

LISTENING

Scripture Joshua 20:1-9 Joshua Diener/Doug Miller
Message Pastor Susan

RESPONDING

*Hymn My soul cries out Grey Sgbk 40
*Benediction Song Let the words Congregation

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.

SERMON TOPICS: This is the last of three Sundays our sermons will follow three commitments the Mennonite Church of Colombia made during their decades of violent city and countryside life.

Be a People of Peace – Colossians 3:12-17
Have a Message of Peace – Jeremiah 29:1-7

Be a Place of Peace – Joshua 20:1-9

BRETT KLINGENBERG: Today we encourage each person from our First Mennonite community to come to hear Brett Klingenberg, Pastor at First Mennonite, Beatrice, Nebraska, in our sanctuary at 4 p.m. His presentation, "Creek Crossings," shares his congregation's learnings as they work at welcoming people to their congregation. Brett's thoughts are an aid to us as we think about welcoming people to our congregation. Trinity Mennonite has been invited to join us.

WEDNESDAY EVENING ADULT SESSIONS:

In preparation for our November 13 Mission Sunday, Nancy and Douglas Graber are bringing two Wednesday evening sessions on Mennonite Central Committee's new kits for prisoners. Nancy and Douglas attended a day-long seminar on this new MCC involvement. Come and learn. 7:15 p.m. in the Chapel, October 26 and November 2.

SONGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY: Our October 30 worship will be a time for remembering loved ones who have moved away or have passed on from this earthly life. We will Skype with Andrew Sensenig and Erica Buller. We are inviting you to let Holly Swartzendruber know of songs that were special to those people. We hope to use some of these songs in our service next Sunday. Contact Holly ASAP at hollys@tabor.edu or 620-382-4222. Thanks!

THIS PAST TUESDAY, the Et Cetera Store had a volunteer appreciation dinner here in our FMC Fellowship Hall. The room looked just lovely, and the mums in the courtyard were brilliant. We are blessed to have this ministry here in our community and it was a joy to host them!

ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 24TH at 6 p.m., learn from spider expert, Dustin Wilgers, why spiders are not so creepy after all. Meet in the Prairie Pavilion at the Dyck Arboretum in Hesston for a presentation about the arachnids all around us followed by a night walk to find "glowing" spider eyes will be a fun way to expand your horizons about these fascinating creatures. (\$2/person)

THIS TUESDAY AT 7:30 P.M., three area Mennonites will lead a forum on Christian Faith and the Political Process. Join Lois Barrett, Pat Cameron and Jerry Truex online or in Wichita in person. A detailed report is on the pastor's bulletin board.

FIRST MENNONITE WOMEN are hosting a soup supper on Sunday, Oct. 30. The women of Trinity have been invited to be our guests. You are welcome to bring guests too. Our special guest will be renowned artist, Shin-hee Chin, who is a member of the Tabor faculty, and who has had exhibits at many places in the U.S. and abroad. Much of her work is done with fibers but she uses other mediums as well. A signup sheet is on the bulletin board where you can indicate your attendance and your willingness to bring food for the soup supper if you wish. Please sign up by **today!**

IT'S TIME TO THINK OF THANKSGIVING! *First*

Threshings would enjoy including any of your thankful thoughts - to God - to family - to friends - to "enemies". (It's wonderful how God draws us closer to him through people we disagree with.) Please send your submission by Friday, October 28. Thanks. Pat

URGENT NEED FOR BLOOD: In the aftermath of Hurricane Matthew, the need to boost donor turnout at upcoming blood drives is immediate.

Sign up now to roll up your sleeve and help meet the urgent need for blood – YOU can help!

Hillsboro Community Blood Drive, Oct. 24, 12 – 6 p.m. at Hillsboro Mennonite Brethren Church.

VELDA HIEBERT will be doing holiday baking the month of November. This includes zwiebach, new year's cookies (apricot, prune, raisin) and bierocks. Please get in touch with Velda if you would like to purchase something.

MISSION SUNDAY is November 13! Our speaker will be Ben Kreider, Director of **Prison Ministries** with Offender/Victim Ministries of Newton, Kansas.

Along with health, school, and infant kits, MCC now has **Prisoner Kits!** Please pick up a list of items from the narthex and bring those items to church any time between now and Mission Sunday. And, as always, plan for a **theme cake** for the meal!! (For example, themes of release and widening the circles.)

MISSION MOMENT: Did you know...one in three African American men and one in seventeen white men have a chance of going to prison during their lives?

NOREL FARMS BAKERY here in Hillsboro is looking for a part-time employee. Details on the pastor's bulletin board.

REMEMBER TO CLIP BOX TOP COUPONS from your cereal and cracker boxes. There is a paper bag on the white board where you can drop them in! June Schmidt and our elementary school thank you!

TRINITY'S SUMMER FOOD 4 KIDS worked well again this past summer. Thank you to Tammy and Victoria Wintermote who volunteered each day. Thank you to those who donated funds. The report posted on the pastor's bulletin board describes contributions from churches and individuals.

WEDNESDAY ADULT CLASSES:

Oct 26 – MCC Prison Focus 1

Nov 2 – MCC Prison Focus 2

AMONG OUR FRIENDS

David Fast, step-father to Glenn Wiebe, passed away October 13 here in Hillsboro. Let's remember Glenn and Maura in prayer during this time of change and loss.

We lift in prayer:
Susie Kliewer

CALENDAR

- Oct 23 2:30 p.m. – Ministries Council Retreat - Chapel
4 p.m. – “Creek Crossings” Brett Klingenberg
In Sanctuary
- Oct 30 4 p.m. – Women’s Fall Soup Supper with
guest artist Shin-hee Chin
- Nov 9 Celebrating Kids for Kindness!
- Nov 13 Missions Sunday
- Nov 16 Last Wednesday evening meal
Advent Ensemble begins

CARRY-IN MEAL SCHEDULE:

- November 13 – Mission Sunday
- January 8
- January 29 – Annual Meeting

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

- Tuesday:** Lester Funk
- Wednesday:** Caleb & Meredith Sarver
- Thursday:** Clariece Schroeder
- Saturday:** Laurel Koerner

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

TREASURER’S REPORT 10/16/2016

FMC Ministries	\$964.10
Year to Date Budget Income.....	\$121,675.19
Year-to-date Budget Expenses.....	\$118,370.07
FMC Ministries Fund Balance	\$3,305.12

Last Week Attendance: 58

Joshua 20:1-9 (NRSV)

20 Then the LORD spoke to Joshua, saying, ²“Say to the Israelites, ‘Appoint the cities of refuge, of which I spoke to you through Moses, ³so that anyone who kills a person without intent or by mistake may flee there; they shall be for you a refuge from the avenger of blood. ⁴The slayer shall flee to one of these cities and shall stand at the entrance of the gate of the city, and explain the case to the elders of that city; then the fugitive shall be taken into the city, and given a place, and shall remain with them. ⁵And if the avenger of blood is in pursuit, they shall not give up the slayer, because the neighbor was killed by mistake, there having been no enmity between them before. ⁶The slayer shall remain in that city until there is a trial before the congregation, until the death of the one who is high priest at the time: then the slayer may return home, to the town in which the deed was done.”

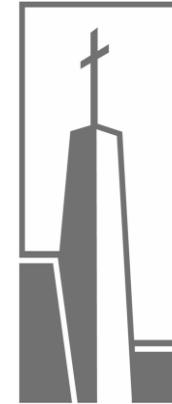
⁷So they set apart Kedesh in Galilee in the hill country of Naphtali, and Shechem in the hill country of Ephraim, and Kiriath-arba (that is, Hebron) in the hill country of Judah. ⁸And beyond the Jordan east of Jericho, they appointed Bezer in the wilderness on the tableland, from the tribe of Reuben, and Ramoth in Gilead, from the tribe of Gad, and Golan in Bashan, from the tribe of Manasseh. ⁹These were the cities designated for all the Israelites, and for the aliens residing among them, that anyone who killed a person without intent could flee there, so as not to die by the hand of the avenger of blood, until there was a trial before the congregation.

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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.

October 23, 2016

GATHERING

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| Gathering Music | Shirley Flaming |
| Welcome & Announcements | Kelly & 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 Kelly Linnens

The world is alive with your goodness, O God.

The wheat grows green from the ground.

Grains ripen in the field.

We, ourselves, are enlivened.

You are generous!

We seek your goodness more and more.

ALL: Come to us as we gather, O Good One.

We are ready to hear your call again.

We are ready for our feet to be guided

into the goodness of your peace.

*Hymn Jesus calls us here to meet him Grey Sgbk 47

*Invocation Kelly Linnens

Hymn Heart with loving heart united No. 420

SHARING

Children’s Story Mark & Amanda Abrahams
(children dismissed to Children’s Time)

Sharing and Prayer Pastor Susan

Prayer Song Kum Ba Yah (come by here)

1. Kum ba yah, my Lord...
2. Someone’s crying, Lord...
3. Someone’s praying, Lord...
4. Someone’s singing, Lord...

Offering

Shirley Flaming