

TODAY AFTER WORSHIP

Fellowship and refreshments in the basement before Sunday school. Please keep drinks in the basement. Snacks for children PreK-Grade School are also available. Sunday school for all ages will be held from 11:15 am – 12 pm. Childcare for infants and toddlers is provided in the nursery.



Spring Classes

CHILDREN – COLLEGE AGE CLASSES (downstairs)

Kindergarten – Grade 2: Room 10/11

Grades 3 – 6: Room 3

High school & College: Room 5

ADULT CLASSES

Between the Dark & the Daylight: Library

Communion Class: Sanctuary (*stay on Zoom to attend remotely*)

Coffee & Conversation: Room 13 (downstairs)



WELCOME TO FIRST MENNONITE CHURCH
of Champaign-Urbana

Following Christ. Nurturing Community. Seeking Peace with Justice.

March 10, 2024

Love God and your neighbor
as yourself.

Mark 12:30-31



Artist: Malia

THANK YOU TO THOSE WHO HELPED TODAY: NEXT SUNDAY MORNING (MARCH 17) AT FMC:

Lent 5

Greeters: Peter Dyck & Karen McKenzie

Worship Leader: Earl Kellogg

Song Leader: Danielle Beard

Piano: Jan Kellogg

Children's Story: Donna N. Evans & Lynne Sancken

Scripture Reader: Bev Hertle

Sermon: Laura Brennehan-Fullwood

Sharing: Kathy Springer

Zoom: Rachel Miller-Haughton

Audio: Emerson Nafziger

Visuals: Donna Evans & Bev Birkey Potts

Worship Nursery: Taniya Boone & Sheryl Dyck

Sun. School Nursery: Mary Hines & Karla Woodson

Stewards: Scott Bidner & Mark Evans

Refreshments: Janet Elaine Guthrie & Mark Jaeger

Scripture: Psalm 102:12-17; Mark 13:28-31; Hebrews 6:1-3

Greeters: Earl Kellogg & Karla Woodson

Worship Leader: Janet Elaine Guthrie

Song Leader: Rafael Luquis

Piano: Ruth Stoltzfus

Children's Story: Donna N. Evans & Lynne Sancken

Scripture Reader: Joyce Hurd

Sermon: Rev. Terrance Thomas, Bethel AME

Sharing: Pastor Michael

Zoom: Phil Martens; **Audio:** Randy Nelson

Visuals: Donna Evans & Bev Birkey Potts

Worship Nursery: Taniya Boone & Chuck Gibson

Sun. School Nursery: Mary Hines & Doug Malcolm

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Celebration of Worship

March 10, 2024

LENT 4



Centering chimes

Prelude

*Call to worship

One: Gods love is all around us, how do we love God?

Many: Enjoy and nurture the beauty in trees, mountains, rivers and flowers

One: Gods love in all around us, how do we love God?

Many: By caring for all children, widows and refugees and loving them no matter what

One: Gods love is all around us, how do we love God?

Many: By loving people who are in pain, in danger, on the margins, are difficult and are our enemies

One: Some of this is difficult

Many: We can dwell in God's love and do these hard things

All: Amen. Let us worship

Welcome & prayer

*Gathering Hymn #62 "God is Here Among Us"

Confession & Assurance

One: Merciful God, we forget that you are the light of the world.

Many: Forgive us for our short memories.

One: Remind us that you are rich in mercy

Many: when we wander away from you.

One: Loving God, convict us of your immense love

Many: that shines brightly on us.

All: Merciful God, light of the world, we come seeking new life in you.

*Praising Hymn #77 "Laudate Dominum"

Children's story and offering for Champaign County Habitat for Humanity (cuhabitat.com)

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

(Words below sung to the tune of "Love and Marriage")

God and Neighbors, God and Neighbors,

Love them both and nothing will be greater

Just like toast and butter,

You can't have one without the other!

Scripture Psalm 89:1-4 and Mark 12:28-44

Sermon

*Response Hymn #11 "Mountain of God"

Offering prayer *(offerings can be placed in the offering plates as the greeters come by)*

Offertory

Congregational sharing and prayer *(use a mic or text/email prayers to Pastor Michael)*

Introduction of visitors

Work of the church

*Sending Hymn #812 "Sent Forth by God's Blessing"

*Benediction

**Stand in body or in spirit. Children are invited to wave the worship ribbons during the hymns.*

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.