

ANNOUNCEMENTS *and* BIRTHDAYS

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK: Berit Hudson-Rasmussen & George Ordal (TODAY), Sarah Lubinski (MON), Mark Evans & Janet Liechty (TUE), Michelle Moyer-Litwiller (THU), Mary Ann Heiser & Kathy Martin (SAT)

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Tomorrow, Monday, August 6, 5-8 pm – Arthur Mennonite Relief Sale Ice Cream Social at the Arthur Community Building (120 E. Progress St, Arthur, near Tourist Information Center). This is a pre-relief sale event, occurring before the Arthur Mennonite Relief Sale on August 24 and 25.

NEXT SUNDAY, August 12 – Registration deadline for our 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. Information and registration forms are on the table in the foyer. **As in years past, we are providing our own breakfast on Saturday morning.** The Hospitality & Fellowship Committee will send a request for help/food in the coming weeks.

Donations are needed to help purchase hogs (whole hog \$100 or half hog \$50) for the Arthur Mennonite Relief Sale pork sandwiches. Checks should be made payable to "Arthur Mennonite Relief Sale" with "hog purchase" in the memo line. Checks can be given to Cynthia or Emerson Nafziger.

New Spiritual Direction Groups – Each fall, the spiritual direction groups offered at FMC are re-formed. Groups of 4 to 6 people meet twice monthly for one year - at a time that works for all in the group. Priority is given to those who have not been in groups before, and then past members are welcomed. Groups will begin in mid-September. An article about the groups can be seen in the upcoming Vine. Feel free to see Pastor Deb or past members of spiritual direction groups if you have questions. Let Pastor Deb know by August 26th if you are interested in being a part of a group this fall.

August 12 - Deadline for renewing/joining our group subscription to Rejoice, a quarterly Mennonite devotional magazine. The group subscription cost for 2019 will be \$34.75 (4 issues). The magazines come to FMC and are placed in church mailboxes. To renew or subscribe, contact the FMC office and make your check payable to First Mennonite Church with "Rejoice magazine" in the memo line.

Recipes from the summer Sunday school class are on the table in the foyer.

This August – MCC informed our Service and Outreach Committee that it does not need school kits at this time. Instead, MCC needs sewing kits. Our Service & Outreach committee is planning a donation drive for sewing kits items later this fall. Watch for more information in the coming months.

NEW ADDRESSES TO NOTE IN YOUR FMC DIRECTORY (Email and phone haven't changed)

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FIRST MENNONITE CHURCH OF CHAMPAIGN URBANA

A congregation of Mennonite Church USA

Celebration *of* Worship

August 5, 2018

Centering chimes

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

Prelude

***Hymnal #71** "Joyful, joyful, we adore thee"

Welcome & prayer

***Call to worship**

Leader: Praise be to God who has awakened us to a day that dawns with the light of grace and love.

**People: Joyful, joyful we adore you, God of glory, Lord of love.
Our hearts unfold like flowers before you, praising you to the sun above.**

Leader: Praise be to God who sets the morning sky ablaze with hope and anticipation.

**People: All your works with joy surround you, heaven and earth reflect your rays.
Stars and angels sing around you, center of unbroken praise.**

Leader: Praise be to God who knows no barriers to compassion and mercy, who lifts us into joy and unity with all creation.

**People: Love divine is reigning over us, leading us with mercy's hand.
Teach us how to love each other, lift us to the joy divine.**

***Hymnal #59** "Sing praise to God who reigns"

***Green songbook #16** "Praise with joy the world's Creator"

***Passing the peace**

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

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

Scripture: Romans 6:4 (*p.1030*) and **Ephesians 4:1-6** (*p.1068*)

Sermon

***Green songbook #79** "As I went down to the river"

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 #592

“Love divine, all loves excelling”

*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.

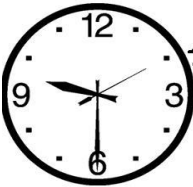
Hearing assisted devices are available from the greeters. T-coil and standard over-ear devices are available.
Childcare for children birth - preschool is available downstairs during worship and the education hour.

Thanks to our worship and
welcome teams

Worship leader – Cindy Breeze
Song leader – Steve Rayburn
Piano – Jan Kellogg
Children’s story – Tammie Bouseman
Scripture – Greg Sancken
Sermon – Dawn Blackman
Sharing & prayer – Pastor Deb
Greeters – Earl Kellogg & Bev Hertle
Sound system – Randy Nelson
Visuals – Lynne Sancken
Stewards – Sam Cox & Matt Yoder
Worship nursery – Megan Cox, Rachel Lehman,
Melissa Shungu (on call)
Refreshments – Chuck & Rhonda Gibson

Next Sunday at FMC:
August 12

Worship leader – Sam Cox
Song leader – Rafael Luquis
Piano – Kathy Springer
Children’s story – Bruce Miller
Scripture – Mary Krick
Sermon – Doug Luginbill
Sharing & prayer – Janet Liechty
Greeters – Earl Kellogg & Bev Hertle
Sound system – Randy Nelson
Visuals – Lynne Sancken
Stewards – Sam Cox & Matt Yoder
Worship nursery – Rhonda Gibson, Ally Welty Peachey
Melissa Shungu (on call)
Refreshments – Earl & Jan Kellogg



August
Worship
9:30 am

(August only start time)
followed by fellowship &
refreshments

No Sunday school in August

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 9:30 AM **Worship;** followed by
fellowship & refreshments.
No Sunday school in August

MON 5:00 PM Arthur Mennonite Relief Sale
Ice Cream Social (Arthur, IL)
6:00 PM FMC Council

TUE 2:00 PM Pastoral Support Committee
5:15 PM Worship Committee

WED
Pastor Deb out of office Aug 8 – 15;
Spiritual Leadership Team members
Sam Cox, Janet Liechty, or Sheryl Dyck
can be contacted for emergencies.

THU 7:00 AM Early morning Bible study
9:30 AM Summer fellowship at Harvest
Market

UPCOMING

SUN 12 9:30 AM **Worship;** followed by
fellowship & refreshments.
No Sunday school in August.

Deadline for FMC retreat registration

THU 16 7:00 AM Early morning Bible study
9:30 AM Summer fellowship at Harvest
Market
Pastor Deb is back in the office

SAT 18 6:00 PM JYF/MYF family picnic at
Shungu home (2100 O’Donnell
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