

## ANNOUNCEMENTS *and* BIRTHDAYS

**BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK:** Ronald Jones (TODAY), Ruth Stoltzfus (MON), Ella Lubienski (TUE), Donna Nelson Evans (THU)

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**TODAY – Last day for retreat registration. Please sign-up today if you plan to attend!** 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 food in soon. **If you are interested in coming to the retreat for Saturday only (no overnights), please talk to Rhonda today for information on the cost.**

**TODAY - Deadline for renewing/joining our group subscription to Rejoice, a quarterly Mennonite devotional magazine.** The group subscription cost for 2019 will be \$29.50 (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 Mennoniite Church with "Rejoice magazine" in the memo line.

**This Tuesday, August 14, 1 – 3 pm – You are invited to join a small group of people in the FMC basement to sew bags for MCC.** The bags are easy to make - just a few straight edges.

**Friday, August 17 - Young Adult picnic and Friday Night Live. Meet at Pastor Deb's house at 5 pm.**

**Saturday, August 18, 6 pm at the home of Pete & Melissa Shungu (2100 O'Donnell Dr., C) - MYF/JYF youth and parents - potluck and meeting.** Pulled pork sandwiches and drinks provided. Please bring a side dish, salad or dessert. Come to eat, play, fellowship and share your thoughts about the MYF/JYF for the year ahead.

**Monday, August 20, 1-4 pm - Retiree Game Day at the home of Clark and Cindy Breeze.** Bring games and finger food to share. Please let Tammie Bouseman know if you are interested in attending.

**Friday & Saturday, August 24-25 – Arthur Mennonite Relief Sale at Otto Center in Arthur, IL.** Details are outlined in the brochure in your FMC mailbox and also on the table in the foyer.

**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 26<sup>th</sup> if you are interested in being a part of a group this fall.

**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.

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## Celebration *of* Worship

August 12, 2018

**Centering chimes**

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

**Prelude**

**\*Hymnal #28** "Breathe upon us, Holy Spirit"

**Welcome & prayer**

**\*Call to worship**

Leader: In our great trouble, Lord, we call out to you for help.

**People: Hear our cry and pay attention to our prayer!**

Leader: If you kept a record of our sins, who could ever survive?

**People: But you offer forgiveness, so we can serve and respect you.**

Leader: We count on you, Lord and trust your word.

**People: We long for you, Lord, more than night watchmen long for the dawn.**

Leader: People of God, place your hope in the Lord!

***ALL: For in God there is unfailing love and redemption overflowing!***

**\*Hymnal #55** "Cantemos al Señor (Let's sing unto the Lord)"

**\*Hymnal #216** "Christ, whose glory fills the skies"

**\*Passing the peace**

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

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

**Scripture: 2 Samuel 18:9-17, 21, 31-33** (*p.289*) and **Ephesians 4:25-5:2** (*p.1068*)

**Sermon** *A holy, royal, hot mess*

**\*Green songbook #54** "Longing for light"

**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 #410 “Lord of light, your name outshining”

\*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.

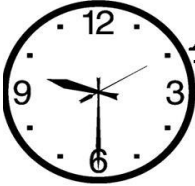
Childcare for children birth - preschool is available downstairs during worship and the education hour.

Thanks to our worship and welcome teams

Worship leader – 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

Next Sunday at FMC:  
August 19

Worship leader – Martha Moore  
Song leader – Steve Rayburn  
Piano – Kathy Springer  
Children’s story – Randy Nelson  
Scripture – Pete Shungu  
Words of Witness – Cindy Breeze, Bev Hertle  
Sharing & prayer – Pastor Deb  
Greeters – Kate Falk & Bev Hertle  
Sound system – Randy Nelson  
Visuals – Lynne Sancken  
Stewards – Sam Cox & Matt Yoder  
Worship nursery – Perry Biddle & Mary Hines,  
Melissa Shungu (on call)  
Refreshments – Sharon Monday & Jack Paxton

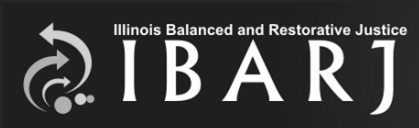


# August Worship 9:30 am

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

Pastor Deb out of office through Wed.; Spiritual Leadership Team members Sam Cox, Janet Liechty, or Sheryl Dyck can be contacted for emergencies.

SUN 9:30 AM **Worship**; followed by fellowship & refreshments.  
No Sunday school in August  
11:30 AM Hospitality & Fellowship Cmte.

Deadline for FMC retreat registration

MON	9:30 AM	FMC Library Committee
TUE	1:00 PM	Sew MCC bags (FMC basement)
THU	7:00 AM 9:30 AM	Early morning Bible study Summer fellowship at Harvest Market
FRI	5:00 PM	Young adult picnic potluck & Friday Night Live. Meet at Pastor Deb’s house (306 E Sherwin Circle, U).
SAT	6:00 PM	JYF/MYF family picnic at Shungu home (2100 O’Donnell Dr, C)

UPCOMING

MON 20	1:00 PM	Retiree Game Day at Breeze home (2512 Prairie Ridge Place, C)
TUE 21	6:30 PM	FMC Works for Racial Justice
WED 22	6:00 PM	Spiritual Leadership Team
THU 23	7:00 AM 9:30 AM	Early morning Bible study Summer fellowship at Harvest Market
FRI 24	Arthur Mennonite Relief Sale (Fri & Sat)	