



WELCOME TO FIRST MENNONITE CHURCH  
*of Champaign-Urbana*

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

## Celebration *of* Worship

June 21, 2026

### Hospitality Series

*Welcoming God Among Us*

Centering chimes (*Lighting of the Christ candle*)

Prelude

Call to Worship Hymnal #20

\*Gathering hymn #49 "All Who Are Thirsty"

Welcome & Prayer

\*Praising Hymn #297 "You Are Salt for the Earth"

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

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

Scripture Matthew 25:34-40

Words of Witness

Rebecca Bare

Clark Breeze

Kathy Springer

\*Response 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 #540 "Will You Come and Follow Me"

\*Benediction

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\*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.

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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.



#### 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 intergenerational Sunday school, 11:15a in the fellowship hall – Kathy Springer and Kathy Anderson will lead us in making comforters for MCC.**

A preschool class (3-5 years) and nursery care are offered during Sunday school.

**This week – Administrative Assistant Rhonda Gibson is away.** Office hours this week:

Wed – Fri 9:30a-12n. Contact Pastor Michael if you need help or have questions.

### Next Sunday, June 28:

- **During intergenerational Sunday school**, Michael & Abby Crosby will lead a fun scavenger hunt to help us learn about our church building resources.
- **Submissions for the July Vine are due to Cindi Schieber.**
- **The Pastoral Search Committee invites you to a time of discernment to help prepare the job description for the Associate Pastor position.** We will meet in the FMC Fellowship Hall from 4-5:30 pm. This is a very important first step for the congregation to express ideas, hope, and vision for FMC with some new staff leadership. The Search Committee would like to have you facilitate the matching of our congregation's vision for FMC as we enter this new phase. Childcare will be provided upon request; contact Pastor Michael if you need child care. We look forward to your valuable participation.

**Nex Sunday, June 28, 2-4 pm at the Fisher Community Center, Fisher - Everence invites you to the 20 year celebration of appreciation of the members, clients, and the East Central Illinois community.** Come join the fun of food and fellowship.

**Tuesday, July 7 at FMC, 4:30p - The Racial Justice Working Group invites you to learn about the proposed UI Kingfisher mascot.** Pizza will be served. Please rsvp to Tim Clink by Sunday, July 5 so that he knows how much pizza to order.

**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 yellow "Little Food Pantry" flyer from the table near the church office for information on suggested items.

## FMC EVENTS THIS WEEK

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

### TODAY (June 21)

- Worship 9:15a, then fellowship & Sun. school

### Tuesday

- Christian Education Committee Retreat at home of Sheryl Dyck (8a-12n)

### Wednesday

- Zoom Bible Study 8a
- Interfaith Alliance at Sinai Temple 12n

### Thursday

- Spiritual Leadership Team (10a)

### Friday

- Service & Outreach Committee-hybrid 3p

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- Worship 9:15a, then fellowship & Sun. school
- Vine submissions due to Cindi Schieber
- Discernment about Associate pastor position 4p

## THANKS TODAY TO:

**Greeters:** Kate Falk & Bob King

**Worship Leader:** Keith Springer

**Song Leader:** Danielle Beard

**Piano:** Kathy Springer

**Children's Story:** Lynne Sancken

**Scripture Reader:** Tammie Bouseman

(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

## NEXT WEEK (June 28) AT FMC:

*Hospitality: Sustained in Creation*

**Greeters:** Kate Falk & Bev Hertle

**Worship Leader:** Bob King

**Song Leader/Musician:** Geoffrey Herman

**Children's Story:** Cindy Breeze

**Scripture Reader:** Annie Crawford (1 King 17:1-16 & Matthew 6:25-34)

**Sermon & Congregational Sharing:** Pastor Michael

**Zoom:** Rachel Miller-Haughton

**Audio:** Emerson Nafziger

**Worship Nursery:** Skylar U'Ren & Mary Biddle

**Stewards:** Bruce Miller & Cynthia Nafziger

**Visuals:** Lynne Sancken

**Refreshments:** Megan & Sam Cox

### First Mennonite Church of Champaign Urbana

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