

LISTENING as COMMUNITY

Scripture Luke 4:31-44 (back of bulletin) Darrel Knoll
Message Pastor Susan

THE COMMUNITY RESPONDS

*Hymn Step by Step Grey Sgbk 35
*Benediction Pastor Susan

*adapted from Words for Worship 106

WELCOME TO ALL *who are guests this morning.*
We hope you feel warmly received and experience a time of worship. Please feel free to contact Pastor Susan if you would like to visit.

WEDNESDAY EVENINGS: Join us for 6:15 p.m. supper!
Age-grouped activities follow for children and youth.

Adults meet in the chapel at 7:05 p.m.:

- Jan 13 – open forum discussion on FMC Mission
Committee structure and purpose
- Jan 20 – Aleen Ratzlaff, Culture, Communication
and Faith Session 1
- Jan 27 – Aleen Ratzlaff, Culture, Communication
and Faith Session 2
- Feb 3 – Aleen Ratzlaff, Culture, Communication and
Faith Session 3
- Feb 10 – NO MEAL OR ACTIVITIES – ASH
WEDNESDAY SERVICE 7 p.m.
- Feb 17 – March 9: Come Lord Jesus, Be our Host –
communion in our congregation
Pastor Susan, discussion leader
- March 16 – NO MEAL OR ACTIVITIES – SPRING
BREAK
- March 23 – April 13: Collected Thoughts – Keith
Harder
- April 13 – Last regular Wednesday evening
- April 20 – FMC HiFY Variety Show

THIS WEDNESDAY: How we communicate relates to both our faith and culture, and we come to better understand our faith when we encounter the faith of others. Aleen Ratzlaff will unpack aspects of communication, faith and culture in a three-session series on Wednesday evenings with the goal to better understand ourselves so that we can better understand others. 7:05 p.m. in the Chapel.

FMC PHOTO BOARD: Only YOU can prevent someone from not knowing who you are! Bring a printed photo, no larger than 4 x 6. Go ahead and post your photo -- labels are on the board. Thank you in advance!

THIS WEDNESDAY, come help us compile a list of our **FMC mission** involvements, and help vision and discern of how we want to make that mission involvement visible at our church! Fellowship Hall around tables. Tim Frye will lead discussion.

IT TAKES THE WHOLE CHURCH to run the whole church, but let's give special thanks to our Treasurer, Glen Diener, who has considerable year-end tasks to attend to. Thank you, Glen.

TWO WEEKS AGO, we listened to sharing from the congregation during our December 27 worship service. Thank you, each of you who attended that icy day, and thank you to each one who spoke. What was shared continues to be thought and prayed over.

HEADS UP! Bethel College's Fall Fest is September 30 and October 1 this year. This is earlier than most years, so mark your calendars.

JOIN US FEBRUARY 5 & 6 for IF:Hillsboro. This event is being planned BY Hillsboro women FOR Hillsboro women across generations and denominations. We are excited to meet locally and livestream the IF:Austin event along with women all over the nation for times of worship, prayer, and learning from God's Word. For more information or to register go to: ifgathering.com/localgatherings/ifhillsboro.

MCC FELLOWSHIP MEALS bring people from across KS together around a host table. MCC volunteers match up the guests with the hosts, so that strangers can soon become friends around the table. To get more detailed information on being a Host or a Guest at this "Guess who is coming to dinner" event on either Feb. 28th or March 6th, complete the form available on the table in the back. All forms need to be processed by Feb. 8th. If interested, talk with the MCC Sale liaison committee members of FMC, Deryll and Jan Amstutz and Douglas and Nancy Graber.

MCC Sale Liaison Committee has held an alternate MCC Fellowship Meal here at FMC for the last several years. Plans for such an event are taking shape but exact information and details, yet to be announced.

MCC COMFORTER BLITZ: During Advent, FMC donated more than \$700 for this cause! FMC women have donated countless hours putting together "tops" in preparation for the "Blitz" that is happening in March. We plan to continue this project on Monday nights at 7 p.m., these next couple of months! All are welcome to join us right here at FMC. The comforters from the annual blitz are among the thousands of comforters that MCC distributes overseas each year to those displaced by or seeking refuge from political unrest or natural disasters. Give hope and comfort. A handmade comforter provides not only warmth but also a tangible message to people that their needs are not forgotten.

If you can tie a knot, pin fabric, or machine stitch, come and help with the MCC Comforter Blitz, March 7-9 (9 a.m. to 5 p.m.) in Yoder, KS. Jan Amstutz plans to take a day off from work on Wednesday 3/9 and will take people with her in her vehicle. Nancy Graber is planning to take off either Monday 3/7 or Tuesday 3/8, and can fill her van. Please contact Nancy to help her select which of these days to take off work. Who will consider joining us in this endeavor? Please contact Nancy or Jan by face, phone or email!

AMONG OUR FRIENDS

Jeff and Deb Jensen are stepping back from their Nurture leadership roles here at First Mennonite. Prayers as we all adjust to this change. Schedules for children's time and nursery will be set up very soon and you may be contacted. Thank you!

Gerald Ediger, Becky Gage's father, has been hospitalized here in Hillsboro. Prayers for the family. The family also received good news this week that Gerald has been approved for disability. Praise God for this provision.

Lois Groening had a procedure this past Friday to relieve her back pain. Prayers for Lois and Loren as she heals.

Elsie Phillips granddaughter in Fort Collins gave birth to a baby boy on January 2 who is needing special medical care. The family lives in Fort Collins, but the baby is in the critical care unit in the Denver Children's Hospital. Things seems to be improving. Let's lift prayers for Larissa, the mom and for Hanson, the baby, and the whole family.

Wonderful, merciful Savior

by Dawn Rogers and Eric Wyse

Wonderful, merciful Savior,
precious Redeemer and Friend;
who would have thought that a Lamb could
rescue the souls of men?
Oh, You rescue the souls of men.

Counselor, Comforter, Keeper,
Spirit we long to embrace;
You offer hope when our hearts have
hopelessly lost the way.
Oh, we hopelessly lost the way.

You are the One that we praise,
You are the One we adore.
You give the healing and grace
our hearts always hunger for --
Oh, our hearts always hunger for.

Almighty, Infinite Father,
faithfully loving Your own;
here in our weakness You find us
falling before Your throne,
Oh, we're falling before Your throne.
(refrain 2x)

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Tuesday: Joel Klaassen, Carolyn Penner, Matt Regier,
Tia Regier

Wednesday: Eli Jantz

Thursday: Ron & Marci Heidebrecht

Driver: Deryll Amstutz **Next Week:** Lee Albrecht

CALENDAR

Jan. 12 7 p.m. Worship Committee Meeting
Jan. 13 8 p.m. Care Meeting, Vision Council Meeting
Jan. 14 7 p.m. Ministries Council Meeting
Jan. 24 Carry-In Meal, Annual Cong. Meeting

TREASURER'S REPORT 1/3/2015

FMC Ministries\$2,560.93
MCC\$25.00
Comforter Project\$50.00
HiFY\$200.00
Youth Room Remodel\$508.00
Year-to-date Ministries Income.....\$9,179.82
Year-to-date Ministries Expenses.....\$1,695.99
Ministries Fund Balance\$7,483.83

Last Week Attendance: 73

Luke 4:31-44

He went down to Capernaum, a city in Galilee, and was teaching them on the sabbath. ³²They were astounded at his teaching, because he spoke with authority. ³³In the **synagogue** there was a man who had the spirit of an unclean demon, and he cried out with a loud voice, ³⁴"Let us alone! What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are, the Holy One of God." ³⁵But Jesus rebuked him, saying, "Be silent, and come out of him!" When the demon had thrown him down before them, he came out of him without having done him any harm. ³⁶They were all amazed and kept saying to one another, "What kind of utterance is this? For with authority and power he commands the unclean spirits, and out they come!" ³⁷And a report about him began to reach every place in the region.

³⁸After leaving the synagogue he entered **Simon's house**. Now Simon's mother-in-law was suffering from a high fever, and they asked him about her. ³⁹Then he stood over her and rebuked the fever, and it left her. Immediately she got up and began to serve them. ⁴⁰As the sun was setting, all those who had any who were sick with various kinds of diseases brought them to him; and he laid his hands on each of them and cured them. ⁴¹Demons also came out of many, shouting, "You are the Son of God!" But he rebuked them and would not allow them to speak, because they knew that he was the Messiah. ⁴²At daybreak he departed and went into a **deserted place**. And the crowds were looking for him; and when they reached him, they wanted to prevent him from leaving them. ⁴³But he said to them, "I must proclaim the good news of the kingdom of God to the **other cities** also; for I was sent for this purpose." ⁴⁴So he continued proclaiming the message in the synagogues of Judea.

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FIRST MENNONITE CHURCH

In Christ -
Making Disciples through
Loving Relationships

Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Worship 10:35 a.m.

January 10, 2016

GATHERING in COMMUNITY

Gathering Music Shirley Flaming
Welcome & Announcements Darrel & Pastor Susan
Prelude to Worship Shirley Flaming
We carry in a flame, the Bible, and a prayer cloth,
trusting the Lord to guide us, the Word to teach us and
prayer to knit our lives together with God in our worship.

Call to Worship Darrel Knoll

God has breathed
the breath of life within you.

Blessed be God, and God's blessing be upon us.

God has saved us
from sin and death
through the gift of Jesus.

Blessed be God, and God's blessing be upon us.

Jesus heals in the Spirit's power.

Blessed be God, and God's blessing be upon us.

We are empowered
to serve and heal
in Jesus' name.

ALL: Blessed be God, and God's blessing be upon us!

*Hymn Joyful, joyful, we adore thee No. 71

*Invocation Darrel Knoll

Hymn Grey Sgbk 59

When Jesus worked here on earth

SHARING in COMMUNITY

Children's Story Pastor Susan
(children dismissed to Children's Time)

Sharing and Prayer Pastor Susan

Prayer Song Ethan and Holly

Wonderful, Merciful Savior (in bulletin)

Offering Shirley Flaming

Special offering today is for the MCC Relief Sale unless otherwise designated.