



WELCOME TO FIRST MENNONITE CHURCH  
of Champaign-Urbana

*Following Christ. Nurturing Community. Seeking Peace with Justice.*

## Celebration of Worship

*Fill Your Bucket Sunday - October 23, 2022*

Love One Another



Centering chimes

Prelude

\*Gathering hymn #43

“God, Be the Love”

Welcome & prayer

Call to Worship

Voices Together #851

Children’s story and offering for Kino Border Initiative (KBI)

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

\*Praising hymn #131

“Praise, I Will Praise You, Lord (Je louerai l’Éternel)”

Scripture

Joel 22:23-29 and Luke 18:9-17

Sermon

\*Response hymn #49

“All Who Are Thirsty”

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 Pastor Deb*)

Introduction of visitors

Work of the church

\*Sending hymn #810

“Go, My Friends, in Grace”

\*Benediction

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\*Stand in body or in spirit. Children are invited to wave the ribbons at the front of the sanctuary during the hymns.

**TODAY’S VISUAL:** *This piece was made by Emma Yoder Miller (1884-1980), the paternal great-grandmother of Rebecca Bare. The pattern is Sunbonnet Sue and was made for Rebecca when she was born. Emma was reported to have quilted more than 200 quilts in her lifetime and was very particular about her stitches. One day Rebecca’s mom found Emma undoing the stitches that her friends had put in because they were not perfect enough!*

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.

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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 11:15-Noon. Snacks for children PreK-Grade School are available downstairs before Sunday school. Childcare for infants and toddlers is provided in the nursery.

### ADULT CLASSES:

How the Bible Actually Works: Sanctuary  
Everything Happens for A Reason: And Other Lies I've Loved: Library  
Coffee & Conversation: Room 5 (downstairs)

### CHILDREN & YOUTH CLASSES:

Pre-K – Grade 2: Room 10/11 (downstairs)  
Grades 3 – 5: Room 3 (downstairs)  
Young Adult Sunday school (youth invited, too): Room 13 (downstairs)



## FMC EVENTS THIS WEEK (Visit [www.fmc-cu.org/events](http://www.fmc-cu.org/events) for event details)

### TODAY

- Worship 9:15a, followed by Fellowship (until 11:15am) & Sunday school (11:15 am-Noon)
- FMC sanctuary reserved (1-3p)
- Spiritual Direction Group (4p)

### TUESDAY

- Spiritual Direction Group (1p)

### WEDNESDAY

- Wed AM Zoom Bible Study (8:00a)

### THURSDAY

- Thursday Bible study (9:30a)
- Service & Outreach Cmte (4p)

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

**Pastor Deb will be away this week, beginning Monday Oct 24 – next Monday, Oct 31.**

### TODAY

- During worship – Church Life Sunday.** Please consider volunteering to support a ministry at First Mennonite. Prayerfully consider the various ministries and opportunities alongside your own gifts, interests and availability. Pastors and committees may call on you to serve in some of your areas of interest. FMC Ministry Volunteer Forms (Work of the Church forms) are available on the pews or online (an email with a link will be sent after church). Paper forms can be left in the labeled return box in the foyer (by greeter stand). [Paper and online forms are today.](#)

### Next Sunday, October 30

- FMC Annual Service of Remembrance during worship.** We will recognize loved ones who have died since our last Service of Remembrance. If you wish to include someone close to you, please email the office ([office@fmc-cu.org](mailto:office@fmc-cu.org)) with the following information: person's full name, relationship to you, date of birth and death, and picture (if possible). [Submission Deadline: Today, October 23.](#)
- Discernment Circles after Sunday school.** Small group discussions lasting 20-30 minutes will be held immediately following Sunday school to discern FMC Council leadership for 2022. Active participants who have attended at least six months and are high school age or older are invited to participate in person or over Zoom. There will be child care to allow parents to participate in the circles.
- Articles for the next issue of the Vine are due to Cindi Schieber.**

**Saturday, November 5, 3:30-5 pm at FMC – The Spiritual Leadership Team is hosting a panel presentation and Q & A on relationship building for couples of all ages; people who aren't currently in a relationship are also invited to attend.** Child care will be provided. Register by November 1st using the link in the Tuesday prayer/announcement email.

**Saturday, November 12, 8am - Noon - FMC Fall Work Day.** Come help spruce up our building and grounds. You can sign-up do to a task online (link in Tues. emails). Donuts/bagels and coffee/juice will be provided.

**Special Music during Advent/Christmas - It's still October, but Advent Committee is busy making plans.** We have often had special music during the Advent/Christmas/Epiphany season. All ages and levels are welcome to offer special music. If you would like to offer some special music during this time (Nov. 27-Jan.8), please contact Mary Krick or Pastor Deb.

## THANK YOU TO THOSE WHO HELPED TODAY:

Greeters: Cynthia Nafziger & Marcia E Nelson  
Worship Leader: Cindy Breeze; Children's Story: Lesley Deem  
Scripture Reader: Bev Hertle  
Song Leader: Rafael Luquis; Piano: Kathy Springer  
Sermon, Sharing & Work of the Church: Pastor Deb  
Zoom: Rudy Moyer-Litwiller; Sound System: Randy Nelson  
Nursery: Worship - Taniya B. & Rebecca Bare  
SS Nursery - Taniya B. & Courtney Malcolm  
Stewards: Cynthia Nafziger & Greg Sancken

## NEXT SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30 AT FMC

### Service of Remembrance

Greeters: Bob King & Marcia E Nelson  
Worship Leader: Chuck Gibson; Children's Story: Neta Jackson  
Scripture Reader: Scott Bidner; Scripture: Isaiah 25:1-10; Matthew 27:50-56  
Song Leader: Andrea Welty Peachey; Piano: TBD  
Sermon & Sharing: Pastor Michael | Work of the Church: Pastor Deb  
Zoom: Phil Martens; Sound System: Emerson Nafziger  
Nursery: Worship-Taniya B. & Mary Krick | SS – Taniya B. & Pete Shungu  
Stewards: Cynthia Nafziger & Greg Sancken

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