

LISTENING

Scripture Romans 5:1-5 (back of bulletin) Julie Linnens
Message From Suffering to Hope Pastor Marv

RESPONDING

*Hymn I'll Fly Away Grey Sgbk 11
*Benediction Pastor Marv

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 Marv if you would like to visit.

THE MESSAGE NEXT SUNDAY will be delivered by Matt Regier.

PASTOR MARV WILL BE IN THE OFFICE Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday mornings this week from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Feel free to call or stop in during these times.

TRINITY MENNONITE CHURCH is celebrating their 50th anniversary next Sunday, May 29. Glen Diener will represent First Mennonite at the service. They will have a brunch at 9:30 a.m. with the worship service at 10:30 a.m. The organ recital will begin at 10:15 a.m. by Rosie Penner Kaufman. Lunch with storytelling will be at 11:30 a.m. followed by tours of original sites of Johannestal and Brudertal churches and cemeteries. Reservations for the lunch are requested by calling the church at 620-947-3824.

SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL IS COMING UP and we still need lots of volunteers! Please sign up on the marker board to help make coffee, bring food and clean up. Thank you for all offers of help!!!

TRINITY MENNONITE WANTS TO INVITE First Mennonite to the joint outdoor worship and picnic on June 5. We will gather at the ballpark complex shelter house just south of the swimming pool for a 10:30 a.m. service. We are delighted to have "Flannelbacks" from Bethel College to lead us in worship.

There are no trees at this location so please bring canopies, umbrellas, sunscreen, and lawn chairs. For the picnic, bring food to share and table service. Drinks will be provided. Come and enjoy the outdoors and good music as we worship and fellowship together!

THE PARKVIEW CHURCH is hosting a hymn sing **this evening** at 7:00 p.m. Everyone seemed to really enjoy themselves last time so they are inviting our congregation to join them again!

MENNONITE WOMEN USA: A Women's Bible Study Guide will come to our church in June, entitled "Faith Travels: Trusting God in Life's Transitions" by Marlene Kropf. I invite you to order your own copy for the cost of \$10. I will need these **SOON!** No later than **5/24/16**. There are ways to become involved with MW through donations, subscribing to the quarterly magazine, "Timbrel", or even a monthly hello via email. If you are a woman and a Mennonite, you qualify to get involved! There is a brochure with more details on the bulletin board outside the Pastor's office. Please contact Nancy Graber by phone, text or email, for additional information. (620-877-0372)

Thank you!

SPIRITUAL RETREATS? MISSION OPPORTUNITIES?

Vacations? Weddings? Family get-togethers? If you have any news of interest to our church family that you'd be willing to have included in the June issue of *First Threshings*, please send it to me by Friday, May 27.

Thanks, Pat

MCC ANNOUNCEMENTS:

You are invited to a lunch on Wednesday, May 25, 12-1p.m. with MCC Ron Byler, Executive Director for MCC U.S. at MCC Central States office (121 E. 30th) in North Newton. Ron recently visited MCC's partners in Palestine/Israel, Bosnia, Ukraine, Lebanon, Jordan and Iraq, many of whom work directly with refugees and displaced people. Come hear him share stories from his trip and how MCC continues to respond in this region of the world. A free will donation will be accepted to help cover the cost of food. Please RSVP to Anna Yoder at annayoder@mcc.org or at 316-283-2720 by Tuesday, May 24th.

MCC needs **colored pencils** (packages of 12) to complete school kits for shipment and **receiving blankets** (30"-36" lightweight fleece or flannel) for infant care kits. If you shop online, you can simply purchase items and have them shipped to our Material Resource Center (121 E. 30th, North Newton, KS 67117). Items for all other MCC kits are welcome, but the pressing needs are for colored pencils and receiving blankets at this time. Thank you for your generosity!

2016 MEMBER DIRECTORY IS PRINTED! I've placed a copy of the 2016 Member Directory in all assigned church mailboxes. Please check before you go home if you've been waiting for an updated copy! I have extras if needed. I **ALSO** put a little surprise for all the younger kiddos in your mailboxes. If I missed one, please let me know. I don't want to leave anyone out! I have a few extra of these as well if some of the older kids are interested. Thanks, Becky

THERE IS AN URGENT NEED for volunteers to do tree felling, de-limbing, slash removal, and chipping between the dates of May 17 and June 3 at Rocky Mountain Mennonite Camp. For additional information or to register contact RMMC at 719-687-9506 or Paul Unruh at 316-772-6308 or phunruh@gmail.com. We are assisting Rocky Mountain Mennonite Camp in their ongoing effort to control or limit the damage being done by the Spruce Beetle. Volunteers are welcome to come for one day or all of the days. All skill levels are needed and will be useful!

AMONG OUR FRIENDS

The sympathy of the congregation is expressed to the Ron Heidebrecht family on the death of Ron's mother, Karen Heidebrecht, on Thursday, May 12 in Boise, Idaho. Ron and Marci left on Thursday for Nampa, Idaho to be with family. A celebration of her life was held yesterday. Ron and Marci are returning home today.

BETHEL COLLEGE:

Weds., June 1 – Gary Schoeniger, founder of the Entrepreneurial Leadership Initiative and co-author of *Who Owns the Ice House? Eight Life Lessons from an Unlikely Entrepreneur*, will speak on "Redefining Entrepreneurship," 8 a.m., *Krehbiel Auditorium in Luyken Fine Arts Center* at Bethel College. Event is free, but registration is requested: www.eventbrite.com/e/redefining-entrepreneurship-keynote-at-bethel-college-tickets-23813033424.

Sat., June 4 – The Sand Creek Trail Committee invites you to "Walk Sand Creek Trail Day," celebrating National Trails Day. Members of the committee will be at the Memorial Grove trailhead on the Bethel College campus from 6 a.m.-8 p.m. to answer any questions and offer water for people and dogs.

CALENDAR

May 29 Trinity's 50th Anniversary
June 2 8 p.m. Stewardship Committee Meeting
June 5 Joint Service/Picnic with Trinity at the ballpark complex shelter house; 10:30 a.m. service.
June 15 7 p.m. Worship Committee Meeting
June 16 7 p.m. Ministries Council Meeting
June 19 Father's Day!

July 31-August 4 VBS – United Methodist Church

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Monday: Brandon & Amanda Emery
Tuesday: Shirley Flaming
Wednesday: Hank & Erin Unruh
Saturday: Kent & Vell Funk

Driver: Lee Albrecht **Next Week:** Don Penner

TREASURER'S REPORT 5/15/2016

FMC Ministries\$1,015.39
Year to Date Budget Income.....\$58,466.58
Year-to-date Budget Expenses.....\$54,462.91
FMC Ministries Fund Balance.....\$4,003.67

Last Week Attendance: 96

ROMANS 5:1-5

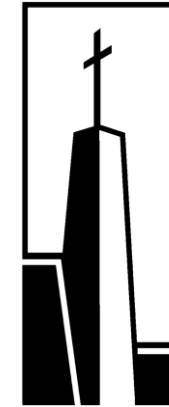
5 Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, ²through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. ³And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, ⁴and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, ⁵and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

CHURCH OFFICE

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The church building is open from 9 am to noon Mon. – Fri. except for holidays. For assistance outside of those times, please contact Tim Unruh at 620-947-1585. Please schedule all meetings & events at FMC through the church office.



FIRST MENNONITE CHURCH

In Christ -
Making Disciples through
Loving Relationships

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

May 22, 2016

GATHERING

Gathering Music Shirley Flaming
Welcome and Announcements Kelly & Julie Linnens
Prelude to Worship Shirley Flaming
Lighting the Alter Candles
*Call to Worship Kelly Linnens

O Lord, our Sovereign,
how majestic is your name in all the earth!

You have set your glory above the heavens.

Out of the mouths of babes and infants you have founded a bulwark because of your foes,

to silence the enemy and the avenger.

When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers,
the moon and the stars that you have established;

**what are human beings that you are mindful of them,
mortals that you care for them?**

Yet you have made them a little lower than God,
and crowned them with glory and honor.

**O Lord, our Sovereign,
how majestic is your name in all the earth!**

*Hymn Joys are flowing like a river No. 301
*Invocation Kelly Linnens
Hymn Jesus calls us here to meet him Grey Sgbk 47

SHARING

Children's Story Jason Klanderud
(children dismissed to Children's Time)
Sharing and Prayer Pastor Marv
Prayer Song Spirit of God! Descend No. 502
Offering Shirley Flaming