



WELCOME TO FIRST MENNONITE CHURCH
of Champaign-Urbana

Following Christ. Nurturing Community. Seeking Peace with Justice.

Celebration of Worship

June 14, 2026

Hospitality Series: Nourishment & Abundance

Centering chimes (*Lighting of the Christ candle*)

Prelude

Call to Worship

Leader: Bread of life and fruitful Vine,

**People: you feed our bodies with the gifts of earth; you delight our souls with abundant grace;
you nourish our spirits with eternal love.**

Leader: As we prepare to receive your nourishment this day,

**People: strengthen our desire for your presence; deepen our trust in your goodness;
renew our hope in your gracious reign.**

All: For you are the Source of our life, and we depend upon your mercy.

***Gathering hymn #511** "Come On, Children, to the Gospel Feast"

Welcome & Prayer

***Praising Hymn #751** "There Is in Every Person"

Children's story and children's offering (*for Sola Gratia Farm in Urbana*)

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

Scripture John 6:1-15

Sermon

Communion

All are welcome at the Lord's Table; come and partake as the Spirit leads. The bread is gluten-free. The cup is grape juice; water is also available. Regular and special offerings may be placed in the plate near the back of the sanctuary door or the plate on a chair near the communion table. Write "FMC Mutual Aid" in the memo line of a check; cash can be placed in a "special offering" envelope, available on chairs throughout the sanctuary.

Communion hymn (*handout*) "You've got a place"

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

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

Introduction of visitors

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

***Sending hymn #473** "Haleluya! Pelo tsa rona (Hallelujah! We Sing Your Praises)"

***Benediction**

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

Note: Because worship is participatory and not a performance, instead of applauding please show appreciation for preludes, offertories and special music in other ways, such as ASL, silent applause, saying "Amen" or thanking musicians later.

We welcome, without exclusion, all who seek God's love and grace...

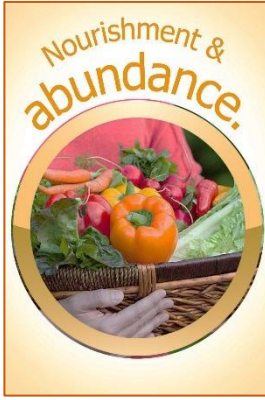
You are welcome here, inclusive of gender, race, country of origin, ethnicity, sexual orientation, sexual identity, socioeconomic status, family status, past imprisonment, education, citizenship status and physical or mental abilities. We encourage you to share in the rituals, fellowship and ministry 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.

NEXT SUNDAY 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.

GRADE SCHOOL - ADULT

Intergenerational class in which people share about one of their passions. (fellowship hall or sanctuary, depending on presentation)

ADULT

Coffee & Conversation: Room 13 (downstairs)

NURSERY & PRESCHOOL (downstairs)

Nursery (birth – 2 years): Nursery

Ages 3-5 years: Room 3

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

Today during worship – We will have communion and in addition to our regular offering, people are invited to give a special offering for our FMC Mutual Aid Fund.

Today after worship - Join us after worship for a potluck which is an early celebration of all who have been fathers to us. During the meal we will have a 15 minute open mic for fathers to offer Dad Jokes. Bring a nut-free dish to share. The meal will be held in place of intergenerational and preschool Sunday school.

Today is the signup deadline to help with Taco Tuesday, which will be held at FMC this Tuesday, June 16 at 5:30 pm.

A helper is still needed for the preschool Sunday school class on June 21 and July 12. If you are able to help one of those Sundays, please [contact the church office](#).

This week – Pastor Michael will be out of the office Wednesday, June 17 – Saturday, June 20. Please contact elders Kate Falk or John MacLean with pastoral care needs.

Sunday, June 28 – Submissions for the July Vine are due to Cindi Schieber.

The Little Food Pantry outside near the back of our green space (fenced yard) could use more donations of small/individual sized shelf-stable food and toiletries. Pick up a green half-sheet ("FMC Little Food Pantry") from the table near the church office for information on suggested items. Donations can be placed directly in the Little Food Pantry or downstairs in the small cabinet in the Coffee & Conversation room 13.

Sunday, June 28, 2-4 pm, Fisher Community Center, Fisher - Everence invites you to the 20 year celebration of appreciation of the members, clients, and East Central Illinois community.

All week – Juneteenth celebrations are happening throughout Champaign Urbana.

Pick up a flyer from the table near the church office for details or look online at: <https://www.smilepolitely.com/splog/juneteenth-celebrations-in-champaign-urbana/>

FMC EVENTS THIS WEEK

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

TODAY (June 7)

- Worship 9:15a with communion
- Special offering for our mutual aid fund
- Potluck honoring dads 11:15a
- Sign up deadline to help with Taco Tuesday

Monday

- FMC library reserved 12n-2p

Tuesday

- Taco Tuesday meal at FMC 5:30p
- Search Committee, FMC library 6p

Friday

- Facilities Committee-hybrid 4:30p

NEXT SUNDAY (June 21)

- Worship 9:15a with words of witness from Rebecca Bare, Clark Breeze & Kathy Springer
- Fellowship & Sunday school after worship

THANKS TODAY TO:

Greeters: Rhonda Gibson & Bev Hertle

Worship Leader: Janet Elaine Guthrie

Song Leader: Melissa Shungu

Piano: Ruth Stoltzfus

Children's Story: Marcia E. Nelson

Scripture Reader: Mark Jaeger (John 6:1-15)

Sermon & Congregational Sharing: Pastor Michael

Zoom: Chuck Gibson

Audio: Randy Nelson

Worship Nursery: Skylar U'Ren & Bob King

Stewards: Laurence Koehn & Greg Sancken

Visuals: Lynne Sancken

NEXT WEEK (June 21) AT FMC:

Hospitality: Welcoming God Among Us

Greeters: Kate Falk & Bob King

Worship Leader: Keith Springer

Song Leader: Danielle Beard

Piano: Kathy Springer

Children's Story: Lynne Sancken

Scripture Reader: Annie Crawford (Matthew 25:34-40)

Words of Witness: Rebecca Bare, Clark Breeze & Kathy Springer

Congregational Sharing: Pastor Michael

Zoom: Phil Martens

Audio: Laurence Koehn

Worship Nursery: Skylar U'Ren & Mary Krick

Stewards: Bruce Miller & Cynthia Nafziger

Visuals: Lynne Sancken

Refreshments: Bev Hertle & Sarah Little

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