

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

Serving Today:

Worship Leader: Katie Jantzen
Pianist: Jan Reimer
PPT: Katie Jantzen
Hosts: John & Zella Penner
Ushers: Kent Hohensee & Kyle Riesen

Deacon: Don Esau
Children's Story: Doug Casey
Live stream: Henry Trantham
Audio: Doug Casey

Last Sunday Offerings: FMC \$6375

Last Sunday Attendance: 78

Happening this week:

Sunday, July 24	9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Worship
Tuesday, July 26 July 29-31	1:30 p.m. WMS Quilting & Tying WDC Annual Assembly
Sunday, July 31	9:30 a.m. Sunday School- Maynard Knepp 10:30 a.m. Worship with Joe Miller

July Birthdays

7: Tracy Crawford	11: Dan Kunzman
13: Marv Goossen, Larry Thimm	
14: Maria DeBloc, Mary Jane Zimmerman	
15: Alexandra Goossen	18: Amanda Thimm
22: Zella Penner	25: Marjorie Epp
28: Lisa Goossen	29: Eli Scherling

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- Ask an usher for assistance with a **hearing device**.
 - **We collect** Sun Mart receipts, Best Choice labels & used cards/envelopes
 - **Food Pantry donations:** Please put them in the narthex box or give cash donations to Dolores Jantzen.
 - **Shop at smile.amazon.com** to support Mother to Mother Ministries with your Amazon purchases!
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Please contact the following with concerns or questions:

- **Special Needs: Deacons** Vern Jantzen (402-230-0011), Don Esau (402-223-9210), Vicki Hinz-Ensz (402-239-4174)
 - **Church related concerns:** Chair Dorothy Zimmerman (402-239-9437)
 - **Bulletin items:** Vicki Frerking (402-239-5312 or the church phone/email)
 - **Prayer Requests:** Pastor Roger, 785-220-1968 or rogerneufeldsmith@gmail.com
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Welcome to First Mennonite Church
July 24, 2022

Welcome

Katie Jantzen

A Call to Worship

L: Open our ears
P: to hear your Word.
L: Open our eyes
P: to see your presence.
L: Open our arms
P: to the embrace of community.
L: Open our minds
P: to the beauty of truth.
L: Open our hearts
P: to the joy of new life.

Prayer

Katie Jantzen

Hymn: "The Church's One Foundation"

VT 397

Children's Story

Doug Casey

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 25:7-9

OT page 798

Affirmation of Faith:

L: Praise and thanks to you, holy God, for by your Word you made all things; you spoke light into darkness, called forth beauty from chaos, and brought life into being. For your Word of life, O God,
P: we give you thanks and praise.
L: By your Word you called your people Israel to tell of your wonderful gifts: freedom from captivity, water on the desert journey, a pathway home from exile, wisdom for life with you. For your Word of life, O God,
P: we give you thanks and praise.

L: Through Jesus, your Word made flesh, you speak to us and call us to witness: forgiveness through the cross, life to those entombed by death, the way of your self-giving love. For your Word of life, O God,

P: we give you thanks and praise.

L: Send your Spirit of truth, O God; rekindle your gifts within us: renew our faith, increase our hope, and deepen our love, for the sake of a world in need. Faithful to your Word, O God, draw near to all who call on you, through Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

New Testament Reading: Luke 24:13-35 (Excerpts)

L: Two disciples were traveling to a village called Emmaus. While they were discussing everything that had happened, Jesus arrived and joined them on their journey. They were prevented from recognizing him.

P: When they came to Emmaus, Jesus went in to stay with them.

After taking a seat at the table, Jesus took the bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Their eyes were opened and they recognized him, but he disappeared from their sight.

L: They said to each other, "Were not our hearts on fire when Jesus spoke with us along the road?" They got up and returned to Jerusalem, where the eleven and their companions were gathered together and saying, "Christ really has risen! He appeared to Simon!"

P: Then the two disciples described what had happened along the road and how Jesus was made known to them in the breaking of bread.

Sermon: "On the Road to Emmaus: Glimpse of the Church"

-Recorded message by Heidi Regier Kreider, WDC Minister

Hymn: "Open My Eyes That I May See" VT 738

Sharing and Prayer Deacon Don Esau

Blessing Deacon Don Esau

Offering for Mother to Mother Ministry in the narthex

Welcome! We're glad to have you worshipping with us either in person or online. We live stream at <https://www.youtube.com/c/fmcbeatrice>.

Sunday School: The last day for the intergenerational Sunday school is today, July 24. Next Sunday, July 31, Maynard Knepp of MCC will host Sunday School hour. Children and youth Sunday school begins August 14.

Next Sunday, July 31, Pastor Joe Miller, Director of MCC Meat Canning, will be our guest pastor. Maynard Knepp of MCC will host Sunday School at 9:30 and give the Children's message.

Please check the basement for any items you may want in the SE corner as they will be removed today following worship (electronics, credenzas). Hymnals are available to take in the narthex.

Pastor Josh Janzen will begin his pastoral work at FMC on Monday, August 29. He will be installed on September 11. We will welcome him and his wife Stephanie at the Church Picnic on Sunday, September 11 at 5 p.m. at the Chautauqua Tabernacle.

A Farewell for Pastor Roger will be held on Sunday, August 21 with a potluck noon meal and program following worship.

Kay Goossen is on hospice. We pray that she may be surrounded by God's presence and peace. She remains at the Good Samaritan Home.

New email address for Pat & Gene Penner: genepatpenner@gmail.com

Gerald Jantzen continues to recuperate at the Good Samaritan, 401 S 22nd St, #106, Beatrice, NE 68310. Please continue to keep Gerald and Rogena in your prayers.

WMS is in need of new flat twin sheets to use as backing for tied quilts. If you can supply any, please put them on the west counter in the kitchen.

Please find a Tuition Fund Pledge sheet in your mailbox. It explains how the fund works and gives the dates the pledges are due if you participate. Clairra Janssen currently uses the Tuition Fund to attend Bethel College.

If you are interested in **assisting the immigrant families in Beatrice** get established, please see the information on the bulletin board. Put your name under the household/month you want to bring groceries. There is an envelope below the sign-up sheet with additional information. You need not speak Spanish to deliver the drop off of some of the suggested groceries. Please give Jim Ensz a call (402-239-0062) if you have questions.

Your donations to help send FMC young people to camp may be put in the offering plate, marked "**FMC Camp Fund**".