



WELCOME TO FIRST MENNONITE CHURCH
of Champaign-Urbana

Following Christ. Nurturing Community. Seeking Peace with Justice.

Celebration of Worship

October 20, 2024

Centering chimes

Prelude

Call to Worship

Hymnal #856

***Gathering hymn #11**

"Mountain of God"

Welcome and prayer

***Praising Hymn #4**

"Christ Is Our Cornerstone"

Children's story and offering for SIM Bangladesh Arsenic Poisoning Prevention Program (www.simbd.org/app)

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

Scripture

1 Corinthians 12:12-27

Sermon

One Body

***Response hymn #389**

"Together"

Prayer & Offertory (*Ushers will pass the offering plates down the rows*)

Congregational Sharing & Prayer (*use the mic or text prayers to pastor Michael*)

Introduction of visitors

Work of the church (*come forward to the podium mic to make an announcement*)

***Sending hymn #568**

"Christ Has No Body Here but Ours"

***Benediction**

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

We welcome Bryan Miller as our guest preacher this morning. Bryan is an Illinois Mennonite Conference Minister, a position he shares with two others. In addition, Bryan is also pastor at Roanoke Mennonite Church.

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 a large print hymnal & Bible are available from the greeters.
Childcare (birth – preschool) is provided in the nursery downstairs.

TODAY AFTER WORSHIP

Downstairs in the Fellowship Hall - Fellowship, refreshments and children's snacks (for ages 1 year through Grade School). Parents, please assist your children during snack time.

Education opportunities for all ages from 11:15am-12pm (unless noted otherwise).

ADULT CLASSES (SEP – NOV) (upstairs/downstairs)

Note: In place of regular adult Sunday school classes today, all adults are invited to engage with Bryan Miller in a discussion about our conference proposal. Classes for 2 years – middle school will be held as usual.

Painting Through the Scriptures (11a-12p): Library (*Guests welcome in this class as space allows*)

Engaging with Our Neighbors in Divisive Times: Sanctuary

Coffee & Conversation: Room 13, Downstairs

Mennonites 101: Room 5, Downstairs

CHILDREN – YOUTH CLASSES (downstairs)

Ages 2-5 years: Room 6

Grades K-2: Room 10/11

Grades 3-5: Room 3

Grades 6-8: Room 7



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

Today – In place of regular adult Sunday school classes, adults are invited to engage with Bryan Miller in a discussion about our conference proposal. Classes for 2 years – middle school will be held as usual.

Today – Deadline for signing up for Fellowship meals, which will be held in homes next weekend (Oct 26 and 27). These are small potluck meals held in homes either with children or without and you can sign up to be a guest or a host. Sign-up using a form in the foyer or online. The Hospitality and Fellowship Committee will assign hosts and guest; hosts will then contact guests regarding time and menu. Questions? Contact Marcia E. Nelson.

Rhonda will be out of the office through this Tuesday, October 22.

This Tuesday, October 22 – Deadline for submitting information to the office for our Sunday, Nov. 3 Service of Remembrance. If you wish to include someone close to you, please email the office (office@fmc-cu.org) with the person's full name, relationship to you, date of birth and death, and picture (if possible).

This Wednesday, October 23, 10 am at 44 E. Main St. Ste 205, Champaign – A group from FMC will meet with Nikki Budzinski's staff person to discuss the farm bill and conservation legislation. Contact Sharon Monday **today (Sunday, October 20)** if you wish to attend.

This Thursday, Oct. 24 and Friday, Oct. 25, at the University Y - Pastor Michael and Pastor Terrance Thomas (Bethel AME) are hosting a conversation on "Understanding White Christian Nationalism." All are invited to a showing of the film *Bad Faith: Christian Nationalism's Unholy War on Democracy* at the University YMCA on Thursday the 24th at 7pm, followed by a Noon panel discussion on Friday the 25th at the Y's Friday Forum. The panel will feature UIUC Professors Leonard McKinnis and Stephanie Thurston.

Pastor Michael will be out of the office this weekend, October 26 – 27.

Next Sunday, October 27:

- We will have a hymn sing during worship.
- Deadline for November Vine submissions. Email items to Cindi Schieber.

Saturday, November 2, 6:30 pm at FMC – Alice Di Micele benefit concert for the Tiny "Dome House" project. Tickets are available at: <https://tinyurl.com/ADiMiceleNov2Concert>. The Service and Outreach Committee would like some help with the concert. To sign up, visit: <https://tinyurl.com/Nov2ConcertHelp>.

FMC EVENTS THIS WEEK

(Details at: www.fmc-cu.org/events)

TODAY

- Conference Proposal discussion during Sunday school
- Signup Deadline for Fellowship Meal

TUESDAY

- Rhonda is out of the office

WEDNESDAY

- Wednesday AM Zoom Bible Study (8a)
- Spiritual Leadership Team (9:45a)
- Interfaith Alliance (12n)

THURSDAY

- Thursday Morning Bible Study (9:30a)
- Election Season Contemplative Prayer (12:15p)
- Service & Outreach Committee (3:30p)
- "Bad Faith" shown at University Y (7p)

FRIDAY

- PCRC meets (9:30a)
- Christian Nationalism panel at Uni. Y (12n)

SATURDAY

- Evening fellowship meals (prior registration)

NEXT SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27

- Hymn Sing during worship
- Noon fellowship meals (prior registration)
- Vine submissions due to Cindi Schieber

THANKS TODAY TO:

Greeters: Sam Cox & Donna Evans

Worship Leader: Bev Hertle

Song Leader: Pastor Deb

Piano: Cheryl Koranda

Children's Story: Mary Biddle

Scripture Reader: Bruce Miller

Sermon: Bryan Miller, IMC Minister

Congregational Sharing: Pastor Michael

Zoom: Rachel Miller-Haughton

Audio: Phil Martens

Worship Nursery: Skylar U'Ren & Karla Woodson

Stewards: Tammie Bouseman & Tom Sutter

Visuals: Bev Birkey Potts

Refreshments: Sam Cox & Laurence Koehn

NEXT SUNDAY, OCT. 27 AT FMC:

Scripture: Psalm 98; Matthew 11:28-30;

Romans 8:31, 25, 37-39

Greeters: Sam Cox & Donna Evans

Worship Leader: Phil Martens

Song Leader: Cindy Breeze

Piano: Pastor Deb

Children's Story: Marcia E. Nelson

Scripture Reader: TBD

Congregational Sharing: Pastor Deb

Zoom: Megan Cox; **Audio:** Randy Nelson

Worship Nursery: Skylar U'Ren & Mary Biddle

Stewards: Tammie Bouseman & Tom Sutter

Visuals: Bev Birkey Potts

Refreshments: Dianna Black & Peter Dyck

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