

## ANNOUNCEMENTS *and* BIRTHDAYS

**BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK:** Henry Thomas (TODAY), Sheryl Nisly-Nagele (WED), Ally Welty Peachey (FRI)

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**Adults are invited to contribute toward the children's offering for the DREAM House (see box with information inside the bulletin).** You can bring your contribution forward or give it to a child as he/she comes forward for the children's story.

**Today at 11:15 AM - Lee Melhado, chair of the C-U Jewish Burial Society, will be a guest speaker in the Preparing for End of Life SS class.** She will be talking about Jewish funeral traditions (little changed since the time of Jesus) and how they are carried out in the context of Illinois regulations. This should be of particular interest to those who wish to have a greener burial. All are invited to attend!

**This Saturday, May 11, 8 am - Noon - FMC Spring Work Day. Please join us in sprucing up the church and grounds.** Sign up downstairs or use the link in Tuesday's email. Donuts & coffee will be provided.

**The Christian Education Committee is still looking for another member.** If you are interested in learning more, talk to Pastor Michael.

**The Central District Conference (CDC) meeting in Milwaukee, WI is coming soon – June 27-29.** Contact Pastor Michael this week if you would like to be a delegate. First Mennonite is a member of the CDC, one of 19 conferences that make up Mennonite Church USA. The CDC has an affiliation of 43 congregations from Indiana, Illinois, Michigan, Ohio, Wisconsin, Georgia, North Carolina, and Virginia.

**A heartfelt "thank you" to all who attended the mystery lunch/silent auction this past Sunday.** The youth enjoyed hosting the meal and appreciated the lunch donations and bids, totaling over \$2,500 (combined). These funds will help them attend the youth MC USA convention this July. Any outstanding payments for auction items can be brought to the office (make checks payable to "First Mennonite Church" with "MYF auction" in memo line. Questions about the auction or payments for an auction item? Contact Chuck Gibson.

**Graduation Sunday, May 19** - Join us during worship and fellowship hour as we celebrate our graduates.

**SAVE!**  
**the DATE!**

**Thursday, June 6 – The Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary "Trail of Death" pilgrimage group will be at FMC for a potluck meal and educational event.** Come learn about the Potawatomi who were forcibly removed from their homeland and marched west by the U.S. military. All are welcome.

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## Celebration *of* Worship

May 5, 2019

### Centering chimes

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

### Prelude

\*Hymnal #26 "Holy Spirit, come with power"

### Welcome & prayer

### Call to worship (based on Psalm 30)

Leader: We exalt you, Lord, for you have pulled us up.

**People: We cry out for help, O God, and you put us back together.**

Leader: We were on our way to the depths below, but you restored our lives.

**People: You have dressed us in joy so that our whole beings might sing praises to you.**

Leader: Sing your hearts out to God!

**ALL: Praise the Lord, all who are loyal to God! Praise God's holy name!**

\*Hymnal #121 "Holy God, we praise thy name"

\*Hymnal #116 "Crown him with many crowns"

### \*Passing the peace

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

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

### Scripture: Acts 9:1-20 (page 1002)

**Sermon** *Met by the mercy of God*

**Special music** Nocturne *by Lili Boulanger*

**Offering** (prayer cards collected)

### Offertory & prayer

### Sharing and prayer

### Introduction of guests

### Work of the church

\*Hymnal #420 "Heart with loving heart united"

### \*Benediction

*\*Stand if you are able*



# Be Transformed



We welcome, without exclusion, all who seek God's love and grace. You are welcome here, inclusive of gender, race, country of origin, ethnicity, sexual orientation, sexual identity, socioeconomic status, family status, past imprisonment, education, citizenship status, political affiliation, physical or mental abilities. We encourage you to share in the rituals, fellowship and ministry of this congregation.

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** – Beverly Birkey Potts  
**Piano** – Pastor Deb  
**Prelude & Offertory** – Sarah and Anna Lubinski  
**Special music** – Jill Burlingame & Pastor Deb  
**Children's story** – Rebecca Bare  
**Scripture** – Ken Nafziger  
**Sermon, sharing & prayer** – Pastor Michael  
**Greeters** – Jan Sabey & Greg Sancken  
**Sound system** – Randy Nelson  
**Visuals** – Rachel Horst Lehman  
**Stewards** – Emerson Nafziger & Bruce Miller  
**Worship nursery** – Judy Nafziger & Phil Martens  
**Refreshments** – Chuck & Rhonda Gibson

## May 12 (Mother's Day) Next Sunday at FMC:

**Worship leader** – Sheryl Dyck  
**Song leader** – Steve Rayburn  
**Piano** – Pam Peña Martin  
**Children's story** – Mary Biddle  
**Scripture** – Angela Willilams  
**Sermon, sharing & prayer** – Pastor Michael  
**Greeters** – Jan Sabey & Greg Sancken  
**Sound system** – Randy Nelson  
**Visuals** – Rachel Horst Lehman  
**Stewards** – Emerson Nafziger & Bruce Miller  
**Worship nursery** – Melissa Shungu & Tina Huang  
**Refreshments** – Clark & Cindy Breeze

## 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.

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

<b>SUN</b>	9:15 AM	Worship, followed by fellowship and Sunday school for all ages
	12:15 PM	Christian Ed Cmte at Einsteins
	2:00 PM	FMC reserved for recitals 'til 9 pm
<b>MON</b>	9:00 AM	Child's Nature using nursery & children's classrooms 'til 5 pm
	6:15 PM	FMC softball game at Dodds Park, field #6
<b>TUE</b>	1:00 PM	Retiree Game Day at Springers
	5:30 PM	Worship Committee
	6:30 PM	FMC Works for Racial Justice
<b>WED</b>	6:00 PM	FMC Council
<b>THU</b>	7:00 AM	Early morning Bible study
	9:30 AM	Thursday morning Bible study Pastor peer mtg. in Normal, IL
<b>FRI</b>	8:30 AM	FMC basement reserved all day for Restorative Justice Training (pt. 2)
<b>SAT</b>	8:00 AM	FMC Spring Work Day until Noon

## UPCOMING

<b>SUN</b> <b>12</b>	9:15 AM	Worship
	10:45 AM	Fellowship (special refreshments in honor of mothers)
	11:15 AM 5:00 PM	Sunday school for all ages FMC reserved for recital 'til 8 pm
<b>MON</b> <b>13</b>	9:00 AM	Child's Nature uses FMC children's rooms/nursery 'til 5 pm
	6:15 PM	FMC softball game; Dodds park (field 6)
<i>Pastor Deb out of office May 13-19</i>		
<b>THU</b> <b>16</b>	7:00 AM	Early morning Bible study
	9:30 AM	Thursday morning Bible study



Our 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.dream.org](http://www.dream.org).