

ANNOUNCEMENTS *and* BIRTHDAYS

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK: Chad Potts (TODAY)

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TODAY at Noon – Discernment Circles. Small group discussions will be held immediately following Sunday school to discern FMC council leadership for 2019. Active participants ages high school and older are invited to gather in the sanctuary at Noon. A light snack will be served. Childcare will be provided in the nursery.

TODAY – Final day for giving the Service & Outreach Committee input on Local Missions Giving recommendations for the 2019 church spending plan. Forms and a return box are in the office.

This Thursday, November 1, 7-9 pm, Spurlock Museum Auditorium (600 S Gregory St, U) - Americas3 paints a multilingual, intercultural, and international portrait of what it means to be American. The free program includes eight languages performed by artists from North, Central, and South America. Contact Sharon Monday for more information. First Mennonite is one of the sponsors.

This Saturday, November 3, 2-4 PM - Sharon Monday has arranged a tour of the African American Cultural Center in Decatur. The museum has excellent exhibits and includes themes of regional, national and international significance. Contact Sharon if you are interested in going.

Next Sunday, November 4, 7 pm at St. Andrews Lutheran Church (909 S. Wright, C) - Community Taizé Service. Come sing and pray for peace in our world, our nation, our community and our hearts.

Saturday, November 10, 8 am – Noon – FMC Fall Work Day. Help spruce up the church and grounds. Donuts/bagels, coffee & juice provided. More details coming soon.

Sunday, November 18, 3 pm at Krannert in Foellinger Great Hall (500 S. Goodwin Ave, U) - The Third Annual Champaign County Interfaith Alliance Thanksgiving Celebration: UNITED in our DIVERSITY! You are invited to join in a community choir for the service. The rehearsal will be held in Foellinger at 2 pm before the service. The choir is open to all. There are two easy choir numbers, and music will be handed out at the rehearsal. Let Pastor Deb know if you are interested.

Thanksgiving Day – Sheryl Dyck will host a potluck. She will provide the turkey and those attending can bring a side dish. Vegetarians are welcome to make a turkey-alternative main dish. **Contact Sheryl (217.377.8704 or sjd6@msn.com) if you would like to come.**

SAVE THE DATE: FMC Progressive Dinner (high schoolers & older): **December 8, 6-9 pm.**

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FIRST MENNONITE CHURCH OF CHAMPAIGN URBANA

A congregation of Mennonite Church USA

Celebration *of* Worship

October 28, 2018

Centering chimes

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

Prelude

***Green songbook #3** “Jesus calls us here to meet him”

***Call to worship**

Leader: We come to worship seeking wisdom, restoration and community.

But, we often do not know how to secure these.

People: Call out to God and the gathered community.

Leader: Will we be heard?

People: Be bold and seek.

Leader: OK. We'll try.

People: Go forward and follow Him. Your faithfulness and the journey with God will empower you.

ALL: Praise God for giving us Jesus, The Holy Spirit and our brothers and sisters for that journey. Amen.

Welcome & prayer

***Purple songbook #44** “When Jesus the healer” (vss. 1-4)

***Hymnal #506** “I sought the Lord”

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

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

Scripture: Psalm 34:1-8 (*page 497*)

Scripture Drama: Mark 10:46-52 (*page 924*)

Sermon *Called to be messengers of mercy*

***Green songbook #42** “Listen, God is calling”

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

Reception of new members: Courtney & Douglas Malcolm

As brothers and sisters in the body of Christ and members of First Mennonite Church, we welcome you, Courtney and Doug. We promise to encourage you in faith, to call out the gifts the Holy Spirit is creating in you, to rejoice with you in joy, and to support you in times of suffering. We pledge our willingness to give and receive counsel and to offer and accept forgiveness. We joyfully partner with you in the care of our church family and in our mission to the world.

Green songbook #13 “My soul is filled with joy”

Sharing and prayer
Introduction of guests
Work of the church
*Purple songbook #111
*Benediction

“For me to live is Christ”

*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 – Earl Kellogg
Song leader – Matt Yoder
Piano – Pam Peña-Martin
Children’s story – Lynne Sancken
Scripture – Doug Malcolm
Scripture Drama – Amanda Heinsman, writer & Courtney Malcolm, presenter
Sermon, sharing & prayer – Pastor Michael
Greeters – George Ordal & Bev Hertle
Sound system – Emerson Nafziger
Visuals – Cheryl Koranda
Stewards – Earl Kellogg & Jan Sabey
Worship nursery – Chuck Gibson, TBD, Liesl Schrag (on call)
Refreshments – Janet Liechty & Phil Martens

Sunday, November 4
Service of Remembrance

Worship leader – Peter Dyck
Song leader – Andrea Welty Peachey
Piano – Ruth Stoltzfus
Children’s story – Melissa Shungu
Scripture – Laura Brennenman
Sermon, sharing & prayer – Pastor Deb
Greeters – Chuck Gibson & Norma Nelson
Sound system – Laurence Koehn
Visuals – Cheryl Koranda
Stewards – Janet Liechey & Ken Moyer
Worship nursery – Tom Sutter, Rebecca Bare, Melissa Shungu (on call)
Refreshments – Sue Biddle & Tammie Bouseman

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 (Sept - Nov)

Pathways: Journey Forward – sanctuary

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)

2-3 yrs – Room 6

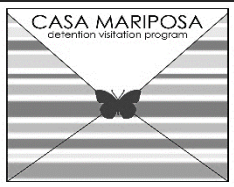
4 yrs - Grade 5 – Room 3

Grades 6-8 – Room 10/11

Grades 9-12 - Room 7

(Nursery care provided for children birth to age 2)

Our current children’s offering benefits the Casa Mariposa Detention Visitation Program in Tucson, AZ which offers support, friendship, and encouragement to immigrants living in detention through weekly visits and letters. Outside of detention, the program supports immigrants as they return to life on the outside and help reunite folks with their loved ones.



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	Refreshments & fellowship
	11:15	AM	Sunday school for all ages
	12:00	PM	FMC Leadership Discernment Circles
THU	7:00	AM	Early morning Bible study
	9:30	AM	Thursday morning Bible study
	5:00	PM	Property & Finance Committee
	7:00	PM	Americas3 at Spurlock
FRI	Pastor Michael out of office		
SAT	2:00	PM	Tour of African American Museum in Decatur



UPCOMING

SUN 4	9:15	AM	Worship; Service of Remembrance
	7:00	PM	Community Taizé Service at St. Andrews (909 S. Wright, C)
TUE 6	6:30	PM	FMC Works for Racial Justice
WED 7	10:30	AM	Service & Outreach Cmte
	7:00	PM	CPT Colombia event at FMC
	5:00	PM	Property & Finance Committee
THU 8	7:00	AM	Early morning Bible study
	9:30	AM	Thursday morning Bible study
SAT 10	8:00	AM	FMC Fall Work Day
	4:00	PM	Worship Band practice