



WELCOME TO FIRST MENNONITE CHURCH
of Champaign-Urbana

Following Christ. Nurturing Community. Seeking Peace with Justice.

Celebration of Worship

July 24, 2022

Centering chimes

Prelude

***Voices Together #54** "Kindle in Us Your Love"

Welcome & prayer

Call to Worship *Voices Together #855*

***Voices Together #642** "Healing River of the Spirit"

Children's story and offering for Feeding Our Kids

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

Scripture Genesis 18:20-32; 1 Samuel 1:1-20; Luke 11:1-13

Sermon

***Voices Together #682** "Lord, Listen to Your Children"

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 #847** "You Shall Go Out with Joy"

***Benediction**

**Stand in body or in spirit; kids are welcome to stand on the floor in front of the chairs and wave a ribbon during singing.*

Today's Visual – *This fan-patterned quilt was made by an Amish quiltmaker in the Arthur, IL community. It was purchased by Chuck and Rhonda Gibson to celebrate their engagement and wedding, as well as to pass on to their children. At home it hangs on a quilt rack made by Rhonda's brother, Terry, who was a pastor. The rack was used as a visual aid during Terry's homily at their wedding.*

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
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

At end of worship – vote to renew Pastor Deb's 5-year call as Associate Pastor
CE Committee meeting at FMC (12:30p)

MONDAY

Final FMC softball at Dodds Field #6 (7p)

THURSDAY

Service & Outreach Cmte-Zoom (4p)

FRIDAY 29 – SUNDAY 31

RAWtools weekend. Details in Tues. email and on flyer on communications table.

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

TODAY – At the end of worship, we will vote on renewing Pastor Deb's 5-year call as Associate Pastor.

July 29-31 - RAWtools Weekend. Details of weekend events are available on flyers and on our Facebook page; pick up a flyer from our communications table. A link to the flyer will also be sent out in the Tuesday prayer/announcement email.

Sunday, July 31 – Deadlines for August Vine newsletter submissions. Email submissions to: Cindy Schieber.

Friday, August 5 at 7 pm in the Garden Pavilion at Meadowbrook Park (Race St. entrance) - All FMCers are invited to attend an informal party to celebrate of the upcoming wedding of Sarah Lake Rayburn and Nick Peebles.

Saturday, August 13, 10-11:30 am - Worship Workshop. Anyone who currently volunteers as a worship leader, song leader, story teller, pianist, Scripture reader or greeter, along with anyone who would like more information about what volunteering for a role in worship entails, is encouraged to attend. We will look at a few general aspects of our worship services and also divide into groups to share information about specific roles. Please register using the link in the Tuesday emails so that we know how many people to expect.

August 1 - September 11 – Collection of items to make 10 complete MCC Relief Kits. MCC's inventory of kits is getting low and congregations are being invited to donate kits to help replenish their supply. The Service and Outreach Committee invites you to sign-up so that we have the appropriate number of each item to complete the 10 kits. Look for a sign-up link in Tuesday's email or scan the QR code to the right. Please read descriptions of items closely, since MCC requires specific sizes, numbers of items/package, etc. Place donations in the box near the church office no later than September 11. Thank you!



THANK YOU TO THOSE WHO HELPED TODAY:

Greeters: Nancy Seaman & Dave Jackson
Worship Leader: Sheryl Dyck; Scripture Reader: Earl Kellogg
Song Leader: Andrea Welty Peachey; Piano: Cheryl Koranda
Children's Story: Tammie Bouseman
Sermon: Sarah Lake-Rayburn
Sharing & Work of the Church: Pastor Deb
Zoom: Phil Martens; Sound System: Laurence Koehn
Visuals: Quilt (Lynne Sancken, coordinator)
Worship Nursery: Chuck Gibson & Marcia Nelson
Stewards: Bob King & Laurence Koehn

NEXT SUNDAY (JULY 31) AT FMC:

Scripture: Luke 12:13-21
Greeters: Nancy Seaman & Dave Jackson
Worship Leader: Mary Biddle; Scripture Reader: Keith Springer
Song Leader: Cindy Breeze; Piano: Pastor Deb
Children's Story: Lesley Deem
Sermon: Joni Sancken
Sharing & Work of the Church: Pastor Deb
Zoom: Bharat Patel; Sound System: Randy Nelson
Visuals: Quilt (Lynne Sancken, coordinator)
Worship Nursery: Tom Sutter & Karla Woodson
Stewards: Bob King & Laurence Koehn

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