



Sunday Morning Education Opportunities

September 7 - November 30, 2025



ADULTS

STRANGE WORSHIP: SIX STEPS FOR CHALLENGING CHRISTIAN NATIONALISM

"Christian nationalism is the single biggest threat to religious freedom in the United States today. It is also an urgent threat to US democracy and the authentic witness of the Christian faith." Drew Strait, New Testament scholar at Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary. We will be using Dr. Strait's book entitled *Strange Worship, Six Steps for Challenging Christian Nationalism* to help understand Christian nationalism and how we can confront it.

Location: Library | **Facilitators:** Randy Nelson & Karen McKenzie

FOOTSTEPS OF FAITH: A GLOBAL ANABAPTIST DEVOTIONAL

Footsteps of Faith will explore the new Anabaptist devotional book *Footsteps of Faith: A Global Anabaptist Devotional*. Created as part of the Anabaptism at 500 commemoration, this devotional presents meditations on the Gospels by numerous Anabaptist authors from many countries representing all the world's continents. Each meditation is based on some aspect of the life and teaching of Jesus that is significant to Anabaptist believers and includes challenges for reflection and contemplation. The class will sample one meditation per week from the book. We will examine the scripture, listen to the author and reflect together on living out the challenge each passage presents for our lives as believers.

Location: Sanctuary | **Facilitator:** Chuck Gibson

COFFEE AND CONVERSATION

A fellowship group open to all, with topics arising weekly from within the group. Coffee & Conversation is a "brave space" that invites thoughtful sharing about faith from a range of perspectives and experiences. **Location:** Downstairs (Room 13)

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CHILDREN and YOUTH (birth – grade 12)

NURSERY (BIRTH – 2 YEARS)

Nursery care will be provided for children birth – 2 years. Each Sunday, a volunteer will plan a simple lesson using MennoMedia/Shine *Wee Wonder* curriculum, which introduces young children to God through song, action rhymes, Bible stories and responsive play.

Location: Nursery | **Wee Wonders Leader:** Rotating volunteers, **Helper:** Skylar U'Ren

Note: First Mennonite Church uses MennoMedia's curriculum, *Shine: Living in God's Light*, for children and youth Sunday School classes. The current quarter's theme is: *Fall of a Kingdom* and focuses on "Calling on God" (Psalms) and "Exile and Restoration" (Kings 1 & 2, Isaiah, Jeremiah, Ezekiel, Daniel and Ezra).

PRESCHOOL (AGES 3-5 YEARS)

Location: Downstairs (Room 6) | **Teachers:** Sheryl Dyck & TBD, **Helpers:** Kathy Anderson and others

GRADE SCHOOL (GRADES K-3)

Location: Downstairs (Room 3) | **Teacher:** Janet MacLean, **Helper:** Kathy Springer

GRADE SCHOOL (GRADES 4-6)

Location: Downstairs (Room 10/11) | **Teacher:** Donna Evans, **Helper:** Bev Hertle

MIDDLE SCHOOL & HIGH SCHOOL (GRADES 7-12)

Location: Downstairs (Room 7) | **Teachers:** Lynne Sancken, Tamie Bouseman & Mary Biddle

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