

## HEARING GOD'S CALL

Children's Story Michelle Armster  
(children dismissed to Children's Time)  
Reading from Jeremiah 1 Sarah, Caleb & Joshua Diener  
Scripture Elfrieda Funk  
Jeremiah 31:15-17  
Message Michelle Armster

## GOING OUT

\*Hymn You shall go out with joy No. 427  
\*Benediction & Blessing for our meal Pastor Susan

\*adapted from prayer by A. Kenseth *Gifts of Many Cultures*, pg 156

**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.*

**ALL ARE WELCOME** to the Harvest Mission meal following the service! Praise God from whom all blessings flow!

**TODAY IS MISSION SUNDAY.** We welcome Michelle Armster, Transitional Executive Director of MCC Central States, in our midst. She is speaking with us during our Sunday School hour and preaching in our time of worship, "Hope for Your Children" Jeremiah 31:15-17. Michelle is a former pastor, and a favorite speaker across the U.S.

**TWO WEEKS FROM TODAY**, November 22, is our Hanging of the Greens Soup Lunch Fundraiser. Our FMC youth use the proceeds to purchase Christmas gifts for a local family in need. Join us at lunch on November 22 following the Worship Service.

**COLLEGE CARE PACKAGES** will be set out at the soup lunch fundraiser on November 22. Please bring 8 small items to set, one in each box, for the college students we would like to support as they finish up their semesters. Cards will be available to sign as well. Thank you! Nurture Committee.

**OUR HILLSBORO MINISTERIAL** Alliance Assistance fund is handled by a different congregation each day – the schedule can be found in the church office and on the bulletin board outside the pastor's office. Recently, a change was made in the schedule. First Mennonite's day of the week is now Wednesday.

**FALL FOOD DRIVE** will continue November 8, 15, and 22. The bin is in the narthex. The Food Bank requests imperishable items and paper products, (including T.P.).

**THE FMC ADVENT CHOIR** will begin rehearsing on Wednesday, November 11 at 7 p.m. Please join our joyful ranks!

**THANK YOU TO ALL** that signed up to help with MCC meat canning on Monday, November 9 from 1:00-5:00 p.m.

**THE NEWTON CHORALE** will present its annual concert on Sunday, November 15 at 7 p.m. at the Bethel College Mennonite Church in North Newton. Under the direction of Renae Schmidt Peters, the program is entitled, "Psalm Settings: Gratitude for abundant life & yearning for the Divine Mystery." Admission is free. An offering will be taken to help support the concert expenses. Join us for an evening of inspirational music.

**THE MARION COUNTY ALTERNATIVE** Gift Market will take place on November 14, 2015 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Marion Community Center at Third and Santa Fe in Marion. This is a wonderful opportunity to learn about projects around the world that relieve poverty and suffering. An Alternative Gift is a humanitarian gift given in honor of a friend or loved one. Unlike traditional gifts, an Alternative Gift purchased at the Marion County Alternative Gift Market does not contribute to the consumer stream and they will not be re-gifted. These local missions groups will also benefit: Marion County Food Bank, FACT, Circles and Main Street Ministries. For more information contact Margaret Pickering at margpick@sbcglobal.net or 620-382-5473.

## AMONG OUR FRIENDS

Emmett Pawloski was hospitalized briefly this past week for respiratory treatment. Larry Pawloski continues to heal from his surgery. Let's keep the Pawloski's in our prayers.

Eric Buller, pastor at Inman Mennonite Church, is helping care for his wife, Ruth, as she weakens from cancer. Prayers for Eric, Ruth, and their school-aged sons, Peter and Josiah, and the Inman Mennonite Congregation as they go through this time.

**BETHEL COLLEGE: Today** (Sun., Nov. 8) – KIPCOR Film Series continues with *Chasing Ice*, 3 p.m., *Krehbiel Auditorium in Luyken Fine Arts Center at Bethel College*. This National Geographic documentary shows the efforts of nature photographer James Balog and his Extreme Ice Survey to publicize the effects of climate change. Talk-back session with David Braaten, deputy director of the Center for Remote Sensing of Ice Sheets at the University of Kansas, to follow.

**Sun., Nov. 15** – Readers theater presentation, *I Have Not Forsaken the Word of God*, 3 p.m., *Kauffman Museum*. Carrie and Gerald Mast of Bluffton University wrote the piece on commission from the Mirror of the Martyrs Trust, based on the confession of Jacques d'Auchy and celebrating the recent purchase of the Jan Luyken etching plate that depicted d'Auchy's confession in the *Martyrs Mirror*.

**Mon., Nov. 16** – Mid-Kansas Jazz Ensemble and Bethel College Jazz Ensemble I concert, 7 p.m., *Krehbiel Auditorium in Luyken Fine Arts Center at Bethel College*. MKJE is an auditioned honors group based at Bethel.

**Fri., Nov. 20** – Issei Tsuji senior trombone recital, 7:30 p.m., *Administration Building chapel at Bethel College*.

**Sat., Nov. 21** – The Worship and the Arts Symposium at Bethel College concludes with a **hymn festival worship service open to all; 7:30 p.m., Memorial Hall. Non-perishable food items and monetary gifts accepted for Harvest of Love.** (To register for the day-long symposium, visit [bethelks.edu/worshiparts](http://bethelks.edu/worshiparts), or call Denise Krase at 316-284-5239.)

**TABOR COLLEGE:** November 22, is the annual Thanksgiving Concert featuring music from Tabor College at 4 p.m., Hillsboro Mennonite Brethren Church. The offering taken is the backbone of the income for the Hillsboro Area Ministerial Association Assistance Fund. Come hear inspiring seasonal music and support the HAMA assistance fund.

**BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES**

**Monday:** Garfield Klaassen

**Thursday:** Kelly Linnens

**Friday:** Mark Abrahams

**Driver:** Susie Kliewer

**Next Week:** Doug Bartel

**CALENDAR**

- Nov. 1-22 Food Bank Drive (place imperishable food in bin in narthex)
- Nov. 8 Mission Sunday with guest, Michelle Armster  
Carry-In Meal to follow Worship Service
- Nov. 10 7 p.m. Discernment Council Meeting
- Nov. 11 7 p.m. Advent Choir begins rehearsals
- Nov. 12 7 p.m. Ministries Council meeting
- Nov. 15 12 noon Nurture Committee Meeting
- Nov. 18 Last night of Wednesday evening meals and classes for the year
- Nov. 19 7 p.m. Worship Committee meeting
- Nov. 22 Hanging of the Greens noon soup lunch  
4 p.m. Thanksgiving concert at Hillsboro Mennonite Brethren Church
- Nov. 26 Happy Thanksgiving! Office closed
- Nov. 27 Office closed for Thanksgiving break

**TREASURER'S REPORT 11/01/2015**

FMC Ministries .....	\$4,316.50
Hi-FY Remodel Project .....	\$433.00
Year-to-date Ministries Income .....	\$132,491.04
Year-to-date Ministries Expenses .....	\$127,867.84
Ministries Fund Balance .....	\$4,623.20

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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.

November 8, 2015

**GATHERING**

Gathering Music	Shirley Flaming
Welcome & Announcements	Elfrieda & Susie
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.

**COMING BEFORE GOD**

\*Opening Prayer and Call to Worship\* Susie Kliewer  
O Magnificent Mystery, come!  
Be hammer, and break our indifference.  
Be sun, and splinter our shadows.  
Be wind, and scatter our despair.

**Even in the dry country of our souls,  
let your grace rain.**

We want to take root in you, and grow.  
Make of us trees, strong in all seasons,  
bearing good fruit,  
giving shade to all weariness  
and shelter to those who are lost.

**ALL: We worship today in the glory of Jesus Christ  
who made the cross-tree  
green and flourishing forever!**

*Hymn	New earth, heavens new	No. 299
*Invocation		Susie Kliewer
Hymn	(sleeve in back of Hymnal)	
	O young and fearless prophet	
Sharing and Prayer		Pastor Susan
Prayer Song	God, who touches earth	No. 511
Offering & Blessing	Shirley Flaming & Pastor Susan	
	(we invite you to bring your offering forward)	

\*This week's special offering will go to the Mennonite Mission Network unless otherwise designated.