#### ANNOUNCEMENTS and BIRTHDAYS

**BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK:** Jan Sabey (TODAY)

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TODAY - Spring Sunday school classes begin. Details are listed on the insert.

TODAY at 5 pm, Pastor Deb's house - Young adults are invited to come for pizza, a movie, and to help Emily King do some labeling for Ten Thousand Villages.

This Wednesday, March 6, 6:30 pm at FMC - Ash Wednesday service. As we begin the season of Lent, join us for a time of reflection and song focusing on gratitude, confession, mortality, hope and peace.

The Lenten theme this year is *Holy Hunger, Blessed Feast*. On March 24th, we would like to hear from a few of you about a time of thirst in your life - thirst for God, thirst for love, thirst for aliveness, or whatever thirst you experienced. In your story, feel free to include such things as how you did or did not sense God's presence during this time, how you survived, how you were changed, etc. Please pray about this opportunity and let Pastor Deb or Pastor Michael know if you have something to share.

Nurture your children's faith at home this Lent and Easter. Find a free, downloadable Lent At Home guide at mennoniteusa.org/lent2019. It includes Bible readings, short litanies, songs, hands-on activities and questions to ponder from March 5 through Easter Sunday on April 21.



This Saturday, March 9, 5-8 pm at FMC – Intergenerational game night. Come for favorites for all ages: word games, team games ping-pong, board games, a puzzle - even the hokey pokey. We will need to work together to make this event work for all ages. Consider volunteering for a 30 min. shift to care for/play with young ones if you are safe church cleared. Paid work available for MYF with safe church clearance. Please sign-up downstairs or email Marcia Nelson if you plan to attend or would like to help with child care.

March 15 & 16, Interstate Center in Bloomington, IL - The 61st Annual Illinois Mennonite Relief Sale. Visit <a href="https://www.ilreliefsale.org">www.ilreliefsale.org</a> for details.

The black song books have been updated with many changes! If you have a black book at home, please see Pastor Deb for updates. Do not put it back in the pews.

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#### FIRST MENNONITE CHURCH OF CHAMPAIGN URBANA

A congregation of Mennonite Church USA

## Celebration of Worship

March 3, 2019



Centering chimes

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

Prelude

\*Green songbook #12 "Cantai ao Senhor (O sing to the Lord)"

Welcome & prayer

Call to worship (from Psalm 96)

\*Green songbook #18 "Over my head"

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

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

Scripture: Psalm 117 & Psalm 150 (Inclusive Bible)

Voices Together introduction

Black binder #26 "Could it be that God is singing?"

Black binder #43 "Dust and ashes"

**Contemporary worship songs** 

\*Black binder #33.5 "All who are thirsty"
\*Black binder #42 "You unravel me"

Intercultural hymns

Black binder #40 "Heleluyan"

Black binder #24 "Ososo (Come now, O Prince of Peace)"

Offering (prayer cards collected)
Offertory & prayer
Sharing and prayer
Introduction of guests
Work of the church

"You shall go out with joy"



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 – Rhonda Gibson
Song leaders – Andrea Welty Peachey; Matt Yoder;
Pastor Deb
Piano – Kathy Springer
Trumpet – Pete Shungu
Children's story – Pete Shungu
Scripture – Matt Klopfenstein
Sharing & prayer – Pastor Deb
Greeters – Kaye Massanari & Kristy Rice
Sound system – Tammie Bouseman
Visuals – Lynne Sancken
Stewards – Bob King & Greg Sancken
Worship nursery – Mary Biddle & Mary Hines
Refreshments – Tina Huang & Bruce Miller

## March 10 Next Sunday at FMC: Lent 1

Worship leader – Phil Martens
Song leader – Pastor Deb
Piano – Cheryl Koranda
Children's story – Pastor Deb
Scripture – Mary Biddle
Sermon, sharing & prayer – Pastor Michael
Greeters – Kaye Massanari & Kristy Rice
Sound system – Tammie Bouseman
Visuals – Lynne Sancken
Stewards – Bob King & Greg Sancken
Worship nursery – Rebecca Bare & Doug Malcolm
Refreshments – Janet Guthrie & Karla Woodson

### Join us after worship for...

#### FELLOWSHIP HOUR - 10:45 am

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.

NEW Quarterly Adult Classes (March - May)
Library - Dismantling the Doctrine of Discovery
Sanctuary - Planning for end-of-life

Ongoing Adult Discussion Groups (year-round)
Coffee and Conversation – Room 5
(downstairs)

Knit and Nurture – Room 13 (downstairs)
Young Adults – Nursery (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)

## THIS WEEK at FMC

For a full listing of events, visit our website at www.fmc-cu.org.

SUN	9:15 AM	Worship (Hymn Sunday)
	10:45 AM	Fellowship & refreshments
	11:15 AM	Sunday school for all ages
	4:00 PM	FMC basement reserved 'til 8pm
	5:00 PM	Young adult gathering at Sutters
TUE	1:00 PM	Retiree Game Day at Andersons
	5:30 PM	Worship Committee
	6:30 PM	FMC Works for Racial Justice Grp
WED	6:30 PM	Ash Wednesday service at FMC
THU	7:00 AM	Early morning Bible study
	9:30 AM	Thursday morning Bible study
	5:00 PM	Property & Finance Committee
SAT	5:00 PM	FMC Game Night for all ages



Set clocks ahead one hour on Sat. evening; Daylight Savings Time begins at 2 am on 3/10

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Our NEW children's offering for the spring and summer benefits DREAAM House, a local non-profit serving families of boys and young men, ages 5-24, through academic programs, mentorship, sports and other learning and community-building activities. Founded by Tracy Dace, a member of the Presbyterian church, DREAAM stands for Driven to Reach Excellence & Academic Achievement for Males and is active in Champaign, Urbana and Rantoul. Learn more at www.dreaam.org.

## **UPCOMING**

SUN 10	9:15 AM 10:45 AM 11:15 AM	Worship (Lent 1) Fellowship & refreshments Sunday school for all ages
WED 13	6:00 PM	FMC Council
THU 14	7:00 AM 9:30 AM	Early morning Bible study Thursday morning Bible study chael out of office March 14-23
FRI 15	IL Mennonite Relief Sale in Bloomington, IL (Fri evening – Saturday)	

<sup>\*</sup>Hymnal #427
\*Benediction

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