

## ANNOUNCEMENTS *and* BIRTHDAYS

**BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK:** Greg Sancken (THU) & Allen Majors (SAT)

**TODAY – FMC welcomes guest preacher Dr. Safwat Marzouk, Associate Professor of Old Testament/Hebrew Bible at Associated Mennonite Biblical Seminary (Elkhart, IN).** Dr. Marzouk grew up where interfaith dialogue among Christians, Jews and Muslims influences daily life. As a Christian in Egypt, he focused on studying the Old Testament to better understand God's vision of shalom. An ordained member of The Synod of the Nile (a counterpart to the Presbyterian Church), Safwat was a pastor in Egypt and also while completing a doctoral program at Princeton Theological Seminary. He was a teaching fellow at Princeton and has been an adjunct professor at Saint Joseph's University (Philadelphia, PA). His love of teaching, his pastoral heart and scholarly curiosity foster classroom discussions that bring compelling insights to ancient texts.

**Next Sunday, Nov 17 – Deadline for Care Package donations. The Christian Education Committee invites your participation as it prepares the care packages for our college undergraduates.** Detailed flyers are on the collection table by the office.

**Andrea Welty Peachey is coordinating a men's ensemble to sing Ave Maria during the December 15 worship service.** Interested men should contact Andrea by next Sunday, November 17. There will be at least one rehearsal prior to December 15, and Andrea will work out the date(s) and time(s) with the participants.

**November is here and Advent is fast approaching.** Traditionally, we plan to have extra music during Advent. If you are interested in offering music (playing a solo or organizing an ensemble), please let Pastor Deb know what dates of Advent would work for you.

**Thanks to those who have recently donated to our food pantry.** Donations are always welcome and the shopping list for the requested items is located in the wall rack by the office and on our [church website \(click peace and justice tab, then local services\)](#). The pantry cupboard is now located in the JYF room; all donations should be dropped off there. Your support is greatly appreciated!

**Interested in participating in the all-church production of the musical Fiddler on the Roof but weren't able to attend last week's meeting?** Please let Pastor Deb ([debra.sutter@fmc-cu.org](mailto:debra.sutter@fmc-cu.org)) or Shawn Rodriguez ([09skronk@gmail.com](mailto:09skronk@gmail.com)) know right away!

**Thursday, November 14 at 2 pm (EST) or 8 pm (EST) - Everence® hosts a free webinar, "Performing a financial health check-up".** Learn about steps to build healthy financial habits, prevent debt and set goals to be where you want to be. To register: contact Melissa Short at 800-348-7468 ext. 3392 or [melissa.short@everence.com](mailto:melissa.short@everence.com).



### *Upcoming Special Services at FMC*

**November 17** –Colombian sister church Sunday (9:15 am)

**November 24** – Thanksgiving Sunday with a special offering for a local charity (9:15 am); Thanksgiving potluck (12 pm)

**December 1** – Advent 1 Worship (9:15 am)

Chrismon Service (6:30 pm) - Come decorate the tree with symbols of Christ's life while singing hymns and carols and listening to scripture. The service is for all ages; invite friends.



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## Celebration *of* Worship

November 10, 2019

*Cultivating Hope in Anxious Times*

**Centering chimes**

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

**\*Green songbook #59** “Confitemini Domino (Come and fill our hearts)”  
(vs. 1 – peace, vs. 2 – love, vs. 3 hope, vs. 4 any language)

**Welcome & prayer**

**\*Call to worship** (*adapted from the Iona Abbey Worship Book*)

Leader: Gathered together -- the familiar and the unknown,  
residents and sojourners, for the first time or the umpteenth time,

**People: come, Holy Spirit**

Leader: Gathered together -- where lively saints and brilliant hearts have worshiped,  
where the Potawatomi and the Kickapoo, the Peoria and the Piankeshaw  
have been displaced, where pilgrims and puzzled have prayed,  
where God has been seen and unseen,

**People: come, Holy Spirit**

Leader: Gathered together -- not knowing what we have in common,  
not sure, perhaps, why we are here, unable to read God's mind,

**People: come, Holy Spirit**

Leader: To open doors, dispel fears, establish friendships,  
reveal what is in us, and bring us closer to Christ,

**People: come Holy Spirit. Meet us here.**

**\*Hymnal #325** “Creating God, your fingers trace”

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

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

**\*Hymnal #400** “Santo, santo, santo (Holy, holy, holy)”

**Scripture: Genesis 41:25-45** (*page 37*)

**Sermon**

**\*Green songbook #58**

**Offering** (prayer cards collected)

**Offertory & prayer**

**Sharing and prayer**

**Introduction of guests**

**Work of the church**

**\*Green songbook #57**

**\*Benediction**

*Migratory encounter that unlocks human dreams*

“Who has known the mind of Jesus?”

“Mayenziwe (Your will be done)”

*\*Stand if you are able*



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** – Pastor Michael  
**Song Leader** – Pastor Deb  
**Pianist** – Kathy Springer  
**Children's story** – Marcia Nelson  
**Scripture** – Bob King  
**Sermon** – Dr. Safwat Marzouk, Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary  
**Sharing & prayer** – Pastor Michael  
**Greeters** – Randy Nelson & Rosalee Otto  
**Sound system** – Tammie Bouseman  
**Visuals** – Cheryl Koranda  
**Stewards** – Clark Breeze & George Ordal  
**Worship nursery** – Mary Biddle & Rebecca Bare  
**Refreshments** – Sharon Monday & Bob Hudson

**Next Sunday, November 17**  
**Scripture: Isaiah 65:17-25**

**Worship leader** – Sheryl Dyck  
**Music** – Worship Band  
**Children's story** – Lynne Sancken  
**Scripture** – Matt Klopfenstein  
**Sermon, sharing & prayer** – Pastor Michael  
**Greeters** – Randy Nelson & Rosalee Otto  
**Sound system** – Tammie Bouseman  
**Visuals** – Cheryl Koranda  
**Stewards** – Clark Breeze & George Ordal  
**Worship nursery** – Mary Hines & Abby Crosby  
**Refreshments** – Denny & Nancy Seaman

Today after worship...

**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** (Sep - Nov)

Library – Words Come Alive  
Sanctuary – Immigration & the Bible in C-U and Beyond

**Ongoing Adult Discussion Groups** (year-round)

**Coffee & Conversation** – Room 5 (downstairs)  
**Young Adults** – Room 13 (downstairs)  
**Knit and Nurture** – Nursery (downstairs)

**Children & Youth Classes** (downstairs)

**2-4 yrs.** – Room 6  
**Grade K-5** – Room 10/11  
**Grades 6-12** – 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 ( <i>Guest speaker - Dr. Marzouk from AMBS</i> ); followed by fellowship and Sunday school
	3:00 PM	I'd Like to Buy an Enemy 2.0 (in Lincoln Hall Theater on UI campus)
<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 <i>Pastor Peer mtg in Normal, IL (all morning); Pastor Michael is out of the office all day</i>

**UPCOMING**

<b>SUN</b>	9:15 AM	Worship ( <i>joint service with El Divino Redentor</i> ); followed by fellowship and Sunday school
<b>17</b>	12:00 PM	CE meeting in library
	2:00 PM	FMC reserved for a recital
	6:00 PM	Youth taco dinner & game night at Pastor Deb's house
<b>MON</b>	1:00 PM	Retiree Game Day at Breezes
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<b>WED</b>	10:00 AM	Pastoral Support Committee
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<b>THU</b>	7:00 AM	Early morning Bible study
<b>21</b>	9:30 AM	Thursday Morning Bible study
	10:30 AM	Sister Church Committee
	5:00 PM	Service & Outreach Committee
<b>FRI</b>	2:00 PM	FMC reserved from 2 - 5:30 pm
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<b>SAT</b>	10:00 AM	FMC reserved from 10 am - 6 pm
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Our Fall/Winter children's offering benefits Church World Service (CWS), a faith-based organization transforming communities around the globe through just and sustainable responses to hunger, poverty, displacement and disaster. CWS partners with Mennonite Central Committee in various capacities to do this important work.