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

Serving Today:

Pastor: Josh Janzen
Worship Leader: Rodney Ensz
Hosts: Don & Judy Jantzen
Ushers: Jim Ensz & Bill Thimm
Piano: Erin Vanderschaaf
Audio: Marv Goossen
PowerPoint: Katie Jantzen
Video: Kathy Casey

Last Sunday: Offerings: FMC \$ 2,450; Camp \$50

Attendance: 107

Offering today: WDC Next Sunday: FMC

Happening this week:

Sunday, July 14 9:30 am Intergenerational Sunday School

10:30 am Worship

Tuesday, July 16 1:30 pm WMS Quilting & Tying Thursday, July 18 7:00 pm Church Board meeting Sunday, July 21 9:30 am Adult Sunday School

10:30 am Worship

July Birthdays:

5: Grace Tegtmeier 6: Leona Jantzen 7: Tracy Crawford 11: Dan Kunzman

13: Marv Goossen, Larry Thimm

14: Maria DeBloc, Mary Jane Zimmerman

18: Amanda Thimm 22: Zella Penner 25: Marjorie Epp 28: Lisa Goossen

- Ask an usher for assistance with a hearing device.
- We collect Best Choice labels & used cards and envelopes.
- Food Pantry items may go in box in the narthex. Cash donations may be given to Dolores Jantzen.
- Have a project for Men's Brotherhood? Contact Dan Kunzman or LeRoy Janzen.
- Our service is on https://www.youtube.com/c/fmcbeatrice and heard on FM <a href="https://www.youtube.com/c/fmcbeatrice and heard on FM <a href="https://www.youtube.com/c/mcbeatrice and heard on FM <a href="https://www.youtube.com/c/mc

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Welcome to First Mennonite Church

July 14, 2024

Welcome

Call to Worship

L: If you are delighted to be here, and if you are tired or troubled,

P: you are welcome here.

L: If your faith is strong, and if your faith is battered or frail,

P: you are welcome here.

L: If you are eager to praise God, and if you need to be quiet,

P: you are welcome here.

All: God welcomes us all to restful worship today

Prayer

Hymn: "Come Away from Rush and Hurry"

VT9

Affirmation of Sabbath Rest

L: God of Rest, in the beginning, after You created all things by Wind and Word, and it delighted Your heart

P: and You called it "good," You rested.

L: You sat down on Your throne, O Sovereign One, watchful and steady, at one with Your creation,

P: ruling over all things with peace, wholeness and joy.

L: When You assumed flesh and blood in the person of Your Son, our Brother, our Savior and Lord,

P: You rested.

L: Early in the morning, while it was still dark, before the sun's gold rim would awaken the day, You rose early to be alone,

P: to enjoy intimacy with the Father and be reminded of Your Name, "Beloved." And of Your mission, "To do the work of the One who sent Me."

L: "The Sabbath is for you," our Savior and Lord says tenderly to you now. "My beloved Child, this is *for you.*"

All: Praise God for the gift of Sabbath rest

Hymn: "I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say"

VT 536

Scripture: Exodus 20:8-11

Sermon: "Stop and Rest" Pastor Josh

Hymn: "O God, We Read the Holy Law" VT 571

Sharing and Prayer

Benediction

Sending Song: "The Lord Lift You Up" VT 832

Offering to Western District Conference

Welcome! We are glad you are here! We hope to see you again soon! Our service is live streamed on YouTube. Search Fmcbeatrice.

Join us for Summer Intergenerational Sunday School today! Remaining sessions are July 14, 28, and August 11. The Education Council would love to offer a light breakfast on the mornings we have Intergenerational Sunday School. If you would be willing to bring light refreshments for about 40 people, there is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the narthex.

The current balance in the **Camp Fund** is \$1,693.00. This is short approximately \$250 for six youth who are attending this summer. If you would like to donate to this fund, you may put your check in the collection plate, marked "Camp Fund". Thank you for your generous donations!

The Church Picnic will be September 15 at Chautauqua Tabernacle. More information will be in the bulletin closer to the date.

Address for Sylvia Cross: Cedarwood, 828 22nd St, Fairbury, NE 68352.

MCC has a big goal of collecting 24,000 School Kits during the month of August. Although school kits can be assembled at any time of the year, only school kits collected and dropped off by August 31 will count towards the **2024 School Kit Challenge**. **Church groups** are invited to post a photo by August 31 of your school kit packing group on social media, tag @mccpeace and use the hashtag #MCCSchoolKit Challenge to be entered to win a pizza party! Packing instruction cards can be found below the mailboxes and on the bulletin board.

Hosting Announcement: Would you consider hosting an Annual Assembly participant or two in your home? Hosts are asked to provide a simple breakfast Saturday and Sunday. All other meals provided at First Mennonite Church and Summit Street (Saturday lunch only). We still need 2 Double/Queen beds and 4 twin beds for 2 couples and 4 individuals. A roll-out couch in a basement with access to a bathroom is adequate, as is a guest room. Please let Pastor Josh or Pastor Sarah know if you can serve in this way. Thank you!

WDC Annual Assembly at FMC August 2-4. Assembly theme is "In Community We Transform" (Romans 12). Delegate sessions are Saturday, Aug 3. Talk to Jerry Reimer if you'd like to be one of FMC's 7 delegates. Pastor Sarah Neher will lead a session of the Faith Formation track Saturday, August 3 at Summit Street Church. Worship services Friday evening and Sunday morning are at FMC. Registration is now open at mennowdc.org.



150th Year Celebration of Coming to America:

August 23-25, 2024 at Eden Mennonite Church. Ag demonstrations, Swiss Mennonite historians, storytelling, music and Swiss Mennonite foods. See their website swissmennonites.org for all the information.

First Mennonite Church General Fund Summary for June 2024

General Fund Balance 5/30/24	\$	(2,173.08)	
June general fund offerings	•	17,436.00	
June Expenses		18,775.78	
General Fund Balance 6/31/24		(1,345.78)	

Camp Mennoscah is excited to announce a new Capital Campaign! **FOUNDATION 75!**

Camp Mennoscah is celebrating 75 years in camp ministry with a Capital Campaign beginning in July 2024. This necessary adventure of raising money is to build a Maintenance Fund. This fund will assist in shoring up the foundations of Camp. First monies raised will be used to finish paying for the HVAC system in the Retreat Center, for pool upkeep issues, and for finishing details in the Dining Hall project.

The goal of the Foundation 75 Campaign is to raise \$750,000, starting now and continuing through December 2025. We want to celebrate the 75th Anniversary of Camp Mennoscah and assure that funds will exist to maintain our physical plant as we continue to maintain our commitment to be a place where people can find God as they experience God's creation and fellowship with others.

75 years! And there is so much ahead! FOUNDATION 75