



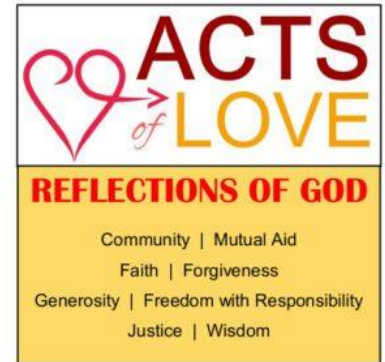
WELCOME TO FIRST MENNONITE CHURCH
of Champaign-Urbana

Following Christ. Nurturing Community. Seeking Peace with Justice.

Celebration of Worship

January 30, 2022

Love as an Act of Faith



Centering chimes

Prelude

Welcome & prayer

***Voices Together #39** "As We Rise, O God, to Meet You"

***Call to worship** (from Psalm 23)

Leader: The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

People: He makes me lie down in green pastures.

Leader: He leads me beside still waters.

People: He restores my soul.

Leader: He leads me in paths of righteousness

People: for his name's sake.

Leader: Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,

People: I will fear no evil, for you are with me;

Leader: your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

People: You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;

Leader: you anoint my head with oil;

People: my cup overflows.

Leader: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,

People: and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

***Voices Together #715** "Longing for Light"

Children's story and offering for the United Front Against River Blindness

Congregation sings as children come forward (Voices Together #512)

Scripture 1 Corinthians 4:1-15; Luke 4:14-21

Sermon

***Voices Together #11** "Mountain of God"

Offering prayer

Meditation music

(offerings can be placed in the offering plates as the ushers come by to collect offerings)

Congregational sharing and prayer

(use a mic or text email prayers and announcements to Pastors Michael or Deb)

Introduction of visitors

Work of the church

***Voices Together #768** "Come What May (Pase lo que pase, ¡ven!)"

***Benediction**

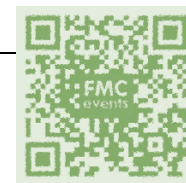
**Stand if you are able*

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 and physical or mental abilities. We encourage you to share in the rituals, fellowship and ministry of this congregation.

Hearing devices (T-coil and over-ear) and large print hymnals are available from the greeters.

Childcare (birth – preschool) is not currently being provided.



TODAY

Worship 9:15am

THURSDAY

Early Morning Bible Study 7am (Zoom)
 Thursday Morning Bible Study 9:30am (Zoom)
 Racial Justice Working Group 3pm (Zoom)

TUESDAY

Anti-Racism Audit Cmte 6:30pm (Zoom)

FRIDAY

One Winter night fundraiser (FMC fenced yard) 6 pm Fri – 6 am Sat.
 Visit our team members as they sleep in cardboard boxes to raise funds for CU at Home.

ANNOUNCEMENT HIGHLIGHTS (more announcements in the email sent each Tuesday)

Pastor Deb will be out of the office all of February; this time away is the final piece of her sabbatical.

TODAY, January 30 – Deadline for submissions for the next Vine. Submissions can be emailed to Cindi Schieber.

This Friday, February 4 – CU at Home's One Winter Night event to raise awareness and funds to help the homeless in our community. Peter Dyck, Rea Koehn and Rebecca Bare will participate in the event on behalf of FMC. Links to their donation pages can be found in the Tuesday emails and also on the [CU at Home event page](#). You are invited to sign-up for a 2-hour shift between 10 pm – 6 am as part of our "FMC Peacekeeper" campfire vigil. **We hope to have at least one person per shift.** Sign up at: <https://tinyurl.com/2unu66dn> or use this QR code.



This Saturday, February 5 or Saturday, March 5, 8:30-10:45 am CDT - Mid-Year CDC Gatherings via Zoom. The focus will be on the theme of Tending Transformation. Several congregations will share stories about how God is calling them to be transformed in their communities. Participants will also talk together about exciting things happening in the CDC conference. **Congregations are invited to choose to join a Zoom Video call on either Feb 5 or March 5.** Links to the Zoom meeting and a copy of the schedule will be in the Tuesday email.

Starting Mid-February – All FMC attendees high school and older are invited to join a Zoom Anti-Racism Conversation group to discuss the intersections of Christian discipleship, race past and present, and FMC. Groups will meet for 75 minutes once per week for 6 weeks. An email and sign-up will be sent later this morning. Please sign-up by Tuesday, February 8.

The LENT planning group would like to publish a list of personally meaningful ideas that people at FMC have done during LENT. If you have a practice meaningful to you and are willing to share with others, please email it to Neta Jackson by February 20.

Saturday, March 12 – Illinois Mennonite Conference (IMC) Annual Meeting will be held on Zoom. Please contact Pastor Michael if you are interested in serving as a delegate.

The Committee assigned by Council to find a way to re-purpose our pews is checking in with some Mennonite churches that might be interested in all of the pews and we have other ideas if that does not work. **But we are interested in any leads you may have or ideas on what paths we might pursue.** Please e-mail or call any of the committee members: Tammie Bouseman (Convener), Martha Moore, Wilmer Otto and Keith Springer. Further information will be available in the next "Vine."

THANK YOU TO THOSE WHO HELPED TODAY:

Visuals: Worship Committee
 Greeters: Karen McKenzie & Jon Welty Peachey
 Worship Leader/Scripture Reader: Thom Moore
 Song Leader: Pastor Deb
 Pianist: Jan Kellogg
 Children's Story: Lesley Deem
 Sermon: Pastor Michael
 Sharing & Work of the Church: Pastors Michael & Deb
 Sound System & Tech: Phil Martens & Laurence Koehn
 Stewards: Rebecca Bare & Chuck Gibson

NEXT SUNDAY (FEB 6) AT FMC:

Theme: Love as an Act of Forgiveness
 Scripture: 1 Corinthians 15:1-11; Luke 5:1-11
 Visuals: Worship Committee
 Greeters: Tammie Bouseman & Perry Biddle
 Worship Leader/Scripture Reader: Randy Nelson
 Song Leader: Matt Yoder
 Pianist: Kathy Springer
 Children's Story: Abby Crosby
 Sermon: Pastor Michael
 Sharing & Work of the Church: Pastor Michael
 Sound System & Tech: Phil Martens & Chuck Gibson
 Stewards: Bob King & Laurence Koehn

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