



WELCOME TO FIRST MENNONITE CHURCH
of Champaign-Urbana

Following Christ. Nurturing Community. Seeking Peace with Justice.

Celebration of Worship

May 29, 2022

Centering chimes

Prelude

***Voices Together #428** "Praise with Joy the World's Creator"

Welcome & prayer

***Call to worship** (*adapted from Psalm 97*)

Leader: The Lord is King; let the earth rejoice; let the multitude of isles be glad!

People: Clouds and darkness are round about God. Righteousness and justice are the foundations of God's throne.

Leader: God's lightnings light up the world; the earth sees it and is afraid.

People: The mountains melt like wax at the presence of the Lord.

Leader: The heavens declare God's righteousness, and all the peoples see God's glory.

People: Light is planted like seed for the righteous person; joy too for those whose heart is right.

ALL: Rejoice in the Lord and give thanks to God's holy name!

***Voices Together #720** "O God in Heaven"

Children's story and offering for Feeding Our Kids

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

Scripture Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-221 and John 17:20-26

Sermon

***Voices Together #685** "O Lord, Hear My Prayer"

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 & Zoom guests

Work of the church

***Voices Together #455** "Make Us One"

***Benediction**

**Stand in body or in spirit*

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 provided in the nursery downstairs.

TODAY AFTER WORSHIP

Fellowship is welcome (no refreshments served); please remain masked. Education opportunities for all ages will be held from 11-11:45 am. Snacks for children PreK-Grade School are available downstairs before Sunday school. Childcare for infants and toddlers is provided in the nursery.

ADULT CLASSES:

Stories of Repair – Sanctuary
Leaning into God's Presence – Library (see note below)
Coffee & Conversation – Room 5 (downstairs)

CHILDREN & YOUTH CLASSES:

Pre-K/K – Room 10/11 (downstairs)
Grades 1-5 – Room 3 (downstairs)
Grades 6-12 – Room 7 (downstairs)



FMC EVENTS THIS WEEK (Visit www.fmc-cu.org/events for event details)

TODAY

Deadline for Vine submissions
Leaning into God's Presence will not meet today.

MONDAY

No softball (due to Memorial Day)

THURSDAY

Racial Justice Working Group 3pm (Zoom)
Hospitality & Fellowship Cmte at FMC 5:30p

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

TODAY

- **Deadline for submissions for the Vine.** Email submissions to Cindi Schieber
- **The Sunday School class, Leaning into God's Presence will not meet.** It resumes next Sunday, June 5.

Thank you to Sarah Lake Rayburn for bringing us today's message. Sarah grew up at FMC and is currently a seminary student at Garrett Theological Seminary in Evanston, IL. She plans to pursue chaplaincy after finishing her degree in Pastoral Care and Counseling. Sarah will be ministering at FMC with Pastor Deb this summer while Pastor Michael is on Sabbatical. She will preach frequently and will offer a conversation series on faith and mental health. We look forward to her time with us this summer!

Next Sunday, June 5 -- Pastor Michael's final Sunday before his summer sabbatical begins (June 6-August 29).

We will have a prayer of blessing for him, as well as for Pastor Deb and congregational leadership as we enter the summer.

Do you have a quilt with a story behind it? We want to feature quilts from FMC attenders as our visuals and will hang quilts at the front of the sanctuary for a week or two. They can be quilts that you made, purchased, or received from someone else. Let Lynne Sancken know if you have a quilt and a short back story (few sentences) to place in the bulletin.

An email from the Pastoral Support Committee was sent earlier this week, inviting you to participate in an online review of Pastor Deb's ministry as she approaches the end of her current five-year appointment. Our practice is to call pastors for 5-year terms and to review the calling together at the end of each term. All who are high school age and older and who have attended for at least six months are welcome to participate. The survey is open through **Wednesday, June 8** and can be accessed via the link in the email or the QR code in the bulletin.



THANK YOU TO THOSE WHO HELPED TODAY:

Greeters: Bev Hertle & Greg Sancken
Worship Leader/Scripture Reader: Sam Cox
Song Leader: Matt Yoder
Accompanist: Kelly Findley; Prelude/Offertory: Cheryl Koranda
Children's Story: Courtney Malcolm
Sermon: Sarah Lake-Rayburn
Sharing & Work of the Church: Sam Cox
Sound System & Tech: Phil Martens & Laurence Koehn
Visuals: Bev Birkey Potts
Worship Nursery: Courtney Malcolm & Joyce Wyse
Stewards: Mary Krick & Tammie Bouseman

NEXT SUNDAY (JUNE 5) AT FMC:

Scripture (Reader's Theater): Acts 2:1-21 and John 14:8-17, 25-27
Greeters: Clark Breeze & Cindi Schieber
Worship Leader: Mary Biddle
Scripture Readers: TBD
Song Leader: Matt Yoder
Piano: Pastor Deb
Children's Story: Lynne Sancken
Sermon & Sharing: Pastor Michael
Zoom: TBD and Sound System: TBD
Visuals: Quilts (Lynne Sancken)
Worship Nursery: Tom Sutter & Doug Malcolm
Stewards: Greg Sancken & Laurence Koehn

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