

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Today: Kelly & Julie Linnens

Monday: Ethan & Laurel Koerner

Wednesday: Jim Baker

Saturday: Ryan & Tracy Hefley

CALENDAR

July 22	Church Meeting following worship - FH
July 27-28	WDC at Tabor, Eden, and Alexanderwohl locations
July 29-Aug. 1	Vacation Bible School – FMC
Aug. 3&4	Peppernut Baking
Aug. 10&11	Peppernut Baking
Aug. 12	Church Meeting following worship – FH

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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.

Worship 10:00 a.m.

July 8, 2018

GATHERING

Gathering Music		Jenny Epp
Welcome and Announcements		Deryll Amstutz & Pastor Lee
Prelude to Worship		Jenny Epp
Song of Aspiration	Step by step	Grey Sgbk 37
*Call to Worship		Deryll Amstutz

Jesus taught us to speak of hope as the coming of God's kingdom.

***ALL: We believe that God is at work in our world
turning hopeless and evil situations into good.***

***We believe that goodness and justice and love
will triumph in the end
and that tyranny and oppression cannot last forever.***

***One day all tears will be wiped away;
the lamb will lie down with the lion,
and justice will roll down like a mighty stream.***

True peace and true reconciliation are not only desired,
they are assured and guaranteed in Christ.

ALL: This is our faith.

This is our hope.

*Invocation		Pastor Lee
*Hymn of Affirmation	My hope is built on nothing less	No. 343

SHARING

Children's Story		Hank Unruh
Sharing and Prayer		Pastor Lee
Prayer Song	Gentle Shepherd, come and lead us	No. 352
Offering		Jenny Epp

*Special offering today goes to Western District Conference unless otherwise designated.

LISTENING

Scripture	Psalm 103:1-5, Romans 4:18-5:15	Deryll Amstutz
Message	"Finding Hope in a Faithful God"	Pastor Lee

RESPONDING

*Sending Song

In the bulb there is a flower

No. 614

*Benediction

Pastor Lee

WELCOME TO ALL *who are worshipping with us this morning!*

REQUESTED PREACHING TOPICS? If any of you have a requested preaching topic for Pastor Lee, please write it on a note and place in the offering plate or pastor's mailbox as soon as possible. They will be considered and included in worship as time allows. Signatures are optional but not required. Thank you.

GET READY FOR PEACE LAB VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL, where children will discover God's way of peace! Fun activities will help Bible stories come to life and lead children on an awesome adventure, equipping them to follow Jesus as compassionate peacemakers. Children ages 3 through grade 5 are welcome to this time of games, crafts, friends, and fun! Peace Lab will take place at First Mennonite Church from 5:30-8:15 p.m. on **July 29-August 1**.

If you are interested in helping make this the best VBS for the kiddos please email Amanda Abrahams (amanda.abrahams23@gmail.com) or signup on the white board. Thank you!

VBS MEALS: One ministry we are able to provide at VBS is feeding hungry kiddos. Please see the white board to sign up for ways to help. You can help prepare, serve, clean up food, or provide food. Of course, monetary donations are always helpful. Email Asia at asiafrye@hotmail.com with any questions. Please have all food donations delivered to the FMC kitchen by Sunday, July 29, at 3 p.m.

AUG. 12--"THANK YOU" CONCERT will be provided as a "volunteer appreciation" for all Summer Food 4 Kids volunteers, servers, table sitters, cookie bakers, cooks, financial donors, prayer supporters, etc. At **7:00 p.m.** *Hearts for Him* will provide a concert at Trinity Mennonite Church (211 Elm) which will be followed by an ice cream social. Come help us celebrate our fourth year of feeding kids. We couldn't do it without you!

SOME OF THE CHILDREN WHO HAVE BEEN SEPARATED from family at the Mexico/America border are being housed at The Villages in Topeka. If you would like to help, here are a couple of ways to donate:

If you'd like to donate cash, you can click on the DONATE button on The Villages webpage (that will take you through PayPal) or you can send a check to The Villages, PO Box 67053, Topeka, KS 66667.

You may also donate through St. Francis Community Services International Ministries at 509 E. Elm St., Salina, KS 67401. **Jeff Wintermote** can help get items to the St. Francis office in Salina.

WISH LIST:

Coloring books	Colored pencils
School folders	Big Chief tablets
Spiral notebooks	ABC flash cards
Sports equipment	Croquet sets
Water balloons	Playdough

Volleyballs, Soccer balls, Basketballs, Plastic big balls, Whiffle ball sets
Disc golf, Frisbees, Bubbles, Sidewalk chalk, Jump ropes
Full-sized regulation soccer goals
Adjustable basketball goal
Colored rubber bands to make bracelets and jewelry
Kids underwear, size boys and girls 6T to adult small
Socks, low cut, sizes 6-10
Books in Spanish, beginning English books such as Dr. Seuss books
Rated G movies
Gently used or new stuffed animals
New or gently used percussion instruments, guitars, ukulele, hand drums
Gently used or new tennis shoes size 6-11

AMONG OUR FRIENDS

We lift these friends in prayer: Linda Bartel

MCC:

Join MCC on a Learning Tour to Explore the Root Causes of Migration in Guatemala and Honduras, November 7-17. Guatemala and Honduras are countries from which the United States, and increasingly Mexico, are receiving the majority of its immigrants. Honduras and Guatemala are both within the top 10 most violent countries in the world, plagued by gang presence, political corruption, and lack of economic opportunity that permit the realities to exist that drive people from their homeland. MCC seeks to educate and expose Learning Tour participants to the realities that many people face that result in migration, internally and to foreign countries. This Learning Tour will provide firsthand stories, opportunities to meet the people as well as the organizations that are walking with them, participate in the rich culture, and witness the efforts of Guatemalans and Hondurans who are striving for positive change in their communities. Throughout the course of the tour, we hope to explore various perspectives on the topic, learn about how our decisions impact migrants, plant the seeds for ongoing connections, and learn about practical ways to support and advocate for the people and communities that we encounter. Approximate cost will be \$700 (plus airfare). For more information or to sign up for this trip please contact chrislandes@mcc.org.

Psalm 103:1-5

- 1 Praise the LORD, my soul;
 all my inmost being, praise his holy name.
- 2 Praise the LORD, my soul,
 and forget not all his benefits—
- 3 who forgives all your sins
 and heals all your diseases,
- 4 who redeems your life from the pit
 and crowns you with love and compassion,
- 5 who satisfies your desires with good things
 so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.

Romans 4:18 - 5:15

18 Against all hope, Abraham in hope believed and so became the father of many nations, just as it had been said to him, "So shall your offspring be." 19 Without weakening in his faith, he faced the fact that his body was as good as dead—since he was about a hundred years old—and that Sarah's womb was also dead. 20 Yet he did not waver through unbelief regarding the promise of God, but was strengthened in his faith and gave glory to God, 21 being fully persuaded that God had power to do what he had promised. 22 This is why "it was credited to him as righteousness." 23 The words "it was credited to him" were written not for him alone, 24 but also for us, to whom God will credit righteousness—for us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead. 25 He was delivered over to death for our sins and was raised to life for our justification.

5 Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, 2 through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand. And we boast in the hope of the glory of God. 3 Not only so, but we also glory in our

sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; 4 perseverance, character; and character, hope. 5 And hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us.

6 You see, at just the right time, when we were still powerless, Christ died for the ungodly. 7 Very rarely will anyone die for a righteous person, though for a good person someone might possibly dare to die. 8 But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

9 Since we have now been justified by his blood, how much more shall we be saved from God's wrath through him! 10 For if, while we were God's enemies, we were reconciled to him through the death of his Son, how much more, having been reconciled, shall we be saved through his life! 11 Not only is this so, but we also boast in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

12 Therefore, just as sin entered the world through one man, and death through sin, and in this way death came to all people, because all sinned—

13 To be sure, sin was in the world before the law was given, but sin is not charged against anyone's account where there is no law. 14 Nevertheless, death reigned from the time of Adam to the time of Moses, even over those who did not sin by breaking a command, as did Adam, who is a pattern of the one to come.

15 But the gift is not like the trespass. For if the many died by the trespass of the one man, how much more did God's grace and the gift that came by the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, overflow to the many!