

ANNOUNCEMENTS *and* BIRTHDAYS

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK: Sam Cox & Kristy Rice (FRI)

Next Sunday during worship – Thanksgiving service. A special offering will be taken to benefit Salt and Light.

Next Sunday at Noon – All are invited to stay after Sunday school for our annual FMC Thanksgiving potluck. Please bring a nut-free dish to share.

Next Sunday after the potluck - The Worship Committee would appreciate a little help decorating the church for Advent.

Next Sunday – Submission deadline for the December/January issue of the VINE. Email submissions to fmcvine@gmail.com.

Next Sunday, 5 pm at the YMCA - People's Supper. Join us for an evening of food and table conversation with people of other faiths. Registration is required. Folks can sign up at the following link: <https://universityymca.org/interfaith/the-peoples-supper/>.

Andrea Welty Peachey is coordinating a men's ensemble to sing Ave Maria during the December 15 worship service. Interested men should contact Andrea TODAY. 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.

Sunday, December 1, 6:30 pm at FMC – Advent begins with our annual Chrismon service. 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. A freewill offering will be taken for Anne Garber Kompaore.

Saturday, December 14 at 6 pm – Progressive Dinner. For this FMC Christmas tradition, guests travel to separate homes for appetizer and main course, gathering together in one home for dessert. The meal is for adults and high school youth and requires reservations. Sign up to attend or host; we are hoping for a new dessert host this year. Sign-up downstairs or online (link will be in Tuesday's email) by December 4. Assignments will be distributed December 8. Contact Marcia sunboat@soltec.net with questions.

Discounted group rates are available to those wishing to subscribe to The Mennonite (a monthly magazine of MC USA). The group rate for 2020 remains at \$37/year. If you wish to subscribe, please contact the church office by Friday, November 29. Checks should be made payable to FMC with "The Mennonite" in memo line. FMC pays one large check when placing the order, so we appreciate having individual payments on hand before sending the check.

2019 FMC budget update - General offerings in 2019 to date have totaled \$208,865, an average of \$4,641 per week. To meet our budget plan, we need \$5,103 per week throughout the year. Therefore, to support committee work, church expenses, and our planned missions giving approximately \$56,498, or \$8,071 per week, is still needed in offerings by the end of December.

New additions to the paper FMC directory (please write in your paper copy; information already in online/app version):

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FIRST MENNONITE CHURCH OF CHAMPAIGN URBANA
A congregation of Mennonite Church USA

Celebration *of* Worship

November 17, 2019

Colombian Sister Church Sunday

Centering chimes

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

Prelude

***Song (insert)** “Abre mis ojos (Open the eyes of my heart)”

Welcome & prayer

***Call to worship (adapted from a litany by Daira Elsa Quiñones, Bogotá)**

Leader: Let us cherish this day the Lord has made:

People: A day full of love and peace.

Leader: Because we are a family

People: All of us, men and women, have everything we need.

Leader: We pray today for peace with justice.

We pray for our children and relatives, for our friends,

People: for all of our brothers and sisters across the world who struggle for justice, and for ourselves.

Leader: Help us to promote the spiritual, moral, social, economic and political growth that our great family throughout the world needs.

People: Thank you for your Holy Spirit which joins us as one body, the church, to reach this goal.

ALL: Amen.

***Green songbook #12** “Cantai ao Senhor (O sing to the Lord)”

***Passing the peace**

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

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

***Purple songbook #124** “My soul cries out”

Introduction of guests

Work of the church

Introducing FMC sister church El Divino Redentor

LIVE VIDEO STREAM WITH EL DIVINO REDENTOR

Exchange of congregational blessings *(small insert)*

Singing together "Majesty" *(small insert)*

Goodbyes

Scripture **Malachi 4:1-2a** *(page 875)* & **Luke 21:1-19** *(page 961)*

Sermon **Pastor Michael and Pastor Sergio**

Offering *(prayer cards collected)*

Offertory & prayer *Make me a channel of your peace*

Sharing and prayer

*Green songbook #69 "Cuando el pobre (When the poor ones)"

*Benediction

**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 – 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

Next Sunday: Thanksgiving Sunday
Scripture: Psalm 46 & Luke 23:33-43

Worship leader – Keith Springer
Song leader – Matt Yoder
Piano – Ruth Stoltzfus
Children's story – Mary Biddle
Scripture – Jan Sabey
Sermon, sharing & prayer – Pastor Michael
Greeters – Randy Nelson & Rosalee Otto
Sound system – Tammie Bouseman
Visuals – Cheryl Koranda
Stewards – Clark Breeze & George Ordal
Worship nursery – Perry Biddle & Judy Nafziger
Refreshments – Jon & Andrea Welty Peachey

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)



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.

THIS WEEK at FMC

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

SUN	9:15 AM	Worship; followed by fellowship and Sunday school
	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
MON	1:00 PM	Retiree Game Day at Breezes
WED	10:00 AM	Pastoral Support Committee
THU	7:00 AM	Early morning Bible study
	9:30 AM	Thursday Morning Bible study
	10:30 AM	Sister Church Committee
	5:00 PM	Service & Outreach Committee
FRI	2:00 PM	FMC reserved from 2 - 5:30 pm
SAT	10:00 AM	FMC reserved from 10 am - 6 pm

UPCOMING

SUN 24	9:15 AM	Worship <i>(Thanksgiving Sunday)</i> ; followed by fellowship and Sunday school
	12:00 PM	Thanksgiving potluck
	6:00 PM	Interfaith dinner conversations at Y

Deadline - VINE submissions: fmcvine@gmail.com

WED 27		Rhonda and Michael out of office
THU 28		<i>Thanksgiving</i> FMC office closed
FRI 29		FMC office closed