GENDER, SEXUALITY, and SOCIETY
What does our inclusive welcome mean? We will explore concepts of gender identity and sexual orientation, including LGBTQIA justice issues and themes affecting society, from a faith perspective. This class is meant for everyone at FMC who wants to learn more about themselves and those who are different from them regarding gender and sexuality. Enrich your experience of the Gender and Sexuality worship theme coming in early 2020 by attending this class.

In response to church council’s congregational priority to seek educational opportunities about "the spectrums of gender & sexuality and the use of inclusive language," this is an all-church endeavor. The youth will be engaging parallel themes and will join the adults some weeks for intergenerational discussion. Please join this important work as we embrace God's call to be a sanctuary community "for all who seek God's love and grace."

Location: Sanctuary
Facilitation Team: Amanda Heinsman, Janet Liechty, Lynne Sancken, Michael Crosby, Pete Shungu

COFFEE AND CONVERSATION
Take part in informal discussion of current events and faith questions. Topics for conversation change weekly and arise from within the group. All are welcome.
Location: Downstairs in room 5

KNIT AND NURTURE
All are invited to join a supportive sharing and praying environment while knitting for charities such as Mennonite Central Committee and dishcloths for FMC food pantry services. Non-knitters are welcome, too! The group also provides nursery care during Sunday school.
Location: Nursery (downstairs) Facilitator: Bev Hertle

YOUNG ADULTS
Anyone who is beyond high school age and feels like a young adult is welcome. We will meet at 11 am downstairs, then join the sexuality Sunday school upstairs at 11:15 am.
Location: Room 13 (downstairs) Facilitator: Pastor Deb

TWO - THREE YEAR OLDS
Location: Room 6 (downstairs)
Teacher: Kathy Anderson, with helpers Megan Cox & Perry Biddle
First Mennonite Church uses MennoMedia’s curriculum, Wee Wonder, for two and three year-olds. Wee Wonder introduces young children to God through song, action rhymes, Bible stories and responsive play.

GRADES K-5
Location: Room 10/11 (downstairs)
Teachers: Lesley Deem & Bob King, with helpers
First Mennonite Church uses MennoMedia’s curriculum, Shine: Living in God’s Light, for children and middle school classes. The Shine curriculum explores important characters and themes from the Bible in a 3-year cycle. The theme this winter is “Journeys with Jesus” and features stories of Jesus from the book of Matthew.

GRADES 7 - 12 (YOUTH)
Location: Room 7 (downstairs)
Teachers/sponsors: Tammie Bouseman, Pete Shungu & Matt Yoder
Middle School and High School Youth will combine for Sunday School this year. They will use components of the Shine curriculum alongside topics that arise within the group. The youth also meet outside of Sunday mornings for service, learning, fellowship, and fun.