delegates to the meeting. If you are interested in serving as a delegate, please contact Pastor Michael or the FMC office by this Wednesday, April 25.

Needed – one or two people from FMC to serve a 6-year term on the Arthur Mennonite Relief Sale board, beginning this Fall. Contact FMC Council chair, Sheryl Dyck, for more information.

The Spiritual Leadership Team is trying to improve our responses to requests for joining a small group. If you are not currently in a group and would like to be, please start by filling out a google form at this link: https://tinyurl.com/y7n8xjxa. Feel free to contact a member of SLT anytime.

Ted & Company Visit on May 13 – Flyers are available in the foyer for you to take to share with neighbors and friends. We welcome above offering donations to help cover the cost of Ted's visit. Checks should be made out to FMC with "Ted & Co visit" in the memo line. Contact Pastor Michael with questions.

Thanks to all those who helped during our FMC Spring Work Day yesterday. Talk to Chuck Gibson if you couldn't come but want to help with one of the remaining tasks.

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Ministers: Every member of the congregation



Celebration of Worship

April 22, 2018

Centering chimes

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

Prelude

*Hymnal #521 "Come, thou fount"

*Call to worship based on Psalm 118:24 (unison)

THIS is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

This IS the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

This is the DAY that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it. This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

This is the day that the Lord has made; let US rejoice and be glad in it.

This is the day that the Lord has made; let us REJOICE AND BE GLAD in it.

Welcome & prayer

*Hymnal #86 "Now thank we all our God"

BEGINNING LIFE WITH GOD

Scripture: John 10:11-18 (p.980)

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

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

Dedication of Victor Daniel Peña Martin (blessing on insert)

*Hymnal #229 "Tú has venido a la orilla" (Lord, you have come to the lakeshore)

CONTINUING LIFE WITH GOD

Scripture: Psalm 23 (p.491)

Meditation Ecologies of Divine Care

Baptism and welcome into membership of Karen McKenzie (blessing on insert)

*Hymnal #580 "My life flows on"

*Passing the peace

Offering (prayer cards collected)

Offertory

Hymnal #119 "Praise God from whom" (words below)

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; in heav'n above and earth below; one God three persons we adore. To God be praise for evermore. Amen.

Sharing and prayers of the people

Introduction of guests

Work of the church

*Hymnal #14

"Come, we that love the Lord"

*Benediction

*Stand if you are able



It is a joy to welcome you today. Your presence enriches this gathering. 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 and standard over-ear devices are available. Childcare for children birth - preschool is available downstairs during worship and the education hour.

Thanks to our worship and welcome teams

Worship leader – Cindy Breeze
Song Leader – Steve Rayburn
Piano – Andrea Welty Peachey
Children's story – Peter Dyck
Scripture reader – Lesley Deem
Sermon, sharing & prayer – Pastor Michael
Greeters – Kate Falk, Chuck Gibson, Karla Woodson
Sound system – Emerson Nafziger
Visuals – banners by Lynne Sancken
Stewards – Peter Dyck & Mary Krick
Worship nursery – Tina Huang, Grace Sancken,
David Horst Lehman (on call)
Refreshments – Cynthia & Emerson Nafziger

Next Sunday at FMC: April 29 Hymn sing worship service at 10:45 am

Worship leader – Pastor Deb
Song Leader – various leaders
Piano – Ivette Herryman-Rodriguez
Children's story – Alex Bidner
Scripture reader – Peter Dyck
Sharing & prayer – Pastor Michael
Greeters – Kate Falk, Chuck Gibson, Karla Woodson
Sound system – Randy Nelson
Visuals – banners by Lynne Sancken
Stewards – Peter Dyck & Mary Krick
Worship nursery – Megan Cox, Melissa Shungu,
TBD (on call)
Refreshments – Chuck & Rhonda Gibson

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)
Bystander Training – sanctuary
Praying with the Bible – 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 1-6** – Room 10/11

Grades 5-8 – Room 3 **Grades 9-12** - Room 7

(Nursery care provided for children birth through age 2)

Our current children's offering benefits the Illinois Balanced and Restorative Justice Project (IBARJ), which works to foster sustainable restorative practices. All are welcome to give to the children's offering.



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 MYF lunch fundraiser 3:30 PM Racial Taboo continuing conversation WED 6:00 PM Spiritual Leadership Team THU 7:00 AM Early morning Bible study Thursday morning Bible Study FMC basement reserved 2:00 PM (until 9 pm) 1:00 PM FMC Retiree Game Day at FRI Rosalee Otto's home

NEXT SUNDAY – 5TH SUNDAY SCHEDULE

8:30-10:30 am: 5th Sunday breakfast at Boys & Girls Club (201 E Park St., C)

9:30-10:30 am: Food & fellowship at FMC (for those not attending at Boys & Girls Club)

10:45 am: Worship at FMC (HYMN SING); no Sunday school at FMC

UPCOMING

WED 2	10:30 AM	Service & Outreach Committee
THU	7:00 AM	Early morning Bible study
3	9:30 AM	Thursday morning Bible study
	5:00 PM	Property & Finance Committee
SUN 6	9:15 AM	Worship, followed by refreshments & Sunday school
	1:30 PM	FMC reserved
TUE 8	1:00 PM	FMC Retiree Game Day at Keith & Kathy Springers' home