

ANNOUNCEMENTS *and* BIRTHDAYS

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK: Nora Anderson & Jill Schreiber (FRI), Laurence Koehn (SAT)

TODAY – 2019 Committee reports and the 2020 proposed spending plan are in FMC mailboxes for review ahead of our annual congregational meeting next Sunday (Jan. 19) at 1 pm. Child care will be provided. Please plan to attend.

This Wednesday, January 15 at 1 pm – Retiree Game Day at the home of Rosalee Otto (1806C Lakeside Dr. in Champaign). Refreshments will be provided. Please bring a snack and game to share and let Tammie Bouseman know if you plan to attend.

Next Sunday, January 19 at Noon - Baked potato bar & dessert fundraiser lunch for CU at Home's One Winter Night. Rebecca Bare and Rea Koehn will be our FMC box dwellers this year and we would like to raise \$2,000 in support of their efforts. In addition to the baked potato bar fundraiser, you can give online to their team at: <https://secure.qgiv.com/event/account/915437/>. Please note that the online goal lists \$1,000, but that is the goal for each team member (in our case, 2 members).

Next Sunday, January 19 - Service and Outreach Committee needs help providing toppings for the potato bar. Sign-up online by visiting Signup Genius at: <https://tinyurl.com/sbazgk7>.

Next Sunday, January 19 - the Gender, Sexuality, & Society Sunday School class will feature an intergenerational conversation led by Zev Alexandar, Youth Program Coordinator for the UP Center. Everyone middle school and older is encouraged to attend.

February 1, 6 pm – Our annual Menno Night dinner and talent show will be held at Lodgic in Champaign. Time to get your act(s) together - music, poetry, humor, skits, etc. All ages high school and older are welcome to attend; sign-up sheets will be available soon as well as an online line registration option.

Saturday, January 25, starting at 3 pm at Bethel AME Church (401 E Park St, C) - Our congregation has been invited to attend an informal Welcome Reception for Rev. Terrance L. Thomas and his family. He is the new pastor at Bethel AME Church.

Save the date: February 22, 2020 - CDC West Regional Gathering at Madison Mennonite Church, Madison, Wisconsin, 10am - 3pm. Contact [Pastor Michael](#) if you are interested in attending.

Save the date: February 15 at Menno Haven - Annual Illinois Mennonite Conference meeting. Contact [Pastor Michael](#) or FMC Council chair [Karen McKenzie](#) if you would like to attend.

March 16-20 – Living Legacy Pilgrimage: A Multigenerational Civil Rights Pilgrimage. This 5-day pilgrimage, designed for ages 12 and older, focuses on exploring the sacred American Civil Rights Movement sites in Alabama, Mississippi, and Tennessee. Registration is open and there are discounts through January 21. Janet Elaine Guthrie and Mark Jaeger plan to take part and invite you to join them. Detailed flyers are available on the table near the office and on the bulletin board.

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A congregation of Mennonite Church USA

Celebration *of* Worship

January 12, 2020

Centering chimes

Lighting of the 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**

Leader: Creator God,

In your time, you created all things, and wove into their fabric a yearning for you.

People: Spirit, bless our souls with yearning.

Leader: It is this yearning within us that pulls us to seek your Spirit.

People: Spirit, bless our souls with yearning.

Leader: Take these moments, O Lord, and complete them in us.

May our yearning bring forth a new creation in you.

ALL: Spirit, bless our souls with yearning. Amen.

***Hymnal #46**

“I sing the mighty power of God”

***Hymnal #118**

“Praise God from whom”

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

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

Scripture: Isaiah 42:1-9 (*page 657*) & **Matthew 3:13-17** (*page 881*)

Sermon

Blessed servanthood

***Purple songbook #39**

“Will you come and follow me”

Offering (*prayer cards collected*)

Offertory and prayer

Congregational sharing & prayer

Blessing for SEMILLA learning tour

Introduction of guests

Work of the church

***Hymnal 427**

“You shall go out with joy”

***Benediction**

**Stand if you are able*

The call to worship was written to celebrate the growing friendship between the Mennonite Central District Conference (CDC) and SEMILLA, a Mennonite Seminary in Guatemala City, Guatemala. Several members of CDC congregations are participating in a learning tour on January 16-26 to SEMILLA. Your prayers are appreciated for this time of learning and relationship building.



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 – Ken Nafziger
Song Leader – Rafael Luquis
Pianist – Kathy Springer
Children's story – Tammie Bouseman
Scripture – Rosalee Otto
Sermon, sharing & prayer – Pastor Deb
Greeters – Rebecca Bare & Marlin Sieber
Sound system – Emerson Nafziger
Visuals – Lynne Sancken (banner)
Stewards – Bruce Miller & Cynthia Nafziger
Worship nursery – Lesley Deem & Ally Welty Peachey
Refreshments – Shawn & Natalya Rodriguez

Next Sunday, January 19

Worship leader – Sam Cox
Song Leader – Pastor Deb
Pianist – Ruth Stoltzfus
Children's story – Lesley Deem
Scripture – Janet Guthrie
Sermon, sharing & prayer – Pastor Michael
Greeters – Rebecca Bare & Marlin Sieber
Sound system – Emerson Nafziger
Visuals – Lynne Sancken (banner)
Stewards – Bruce Miller & Cynthia Nafziger
Worship nursery – Doug Malcolm & Liesl Schrag
Refreshments – Sarah Little & Rosalee Otto

Join us 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 Class (Dec-Feb)
Sanctuary – Gender, Sexuality & Society

Ongoing Adult Discussion Groups (year-round)
Coffee & Conversation – Room 5 (downstairs)
Young Adults - 11-11:15 am in Room 13 (downstairs), then join quarterly adult class
Knit and Nurture – Nursery (downstairs)

Children & Youth Classes (downstairs)
2-4 yrs. – Room 6
Grade K-5 – Room 10/11
Grades 6-12 – Upstairs with adults today.
(Nursery care provided for children birth to age 2)



Our 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 (MCC) 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
	10:15 AM	Fellowship & refreshments
	11:15 AM	Sunday school <i>Annual reports/Proposed 2020 Spending Plan in FMC mailbox</i>
WED	1:00 PM	Retiree Game Day at Rosalee Otto's home
THU	7:00 AM	Early Bible study
	10:30 AM	Sister Church Committee

UPCOMING

SUN	9:15 AM	Worship
19	10:15 AM	Fellowship & refreshments
	11:15 AM	Sunday school
	12:00 PM	Baked potato bar fundraiser for One Winter Night
	1:00 PM	Annual Congregational meeting
WED	6:00 PM	Spiritual Leadership Team
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THU	7:00 AM	Early Bible study
23	9:30 AM	Thursday morning Bible study
SAT	3:00 PM	Informal Welcome Reception for Rev. Terrance L. Thomas and his family. Rev. Thomas is the new pastor at Bethel AME Church
SUN	9:15 AM	Worship
26	10:15 AM	Fellowship & refreshments
	11:15 AM	Sunday school

Deadline for Feb/March Vine submissions: fmcvine@gmail.com