

LISTENING

Scripture Acts 1:3-9, 2:1-4 Susie Kliewer
Meditation Holy Spirit, Deliverer Pastor Susan
Sharing from Steve Dalton
Song My Deliverer by Rich Mullins (words in bulletin)

RESPONDING

*Hymn My soul cries out Grey Sgbk 40
*Benediction Pastor Susan

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.

TODAY WE HONOR our graduate, Callie Linnens from Hillsboro High School, and we will welcome Steve Dalton as a member here at First Mennonite Church.

TODAY WE ARE CELEBRATING Pentecost, the coming of the Holy Spirit to the followers of Jesus, waiting and praying in Jerusalem. Pentecost was an existing feast day (Festival of Weeks) in the Jewish calendar, 50 days after Passover (Easter). In our Acts scripture, the Spirit dramatically comes to these followers, marking the birth of the church.

VARIETY SHOW! The youth group will be hosting the Variety Show on May 24. The meal will begin at 6:30 p.m. with "performances" beginning close to 7 p.m. This evening of fun, food and fellowship enables members of First Mennonite to share our gifts, talents and eccentricities with our community. It also serves as a fundraiser for Hi-FY as they look forward to a summer of activities and convention in Orlando. Sign up is on the whiteboard!

PRAIRIE VIEW, INC. staff will bring a program about the "13 Reasons Why" series that many teens are viewing. This resourcing event for parents and youth pastors is planned for June 5 at 7 p.m. in the FMC Fellowship Hall.

AFTER MANY YEARS, Shirley Flaming will be ending her time as one of our organists here at First Mennonite. Please sign the card in the office **this week** and write a note if you feel inclined. Shirley has loved her time with us. "I feel so comfortable!" she says. We want as many notes of thanks as possible. We will celebrate Shirley and her gifts to us on May 28, her last Sunday as an FMC organist.

THANK YOU TO THOSE who trimmed trees at our Haven of Rest Cemetery this past Wednesday!

SUNDAY SCHOOL PICNIC is at 10:30 a.m. on June 4 at the Scout House in Hillsboro's Memorial Park. The Cottonwood River Band will bring music. Come join us as we worship with our Trinity Mennonite brothers and sisters. Carry-in picnic meal follows. Bring your lawn chair or blanket, and table service.

THE TRIVIA QUESTIONS from the Hillsboro Community Hospital opening are on the pastor's bulletin board. Take a look!

MAY IS MENTAL HEALTH MONTH. Copies of Prairie View's excellent magazine are in the foyer.

Here are items that Prairie View needs every month:

- White hand towels
- Board games for children ages 10-16
- New packages of adult socks or underwear (all sizes)
- Solid colored T-Shirts (all sizes youth through adult)

Please place in the foyer bin during the month of May.

THE SUMMER FOOD 4 KIDS PROGRAM will start May 30 and serve noon meals through August 11. These meals will be served at the Trinity Mennonite Church (211 S. Elm) from 12:00-12:30 to all ages. Each child from age 8-18 will also receive a free pool pass for the day. We want to invite all children who are on free or reduced lunches at school to come! We also want to invite volunteers to cook, serve, sit at tables with the kids, and donate cookies, fresh fruit, fresh vegetables, and money. Call 947-3824 to help. It costs \$4.60 per day to feed each child. Support the children of our community! See pastor's bulletin board for financial details.

OUR SUMMER WORSHIP THEMES are Covenant (June), Community (July) and Conscience (August). From June 11 through September 3, worship will begin at 10 a.m.

THERE WILL BE A MINI COMFORTER BLITZ on Friday, June 2 from 1-8 p.m. at the MCC Center in Newton. Bring your own supper if you plan to be there during that time. We will also continue Sat., June 3 from 8 a.m. to noon. Come if you can to help! See Jan Amstutz for more info.

IN CONJUNCTION WITH last week's announcements regarding Pastor Susan's term, Vision Council has secured a person, Robert Yutzy, to guide our congregation through fun and fruitful sessions together. Vision anticipates that the process will help our congregation hear each other and listen for the Spirit's guidance as our congregation moves forward.

Vision Council has opted for four sessions. Each of the four weeks listed below will have two identical sessions, one Wednesday evening and one Sunday evening. **Please make time to attend one session per week.**

Session 1: Weds., May 31 OR Sunday June 4
Session 2: Weds., June 14 OR Sunday June 18
Session 3: Weds., June 28 OR Sunday July 2
Session 4: Weds., July 5 OR Sunday July 9

Meetings will begin at 7:15 p.m.

Thank you for participating in the future of our congregation!

COMMUNITY IF:TABLE – We would like to invite all ladies as we gather around the table to eat together and discuss questions about life and faith. Sunday, June 4, 5-7 p.m. at Parkview Church, JMBY room. (Enter through the middle door on the East side.) Please bring a plate of finger food to share. Call Rita Bartel, 620-382-6699 or Sara Wichert with questions, 620-947-2749.

JUNE 11 WE WILL HAVE a guest speaker, Sara Jo Waldron, youth pastor at Hillsboro Mennonite Brethren Church. Asia Frye will be worship leader. Pastor Susan will be at a family reunion at Rocky Mountain Mennonite Camp. Youth Pastor Hank will be at Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary in Indiana for a week.

AMONG OUR FRIENDS

We lift these friends in prayer:

Doug Bartel
Harold Woelk
Nadine Friesen
Groenings
Heidebrechts

BETHEL COLLEGE:

Pray for God’s spirit to be with Bethel College commencement speaker Aaron Austin and with the 2017 graduates, their families and friends who gather to celebrate with them the completion of their Bethel education.

MCC:

The MCC Material Resources Center in North Newton, Kansas is running particularly low on the following items: bottles of shampoo (13-24 oz.), bars of infant friendly/mild soap, infant sleepers/onesies (sizes 3-9 months), men’s crew socks (white). Without these items, various kits cannot be completed so we need your help! Kit items can be dropped off at 121 E. 30th in North Newton or purchased online (Amazon Smile or other online retailers) and shipped directly to MCC. Questions? Please contact Kate Mast 316.283.2720, katemast@mcc.org.

CALENDAR

- May 23 7 p.m. Worship Committee Meeting
- May 24 Variety Show
 - 6:30 p.m. – Meal
 - 7 p.m. – “Performances”
- May 28 Shirley Flaming’s last Sunday
 - 7 p.m. Hymn Sing – Parkview Church
- June 4 S.S. Picnic with Trinity
- June 11 Worship starting time: 10 a.m.

(see inside page for Vision meeting dates)

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Wednesday: Shirley Flaming
Thursday: Hank & Erin Unruh

TREASURER’S REPORT 5/14/2017

FMC Ministries	\$777.00
Hesston College	\$200.00
Year to Date Budget Income.....	\$49,454.47
Year-to-date Budget Expenses	\$52,185.60
FMC Ministries Fund Balance	-\$2,731.13

Last week’s attendance: 55

Acts 1:3-9

³ After his suffering [Jesus] presented himself alive to them by many convincing proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. ⁴ While staying with them, he ordered them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait there for the promise of the Father. “This,” he said, “is what you have heard from me; ⁵ for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now.”

⁶ So when they had come together, they asked him, “Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?” ⁷ He replied, “It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. ⁸ But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.” ⁹ When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight.

Acts 2:1-4

² When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. ² And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting.

³ Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. ⁴ All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

My Deliverer

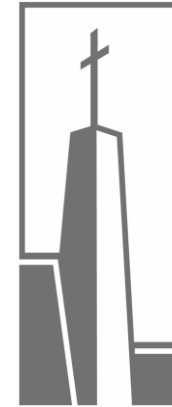
Rich Mullins

Joseph took his wife and her child
and they went to Africa
To escape the rage of a deadly king
There along the banks of the Nile,
Jesus listened to the song
That the captive children used to sing
They were singin'

My Deliverer is coming, my Deliverer is standing by
My Deliverer is coming, my Deliverer is standing by

Through a dry and thirsty land,
water from the Kenyon heights
Pours itself out of Lake Sangra’s broken heart
There in the Sahara winds
Jesus heard the whole world cry
For the healing that would flow from His own scars
The world was singing

My Deliverer is coming, my Deliverer is standing by
My Deliverer is coming, my Deliverer is standing by
He will never break His promise,
He has written it upon the sky
My Deliverer is coming, my Deliverer is standing by



FIRST MENNONITE CHURCH

In Christ -
Making Disciples through
Loving Relationships.

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

May 21, 2017

PENTECOST

GATHERING

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| Gathering Music | Shirley Baltzer |
| (includes organ/piano arrangement of Widor’s Toccata) | |
| Welcome & Announcements | Susie and Pastor Susan |
| Prelude to Worship | Shirley Baltzer |
| *Call to Worship | Susie Kliever |
| Come, Holy Spirit,
lamplighter, comforter,
disturber and advocate. | |

**Come, fill the church
with gifts that the earth
can neither produce nor afford.**

Come, fill our lives
with the hallmarks of holiness:
peace and restlessness,
calm and enthusiasm.

**ALL: Come, promised Spirit of God!
We look to you,
we welcome you.**

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| *Hymn | I sing the mighty power of God | No. 46 |
| *Invocation | | Susie Kliever |
| Hymn | New earth, heavens new | No. 299 |

SHARING

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| Children’s Story | Laurel Koerner |
| Sharing and Prayer | Pastor Susan |
| Receiving Steve Dalton as a Member | No. 794 |
| Honoring Callie Linnens | Hank Unruh |
| Prayer Song | If you believe and I believe |
| Offering | Grey Sgbk 49
Shirley Baltzer |