

## ANNOUNCEMENTS *and* BIRTHDAYS

**BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK:** Sheree Flannigan (TUE), Scott Bidner (WED), Denny Seaman (FRI)



**TODAY, Noon at FMC – Potluck in celebration of Father's Day.**

Due to the very hot temperatures, our potluck will be held in the fellowship hall at FMC. Please bring a nut-free dish to share, but come even if you are unable to bring food.

**TODAY – Registration opens for the FMC All-Church Retreat at Menno Haven, August 31 – September 2. Our theme is "Spirit Re-create Us" and Hillary Watson is our retreat speaker.** Look for registration forms in the bulletin and on the table in the foyer. A link to a PDF version of the registration will go out in next week's prayer/announcement email. Please read the information carefully, since the registration process will be a little different than in years past. **Parents – there will be child care and children's activities during portions of the retreat.**

**Pastoral care note for June 21 – 23.** Pastor Deb will be at the CDC meeting, along with elder Janet Liechty. Sam Cox, our other elder, will also be unavailable during these days. If you have a pastoral care need, please contact FMC chair/Spiritual Leadership Team member Sheryl Dyck or former elder Tammie Bouseman.

**Next Sunday, June 24, 6 pm at FMC - Mennonites 101 class**

Anyone interested in learning more about Mennonites, or thinking about baptism or joining the church is welcome to join us. Please let Pastor Deb know if you plan to come.

**Worship is an important community time at FMC, and Worship Committee welcomes from constructive feedback from community members!** While keeping in mind that we are a diverse community with people from various backgrounds, and that not every part of worship will resonate equally with each person, we do invite you to be in touch with Worship Committee members (Kathy Springer, Lynne Sancken, Steve Rayburn, Cindy Breeze, and Pastor Deb) if you have suggestions or ideas for enriching worship.

**Sunday, July 1, 2:30 pm at FMC - A Celebration of Life service will be held for John Zehr, long-time member of FMC and father of Rhonda Gibson.** All are invited to attend. If possible, please park in the UI lot at the corner of Gregory and Springfield (1 block west of FMC) to allow people with mobility issues to park in the FMC parking lot.

**Sunday, July 29 - Mark your calendar for the 3rd Annual Interfaith Alliance Interfaith Picnic.**

There are many jobs to be done this year. Anyone interested in being involved in any of a variety of ways, please see Pastor Deb or sign up using this link <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0f4aafae2ea1f58-interfaith>

**Thanks to the amazing FMC moving crew who helped in spite of the rain and logistical problems.** I greatly appreciate your support in making this transition to Normal, IL. I was met at my new house by a crew from the Mennonite Church of Normal, so I had great help from both churches.

**My new address is: 700 Cullom St., Normal, IL 61761. - Laura Brenneman**



FIRST MENNONITE CHURCH OF CHAMPAIGN URBANA

A congregation of Mennonite Church USA

## Celebration of Worship

June 17, 2018

**Centering chimes**

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

**Prelude**

**\*Purple songbook #1** "Praise the One who breaks the darkness"

**Welcome & prayer**

**\*Call to worship** (unison)

**We gather in thanksgiving to worship our God who created this place for us.  
We have variety beyond comprehension - trees and plants too many to count.  
Some things we know about how seeds grow, but much remains a mystery.  
Oh God, our Creator, we gather now for worship.**

**\*Passing the peace**

**\*Hymnal #46** "I sing the mighty power of God"

**\*Hymnal #332** "Blessed assurance"

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

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

**Scripture reading: Ezekiel 17:22-24** (p. 769) & **Mark 4:26-34** (p. 916)

**Sermon** *Rhythm and mystery of growth*

**\*Black binder #31** "Invited by God to tango"

**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.

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**Ministers:** Every member of the congregation

Sharing and prayers of the people  
Introduction of guests

Work of the church

\*Hymnal #336 “When peace like a river”

\*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 – Sue Biddle  
Song Leader – Rafael Luquis  
Piano – Liz Mallott  
Children’s story – Bruce Miller  
Scripture – Drama group  
Sermon, sharing & prayer – Pastor Deb  
Greeters – Denny & Nancy Seaman  
Sound system – Phil Martens  
Visuals – Lynne Sancken  
Stewards – Bob King & Bruce Miller  
Worship nursery – Mary Hines & Marcia Nelson,  
Dianna Black (on call)  
Refreshments – Greg & Lynne Sancken  
Sunday school helpers – Courtney Malcolm &  
Marcia Nelson

Next Sunday at FMC:  
June 24

Worship leader – Keith Springer  
Song Leader – Steve Rayburn  
Piano – Ivette Herryman-Rodriguez  
Children’s story – Courtney Malcolm  
Scripture – Sheryl Dyck  
Words of witness – Kristy Rice  
Sharing & prayer – Pastor Deb  
Greeters – Denny & Nancy Seaman  
Sound system – Phil Martens  
Visuals – Lynne Sancken  
Stewards – Bob King & Bruce Miller  
Worship nursery – Tom Sutter & Karla Woodson,  
TBD (on call)  
Refreshments – Amanda Heinsman & Matt Klopfenstien  
Sunday school helpers – Sue Biddle & Kathy Springer

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.



SUMMER CLASSES FOR ALL AGES – 11:15 AM

All are welcome to attend any Sunday.

Intergenerational Summer Class (PreK – adult)

Food & Faith: An intergenerational experience (downstairs; start in fellowship hall, then break-out by age into various rooms)

Quarterly Adult Class (June – July 22)

Justice in the New Testament – sanctuary

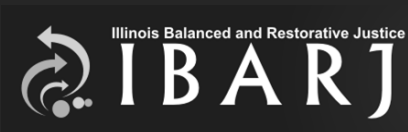
Ongoing Adult Discussion Groups (year-round)

Coffee and Conversation – Library

Knit and Nurture – Nursery (downstairs)

(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](http://www.fmc-cu.org).

SUN	9:15 AM	Worship
	10:45 AM	Fellowship & refreshments
	11:15 AM	Sunday school for all ages
NOTE: At 11:15 am – Singing will start promptly in the fellowship hall. Please join in a song or two as you make your way to your class.		
	12:00 PM	Father’s Day potluck at FMC
TUE	1:00 PM	Retiree Game Day at Seamans
	6:30 PM	FMC Works for Racial Justice Group
WED	7:00 PM	Ten Thousand Villages Board
THU	7:00 AM	Early morning Bible study
	9:30 AM	Summer Fellowship at Harvest Market
FRI	Pastor Deb at CDC meeting Thurs-Sat	

UPCOMING

SUN 24	9:15 AM	Worship
	10:45 AM	Fellowship & refreshments
	11:15 AM	Sunday school for all ages
	6:00 PM	Mennonites 101
TUE 26	4:00 PM	FMC basement reserved
	6:00 PM	Spiritual Leadership Team
THU 21	7:00 AM	Early morning Bible study
	9:30 AM	Summer Fellowship at Harvest Market
	1:00 PM	Pastoral Support Committee