



## Welcome to First Mennonite Church

June 1, 2025

### Vacation Bible School Program

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

**Serving Today:** The VBS Kids and their Leaders

Pastor Josh Janzen and Pastor Sarah

Audio: Marv Goossen

Video: Jane Esau

Hosts: Don & Judy Jantzen

PPT: Asha Jantzen

Ushers: Brandon Esau & Doug Casey

**Last Sunday: Offerings:** MMN \$1646 **Attendance:** 68

**Offering today:** Mother to Mother Diaper Bank **Next Sunday:** FMC

#### Happening this week:

Sunday, June 2 10:30 am VBS Program during worship  
Tuesday, June 4 1:30 pm WMS Quilting & Tying  
5:00 pm Shep Grp 2 serves Warrens Table  
Sunday, June 9 9:30 am Adult Sunday School  
10:30 am Worship

#### June Birthdays:

3: Dorothy Zimmerman 4: Missionary Dave Stutzman  
8: Neal Trantham  
16: Van Vanderschaaf, Kollyns Hohensee  
20: Gayland Regier 22: Rikki Hohensee  
27: Deb Goossen 28: June Diller

- 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 107.5 in our parking lot. The bulletin is at [fmcbeatrice.org](http://fmcbeatrice.org), under the More tab; select documents; church docs, minutes & bulletins.

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Go to [www.mennowdc.org](http://www.mennowdc.org) for Western District Conference news.

**Welcome & 2025 VBS Recap**

Linsey Schardt, Shana Ensz

**Opening Prayer**

Lori Thimm

**Song: "Every Move I Make"**

VBS Kids

**Our Bible Verse to Remember:**

Psalm 93:4

*"But Lord, you are more powerful than the roar of the ocean. You are stronger than the waves of the sea. Lord, you are powerful in heaven."*

**Song: "Shake a Friend's Hand"**

VBS Kids

**Offering Challenge:** Mother to Mother Diaper Bank

Lori Thimm

**Song: "The River is Here"**

VBS & Congregation

**Drama: "Wilderness Waves"** Exodus 17:17

VBS Kids

**Drama: "Waves on the Sea"** Mark 4:35-41

VBS Kids

**Drama: "River of Life"** Revelation 22:1-5, 16-17

VBS Kids

**Songs by VBS Kids: "River of Life"**

**"Great Big God"**

**"He Knows My Name"**

**The Week in Pictures**

Asha Jantzen

**Worship Offering Challenge Reveal**

Lori Thimm

**Sharing and Prayer**

Pastor Josh

## Blessing

Pastor Josh

**Sending Song: "You Shall Go Out with Joy"**

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

The **Adult Sunday School** class is the only class being held this summer. It's at 9:30 in the Fellowship Hall. New attendees are always welcome!

Add the **Church Picnic** to your calendar! Sunday, September 7 at 5:00 p.m. at Chautauqua Park Tabernacle. Dan says there will be some very **special additions** this year that you won't want to miss! Suspense is building!!

A **memorial service for Ruth Penner** will be held June 12, 2025, at 11 am at Kidron Hall in Kidron Bethel Village, 3001 Ivy Drive, North Newton, KS. The family welcomes your presence. The service will also be livestreamed at <https://www.youtube.com/@KidronBethelVillage/streams>. Ruth passed away March 30, 2025. Ruth and Marvin were long-time members of FMC before moving to Kansas. Memorial gifts can be made to Mennonite Central Committee and Kidron Bethel Village. Condolences may be sent to Marvin at 3001 Ivy Drive, Apt 303, N. Newton, KS 67117. Her obituary can be read at Petersen Funeral Home, Newton.

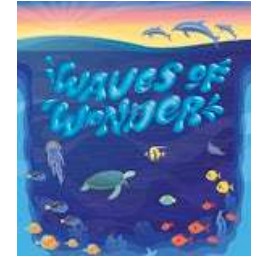
Support Local Farmers at the **Beatrice Farmers Market!** Every Thursday from May 15 to October 9, from 4:00 to 6:30 PM at the corner of 6th & High.

**Camp Mennoscah needs a head cook** for June 22-26 and **nurses** for June 26-28 (3rd & 4th graders), July 13-18 (6th-8th graders), and July 27-Aug. 1 (Senior High camp). They also welcome **donations for the "generic pop"** break each afternoon, **and for a commercial pool vacuum**. If you can help with any of these, please contact Olivia at 620-297-3290 or [olivia.bartel@campmennoscah.org](mailto:olivia.bartel@campmennoscah.org).

**Announcing Virtual Summer Story Days at WDC Resource Library.** Join WDC Resource Library staff for stories and activities for ages 3-8 and their caregivers on June 7, July 12, & August 9. We will mail virtual participants craft kits! Sign up for virtual participation at [forms.gle/8DnWnLs64VkZJoeB6](https://forms.gle/8DnWnLs64VkZJoeB6). Question? Email [crlib@mennowdc.org](mailto:crlib@mennowdc.org).

**VBS Offering Project** is for the Mother to Mother Diaper Bank. We asked students/families to bring diapers, wipes, or cash throughout the week. We challenged ourselves to collect 1000 diapers and 25 packages of wipes. **Additional Offering Challenge:** If \$3000 or more is collected in the offering today, June 1, there will be water balloons and buckets of water for the kids to **shower on Pastor Josh** outside following worship.

## Vacation Bible School "Waves of Wonder!"



**VBS Committee:** Lori Thimm, Linsey Schardt, Laura Williamson

**Decorating:** Zella Penner

**Photographer:** Asha Jantzen

**Morning Worship, Music, Drama:** Pastor Josh, Pastor Sarah, Shana Ens

**Bible Beach:** Amanda Thimm, Van VanderSchaaf, Paula Heinz, Laura Williamson

**Creators Coast:** Barb Thimm, Jane Esau, Vicki Hinz-Ens, Kathy Casey, Rikki Hohensee, Paula Heinz

**Seaside Games:** Cara Esau, Darcy Esau, Pastor Josh, Paula Heinz

**Coral Reef Café:** Kathy Casey, Judy Jantzen, Anita Reimer

**Music Harbor:** Grace Tegtmeier, Pastor Sarah



**Crew Captain for Pre K & K:** Linsey Schardt

**Her Crew:** Randall Ens, Gentre Esau, Henry VanderSchaaf, Paige Rheem, Parker Williamson, Leo Troxel



**Crew Captain for Grades 1 & 2:** Dolores Jantzen

**Her Crew:** Navy Esau, Piper Heinz, Sam VanderSchaaf, Layla Miller, Briella Card, Stella Ens, Colbi Rheem, Eli Troxel, Camila Benavides



**Crew Captain for Grade 3:** Dan Kunzman

**His Crew:** Brexton Card, Maxson Esau, Sloan Esau, Beckett Heinz, Ryan Hohensee, Blake Thimm, Braxton Williamson, Tony Tegtmeier, Samantha Tegtmeier, Hannah Tegtmeier



**Crew Captain for Grade 4 & 5:** Debbie Goossen

**Her Crew:** Ryder Bent, Jack Miller, Langston Johnson, Miles Esau, Graham Schardt, Tanner Siefken, Jude VanderSchaaf

**Youth Leaders:** Denise Jantzen, Brendan Thimm, Riley Schardt, Mattie Miller, Eli VanderSchaaf

**Thank you** to all who helped make VBS possible -- **You are appreciated!**

**Thank you** to Marv & Lisa Goossen for Pizza on Friday noon.

**Thank you** to all who donated cookies or money for snacks.

**Parents, Thank You for sending your Children to VBS!!**

**Psalm 93:4:** *But Lord, you are more powerful than the roar of the ocean. You are stronger than the waves of the sea. Lord, you are powerful in heaven.*