

Follow Jesus; Mature in Faith; Carry the Good News  
At First Mennonite Church

**Serving Today:**

Pastor: Josh Janzen                      Pianist: Vicki Hinz-Ensz  
Worship Leader: Vern Jantzen        Hosts: Gayland & Marci Regier  
Live Stream: Pam Kunzman            Audio: Jim Ensz  
Ushers: Daryl Riesen & Justin Schardt    Power Point: Katie Jantzen  
Children's Story: Debbie Goossen

**Last Sunday** Offering: FMC, \$4,595; WDC \$ 50

**Attendance:** 76

**Offering this morning:** Mother to Mother    **Next Sunday:** FMC

**Happening this week:**

Sunday, February 11	9:30 a.m. Sunday School – all ages 9:30 a.m. "Lent at Home" workshop 10:30 a.m. Worship
Tuesday, February 13	1:30 p.m. WMS Quilting & Tying
Wednesday, Feb 14	6:00 pm <b>ASH WEDNESDAY Service</b> followed by Peace Club, JYF/SYF
Sunday, Feb 18	9:30 a.m. Sunday School – all ages 10:30 a.m. Worship

**February Birthdays**

2: Doug Casey	4: Jim Ensz
7: Bryan Heinz	9: Ross Reimer
15: Gerald Jantzen	16: Samantha Tegmeier
26: Elijah Vanderschaaf	



- **Need a hearing device?** Ask an usher for assistance.
- **We collect** Best Choice labels & used cards and envelopes.
- **Food Pantry:** There's a box in the narthex or give cash to Dolores Jantzen.
- **Men's Brotherhood** project? Contact Dan Kunzman or LeRoy Janzen
- **Watch our service** on youtube.com, search for fmcbeatrice, or listen from our parking lot on FM 107.5 Weekly bulletins are at [fmcbeatrice.org](http://fmcbeatrice.org); click the More tab to select Documents, Church docs, bulletins.
- If you have **food for Scott Jantzen**, please call Lori Thimm:402-239-3611

**First Mennonite Church; 6714 W. State Hwy. 4, Beatrice, NE 68310**

**Pastors:** Josh Janzen; 402-228-2052; [pastorjosh@fmcbeatrice.org](mailto:pastorjosh@fmcbeatrice.org)

Sarah Neher; 507-993-6820; [sarah@fmcbeatrice.org](mailto:sarah@fmcbeatrice.org)

**Church office:** 402-251-7180

**Website:** [fmcbeatrice.org](http://fmcbeatrice.org)    **Church email:** [office@fmcbeatrice.org](mailto:office@fmcbeatrice.org)

**Deacons:** Vicki Hinz-Ensz (402-239-4174), Sue Gerber (402-239-8857)  
Don Esau (402-223-9210)

**Church Chair:** Jerry Reimer (402-239-2716)



**Welcome to First Mennonite Church**

February 11, 2024

**Welcome**

**Call To Worship**

L: The Lord has called you here this day.

**P: Lord, reveal to us your purposes for us.**

L: Open your hearts to receive God's good news.

**P: Lord, make us ready to serve you.**

L: Come, let us worship God!

**P: Let us sing our praises to the Almighty One. AMEN.**

**Prayer**

**Hymn: "Mountain of God"**

VT 11

**Confession**

L: Patient Lord, you know how accustomed we are to "magic" tricks. Our spirits and our senses get fooled easily. We would be just like the disciples, at first not believing what we were seeing and then wanting to make a monument to the event.

**P: Thank you for being so patient with us. Forgive us when we get so wrapped up in the moment that we don't take time enough to understand its significance. Help us pause, reflect, think, and thank you for the blessings of unexpected revelations.**

**All: Give us wisdom and strength to be your disciples, proclaiming your transforming love to all people. AMEN.**

**Words of Assurance**

L: To you the light of love and ministry has been revealed. Rejoice! You have been blessed by God to be witnesses; to proclaim God's love to all. Be at peace! AMEN.

## Children's Time

**Sunday Singers: "For We are Strangers No More"** VT 409

**Scripture Readings: Matthew 25:34-40, 2 Corinthians 1:3-4**

**Sharing & Testimony-** Dorothy Zimmerman, Jim Ensz, Lori Thimm

**Hymn: "Take My life, and Let It Be"** VT 759

**Sharing and Prayer**

**Benediction**

**Sending Song: "Sent Forth by God's Blessing"** VT 812

**Offering to Mother to Mother**

---

**Welcome!** We are glad you are here! We hope to see you again soon! If you can't make it in person, the service is available to watch on our YouTube channel and the bulletin is available at [fmcbeatrice.org](http://fmcbeatrice.org).

The theme for **Peace Club and Children's SS** during the month of February is **Gear Up - An Adventure in Kindness**, (Colossians 3:12). **Childrens Sunday School** groups combined today to make Valentine cards for our shut-ins. Next Sunday they will learn to be kinder than you have to be through the story in Matthew 5:41. **Peace Club and JYF/SYF** will meet on Feb 14 following the Ash Wednesday service.

**Lent At Home-** Pastor Sarah will be offering two workshops on how to use The Mennonite Education Agency's resource **Lent At Home**. All members are welcome to attend! Bags of supplies will be available but prioritized for families. The February 7 workshop will be presented again on Sunday February 11th, 9:30-10:15 am. (The resource link is <http://tinyurl.com/8deyhrc>)

**An Ash Wednesday Service** will be held on Wednesday, February 14 at 6:00 p.m. Peace Club, JYF and SYF will begin after the service.

**The adult Sunday School** uses Salt & Light stand-alone lessons. Join us in the room at the bottom of the stairs when you can!

**Tuition Fund pledges/donations:** Thank you for your tuition fund donations for Clairra Janssen at Bethel College. We are almost halfway to our second semester pledge of \$4500 which is due now. Donations for this may be put in the offering plate, marked tuition pledge.

**Thank you for supporting Chris and Grace Tegtmeier during Chris's transplant on February 9 and his recovery.** His recovery period will last 6 weeks, away from home, with his mother Beth serving as caregiver. We invite the church family to send cards with words of encouragement, along with prayers for both Chris and his donor Zach.

There is a **sign-up sheet** in the narthex for care package items for Grace to deliver. If you would like to provide meals for Grace and the kids or contribute to Walmart gift cards for Chris and his mother, please contact Shana Ensz at 402-806-1946. Thank you! -Friends of Grace & Chris & Shepherd Group 4. Their address: Chris & Grace Tegtmeier, 72245 574th Ave, Plymouth, NE 68424

If you have **food for Scott Jantzen**, please call Lori Thimm-402-239-3611.

**Kiwanis Pancake Feed Today**, February 11, 7:30 – 1:00 at Vet's Club.

**4-H Inc Annual Pancake Feed**, February 25, 9:00 – 1:00 at their building at the fairgrounds.

**"Fifty-Three Years in the Russian Empire" by Dr. Mark Jantzen**, presented by Mennonite Heritage & Agricultural Museum, Goessel, Ks. As part of the 150th Anniversary celebration of the migration of Mennonites to Kansas, Dr. Mark Jantzen, Professor of History at Bethel college, will present "Fifty-Three Years in the Russian Empire: The Context for Mennonites in the Years 1821 to 1874." The event will be held February 18, 2024, at 3 pm, at Alexanderwohl Mennonite Church, Goessel, Ks. Join us in person or by zoom. Zoom link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86167911311?pwd=VUZWBHIRMVILa0Y3TIR1VWhiZEhiUT09>

Meeting ID 861 6791 1311      Passcode 473902

**MCC Material Resources Center in North Newton critically low on inventory:** Each kit must be complete before it's sent. Kits are on hold waiting for the following items: *new* infant sleepers (6-12 month sizes); bath towels (dark colored, light to medium weight); wide-toothed combs; laundry soap (such as Fels Naptha or Zote brands); shampoo (20 oz min); fingernail clippers (good quality); and hand towels (dark colored). For prisoner care and returning citizen care kits: men's T-shirts (sizes L, XL, 2XL, 3XL -- any color); men's underwear (sizes L, XL, 2XL, 3XL -- any color); men's crew socks; lotion (12 oz min); adult backpacks. Buy online and ship to MCC or bring items to MCC, 121 E. 30<sup>th</sup> St, North Newton, KS 67117).