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

Serving Today:

Pastor: Josh JanzenOrganist: Karen WiebeHosts: John & Zella PennerAudio: Jim EnszLive Stream: John ThimmPPT: Debbie GoossenUshers: Bill Thimm and Brad ThimmWorship Leader: Neal TranthamGreeters and Children's Story: Vern & Dolores Jantzen

Last Sunday: Offerings: Community Food Pantry \$6,050; FMC \$2,885.81 Attendance: 124

Offering today: First Mennonite Church Offering next Sunday: First Mennonite Church

Happening this week:

Sunday, June 11	9:30 am Intergenerational Sunday School	
	10:30 a.m. Worship	
Tuesday, June 13	1:30 p.m. WMS Quilting & Tying	
Thursday, June 15	7:00 p.m. Church Board meeting	
Sunday, June 18	9:30 am Intergenerational Sunday School	
	10:30 a.m. Worship	

June Birthdays

3: Dorothy Zimmerman	4: Dave Stutzman			
8: Neal Trantham	9: Denise A. Jantzen			
14: Edna Ensz				
16: Kollyns Hohensee, Van Vanderschaaf, Bryan Funk				
20: Gayland Regier	22: Rikki Hohensee			
27: Debra Goossen	28: June Diller			

- Ask an usher for assistance with a hearing device.
- We collect Best Choice labels & used cards and envelopes.
- **Food Pantry:** Please put items in the narthex box or give cash donations to Dolores Jantzen.
- Please ask the office for a **PDF of the church directory** for your phone.
- Please contact Dan Kunzman or LeRoy Janzen if you have a task **Men's Brotherhood** can help with.
- Mennonite **Camp Scholarships** are available through FMC. Register and then let the office know.

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Welcome to First Mennonite Church

June 11, 2023

Welcome

Call to Worship (Beth Meri	ill Neel 'Hold	l Fast to What	t is Good',
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- L: Welcome, friends, to this holy day.
- P: We come to offer thanks; we come to sing and pray.
- L: Welcome, friends, to this time set apart,
- P: A time to remember those we love, and time to remember the holy promises of God.
- L: Welcome, friends, to this table of remembrance and joy.
- P: The table where we are fed, the feast we share with many.
- L: Welcome, friends, and let us worship God.

Prayer

Hymr	: "Let's	Walk	Together"
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VT 6

Confession of Faith

L: Providing God, you love us, but we have not loved you. P: You call, but we have not listened. We walk away from neighbors in need, wrapped in our own concerns. We condone evil, prejudice, warfare, and greed.

L: God of grace, help us to admit our sin, so that as you come to us in mercy, we may repent, turn to you, and receive forgiveness; *ALL: through Jesus Christ our Redeemer. Amen.*

Hymn: "Faith Begins by Letti	ing Go"	VT 585
Children's Story: "Meals with	h Jesus – Levi"	
	-Vern & Dolores Jantzen	
Scripture: Luke 5:27-32		

Sermon: "Bad Company"

Hymn: "I'm Gonna Eat at the Welcome Table" VT 801 vs. 1-3

Sharing and Prayer

Benediction

Sending Song: "Praise God (Dedication Anthem)" VT 70

Offering to First Mennonite Church

Welcome! We are glad you are here! The service is available at <u>https://www.youtube.com/c/fmcbeatrice</u> and on FM 107.5 in our parking lot. To follow along in the bulletin, visit our website fmcbeatrice.org; under the More tab select Documents, then Church docs, minutes, and bulletins.

Summer Sunday School intergenerational class begins today, June 11-August 13. There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the Narthex for teachers and helpers for each Sunday. Come for fun and learning about following Jesus!

The adult Sunday School class is pausing discussions on the book *"Rethinking Life"* as we participate in the summer Intergenerational class.

After much consideration the Worship Council has decided to take a break from consistent **weekly Children's Stories** through the summer months (June-August). With the busyness of vacation schedules for our families and for those who are graciously willing to help with stories, we feel this would be a good time to take a little break. However, with that being said, if anyone would like to share something for Children's Story throughout the summer, we are more than happy to schedule that. Please reach out to Worship Council if you have any questions.

Several FMC youth are attending Camp Mennoscah this summer. Please pray that may have safe travels and growth in Christ.

Sermon Series: Throughout the gospels, Jesus is constantly eating and sharing meals with people. And in pretty much every occasion where Jesus eats, some pretty profound teaching comes with it. In his book, "A Meal with Jesus", author and theologian Tim Chester argues that sharing a meal was a part of Jesus' missional strategy for restoration and transformation, where grace and community abounded. So, all throughout the summer, we are going to take some time to slow down, explore these stories of scripture and have "Dinner with Jesus."

Thank you to all for your overwhelmingly generous offerings last Sunday of \$6,050 for the Community Food Pantry and Emergency Services! Thank you to VBS volunteers and kids for a successful Vacation Bible School week. *We are all "Changemakers"*!

New address for Laura Franz: 105 Ira Lane, Wymore, NE 68466. Her phone number remains the same.

The NE MCC Golf Tournament is August 12 at York Country Club. Register by July 30. More info is on the bulletin board.

The Decorating Committee welcomes fresh flowers from anyone who would like to bring them to decorate the church this summer.

MCC School Kit Challenge: School Kit Challenge: 10,000 school kits during the month of August. Plus, a free download for fun activities for kids to help is available at <u>mcc.org/schoolkitchallenge</u>.

Camp Mennoscah: (campmennoscah.org or 620-297-3290) **Camp has received a **matching gift of up to \$100,000!** Please consider donating so we may receive the maximum from this matching gift! ****Needed: Nurse for** June 15-17, 5-gallon **buckets & lids**, clean empty **toilet paper and paper towel rolls** for crafts.

2023 WDC Annual Assembly isn't just for delegates! Delegate or not, join us at Tabor Mennonite Church, Newton, KS August 11-13. There will be multigenerational fun faith formation, quiet recreational options, wonderful worship, Mennograss concert and BBQ, as well as comforter tying for MCC, and more. There will be workshops to enjoy, too. If you do want to be a delegate, registration is coming soon! Talk to Jerry Reimer to represent FMC.

MCC Material Resources Center in North Newton critically low on inventory: An MCC kit cannot be distributed until each item for the kit is assembled, and some supplies in the Material Resources Center are so low that kits cannot be processed for shipping. You can help by filling the following needs: *new* infant onesies and sleepers (3-12month sizes); notebooks (70 sheets) and black or blue ballpoint pens. Locally, MCC distributes prisoner care and returning citizen care kits, for those kits we currently need: shampoo (20 oz or more), men's deodorant (min 2.25 oz) and toothpaste (min. 5 oz). Buy online and ship it to MCC or bring items to MCC in North Newton (121 E. 30th St, North Newton, KS 67117). Questions are always welcome, please contact <u>brociamueller@mcc.org</u> or 316.283.2720. A full list of MCC kit contents can be found at <u>mcc.org/kits</u>.