

1 Corinthians 1:1-9 (NRSV)

Salutation

1 Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes,

²To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, together with all those who in every place call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours:

³Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

⁴I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, ⁵for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind—⁶just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you—⁷so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁸He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁹God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

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FIRST MENNONITE CHURCH

In Christ -
Making Disciples through
Loving Relationships.

Worship 10:30 a.m.

Sunday, January 16, 2022
“The Church of God, the Church of Christ,” Part 1

GATHERING

Gathering Music		Shirley Baltzer
Welcome, Announcements, Greeting		Darrel Knoll
Prelude to Worship		Shirley Baltzer
*Call to Worship	VT 866	Darrel Knoll
*Prayer		
*Hymn	Open My Eyes That I May See	VT 738
Psalm 1 (adapted from <i>The Message</i> , by Eugene Peterson)		

*How well God must like you—
you don't hang out at Sin Saloon,
you don't slink along Dead-End Road,
you don't go to Smart-Mouth College.
**Instead we thrill to God's Word,
we chew on Scripture day and night.
We're a tree replanted in Eden,
bearing fresh fruit every month,
Never dropping a leaf,
always in blossom.**
*You're not at all like the wicked,
who are mere wind-blown dust—
Without defense in court,
unfit company for innocent people.
GOD charts the road we take.
*The road they take is Skid Row.***

Hymn	Open the Eyes of My Heart	VT 401
Time for God's Children		Lenna Knoll

SHARING

Sharing and Prayer
Hymn

Our God in Heaven

Pastor Tom
VT 673

LISTENING

Scripture
Message

To the Church of God That Is in . . .

1 Corinthians 1:1-9
Pastor Tom

RESPONDING

Hymn
Benediction
Postlude

The Church's One Foundation

VT 397
Pastor Tom
Shirley Baltzer

This morning's sermon is the first in a sermon series on Paul's first letter to the Corinthians, "The Church of God, the Church of Christ."

A WARM WELCOME TO ALL *who are gathered to worship, wherever you are, and whenever you are able to watch this service!*

FMC Annual Meeting: Our Annual Meeting will be held next **Sunday, January 23**, following a carry-in meal. There are several purposes of the annual meeting. First, to briefly reflect on the year past with gratitude for God's goodness to us and to those among us who have served; second, to vote to affirm leaders who have been identified to head up ministries of the congregation for the next year; third, to vote to affirm the proposed budget, and finally, to have a discussion of possible important issues. Please make this event a priority as an important time in our church life together.
Doug Miller, moderator

Bethel College hosts two activities for the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday that are free and open to the public, both in Memorial Hall: Jan. 17, 7 p.m., program with Jasmyn Elise Story as the featured speaker; **Jan. 18, 2 p.m.**, screening of the Kellogg Foundation's 2022 National Day of Racial Healing event. Sponsors are Bethel College Student Life, the Bethel College Truth, Racial Healing and Transformation (TRHT) Campus Center and the Kansas Institute for Peace and Conflict Resolution (KIPCOR).

The church office will be closed Monday, January 17 in honor of Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

To the congregants of First Mennonite Church,

We have greatly appreciated and enjoyed our time serving this church through our positions as custodian and secretary. Due to increasing responsibilities and forward movements in our other places of work, we feel that it is necessary for us to step away from our duties at FMC.

This church has been so welcoming and generous as we've been blessed to serve you. We wish to relay only the sincerest appreciation for the opportunity to walk alongside you and the sadness that we feel toward leaving. Our final day of employment will be February 28.

First Mennonite Church is undergoing transitions in many areas of ministry, and our intention is not to add to the challenge, but rather allow other gifted persons to step into God-ordained roles here.

Thank you for your kindness and understanding. Our prayer is that this body of believers would move ahead, eyes fixed on Jesus, in wisdom and peace into a beautiful new chapter.

Blessings,

Avery and Kara Unruh

Our heartfelt thanks go out to Avery and Kara for doing such a good job with these much-needed services here at FMC. We have already begun the process of finding replacements for these two positions. We are open to any suggestions that you think would be a good fit for us.

Marlin Bartel, Stewardship MTL

Hesston College invites you to enjoy a production of *Freedom*

Riders by the Mad River Theater Works Friday, Jan. 28 at 7:30 p.m. at Hesston Mennonite Church. The performance is offered as part of the 2021-2022 Sunflower Performing Arts season.

“This original play with live music looks at the work of the Freedom Riders – people, both black and white, who rode together on buses that crossed state lines in order to protest the illegal segregation practices still in use in the early 1960s. The play emphasizes the importance of working together and the value of non-violent protest. At this time when our nation, our world, is engulfed in divisiveness and distrust, we need to examine these important ideas – collaboration, peace and trusting others – and this play will help us do so.”