

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

Serving Today:

Worship Leader: Brett Esau

Hosts: Don & Judy Jantzen

Audio: Larry Thimm

Ushers: Brandon Esau & Jim Ens

Message: Chris Tegtmeier

Pianist: Karen

Power point: Eli Vanderschaaf

Video: Pam Kunzman

Kid's Time: Grace Tegtmeier

Last Sunday Attendance: 114 **Offering:** FMC \$6,385; Tech Fund \$225;
Meat Canning \$500.

Today's Offering: Mission Partners, the Stutzmans **Next Week:** FMC

Coming Up this Week:

Sunday, Nov 23

9:30 am Adult Sunday School

10:30 am Worship with

message by Chris Tegtmeier

Tuesday, Nov 25

1:30 pm WMS Quilting & Tying and

WMS Annual Meeting

Wednesday, Nov 26

No Wednesday night activities

Thursday, Nov 27

HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

Sunday, Nov 30

9:30 am Adult Sunday School and

Christmas Practice for children

10:30 am 1st Sunday of Advent Worship

November Birthdays:

2: Immanuel Stutzman

3: Brad Thimm

5: Becky Riesen

14: Ivan Reimer

18: Kathy Casey, Katie Jantzen

24: Linsey Schardt

27: Nathanael Stutzman

29: Lesley Trantham, Aaron Jantzen

30: Don Diller

*You can find our services on YouTube (search for FMCBeatrice).

The bulletin is at fmcbeatrice.org under documents.

*If you use the **nursery**, please clean up after using it. Thanks!

*Ask an usher for assistance with a **hearing device**.

***We collect** Best Choice labels & used cards and envelopes.

***Food Pantry items** go in the box in the narthex.

Checks for the food pantry may go in the offering plate.

***Men's Brotherhood Project?** Contact Dan Kunzman or LeRoy Janzen.

*Last to leave the church? Please **turn off all lights!**

*Visit mennowdc.org to see what's new at Western District Conference.

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Welcome to First Mennonite Church
November 23, 2025
Christ the King Sunday

Welcome

Call to Worship

Leader: Come, people of God, give thanks to the One who is before all things and in whom all things hold together.

People: We lift our hearts to Christ, the image of the invisible God!

Leader: Through Christ all things were created—things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible.

People: Christ is the head of the body, the church; the beginning, the firstborn from the dead.

Leader: Come, let us worship the One who is our peace and our hope.

All: To Christ belong all glory, honor, and praise—now and forever!

Prayer

Hymn 30: "Jesus Calls Us"

Confession

Leader: Christ Jesus, ruler of all, you are before all things, and in you all things hold together. Yet we confess that we often live as if we belong to ourselves.

People: Forgive us, O Christ, when we make ourselves the center instead of you.

Leader: You are the head of the body, the church, yet we fail to love one another as you have loved us.

People: Forgive us, O Christ, when we divide what you have made one.

Leader: Through you, God was pleased to reconcile all things, making peace through the blood of your cross. Yet we cling to power, pride, and control.

People: Forgive us, O Christ, when we resist your way of peace.

Leader: Christ Jesus, firstborn from the dead, reign in us again—that our lives may reflect your mercy, our hearts your compassion, and our world your peace.

All: Amen.

Assurance

Leader: Hear the good news:

Christ is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation;
in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell.

People: Through him God reconciled all things,
making peace through the blood of his cross.

Leader: In Christ we are forgiven, restored, and made new.

People: Thanks be to God! Christ reigns, and his peace reigns in us.

Offering Hymn 570: "When We Walk with the Lord"

(Offering is for our missionary partners, Dave and Rebekka Stutzman)

Children's Story

Scripture: Colossians 1:11-20

Sermon: "Christ the King"

Chris Tegtmeier

Hymn 592: "How Firm a Foundation"

Sharing and Prayer

Benediction

Hymn 812: "Sent Forth by God's Blessing"

Passing the Peace

Welcome! We're glad you're here and hope to see you again!

Pastor Josh is out of the office on parental leave from November 12 - December 10 and will not be reachable during that time. For church matters or assistance please reach out the church office at office@fmcbeatrice.org 402-251-7180, or Pastor Sarah (507-993-6820).

.All ladies and girls are invited to **the WMS Christmas Brunch** on Saturday, December 6, 2025 at 11:00 AM in the Fellowship Hall at First Mennonite Church. We are very excited to have Cassie Klingenberg share with us.

Mark & Mary Lovci will provide special music on November 30, the first Sunday of Advent.

Thank you to Chris Tegtmeier for the message today.

Christmas Program practice begins next Sunday, November 30 at 9:30 a.m.

Our **banner** "Nun danket alle Gott" means "Now thank we all our God."

Sock and Underwear Drive through November 26 by Mother to Mother. Donations of new children's socks and underwear through size 7/8 can be dropped off at Mother to Mother/Burwood Books.

A meal train has been set up for the Janzen family following the birth of Dorothea. You can sign up at this link to provide them with an evening meal. <https://mealtrain.com/zqz52y>

What is a Meal Train? There are times in our lives when friends and family ask, "What can I do to help out?" The answer is usually to help them with a meal. When many friends provide support through a meal, Meal Train keeps everyone organized.

In this season of Thanksgiving, **we give thanks for you.** We are overwhelmed with gratitude of the love, support and generosity you have shown us. Thank you for your donations, meals, gift cards, venmos, messages, and most of all, prayers. It means more than we can express. Kent is making progress every day. We credit that to his determination but also to your prayers and support. We have not felt alone through all of this. We are forever grateful for your love and generosity.

With Love and Gratitude, Kent, Robbyn, Kollyns, Rikki and Ryan

Beatrice Farmers Market's Fall Farmers Market & Brunch Buffet - Sunday, November 23, 10 am to 2 pm at Vintage Venue. See Katie Jantzen to purchase tickets for the local food brunch buffet. Admission to the indoor farmers market is free. Support local farmers, bakers, & makers and celebrate the fall harvest!

The Community Food Pantry struggles to keep shelves full this time of year with additional community family needs. Please consider donating food, hygiene items, or money to them.

"Lights in the Darkness – A Candlelight Service of Hope" will be held on Black Friday, November 28 at 5:30 p.m. at Charles Park, 200 N 5th St, Beatrice. There will be music and messages of hope. Sponsored by Blue Valley Indivisible. There will be a freewill offering for the food pantries. All are invited to come!

The Homestead Harmonizers & The Beatrice Regional Orchestra present their Christmas concert on Sunday, December 7 at 2:00 p.m. at the Hevelone Center, Beatrice High School. Tickets are \$10 with students free.