

God's Story/Our Story

August 11, 2019

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Welcome/Scripture/Prayer..... June Thomsen, worship leader

Singing and bringing our tithes and offerings

*Now thank we all our God
On the wings of an eagle*

Please bring your offerings to the baskets at the front of the sanctuary
or at the cross aisle.

Children's story: *The Blessing Cup*

Characters: Narrator—Peter Wintermote; Momma—Carol Entz;
Anna—Amanda Entz; Doctor—Rannie Goering

Back to school blessing..... Nurture Commission

Pastoral prayerPastor Anita Kehr

Song of benediction: *Do it all*

Sending words

Planning Group: Carol Goering, Dennis Good, Dorcas Good, Judy Schrag,
Kay Schroeder; Anita Kehr, convener.

Musicians: Ben Regier, Ken Regier, Tim Regier
Audio Tech: Joey Menninga Video/Lighting Tech: Eugene Waltner
Property Committee: Kevin Hamm
Ushers: Bob Schmidt, Brian Walker, Heath Kerr, Donnie Kingsley

WELCOME

TO EVERYONE who has come to worship and especially to those who are here for the first time. May you experience the loving embrace of God today. Nursery Care, infants to age 2, is provided during the worship service in the nursery located in Room 225. Childcare is available for children ages 2-4 during the second half of the worship service in Room 223. If you need help finding your way, ask an usher at the door. We would be glad to help you!

First Mennonite Church by the numbers

Attendance:

•Worship—206; Sunday School—130; Visitors—22

Offering: Last week's offering for Mennonite Mission Network was \$2,599 and Local Mission was \$2,300. The offering for August 18 is for Local Mission.

Receiving or has received care—Randy Doty, NMC.

The rosebud is in honor of Blakely Jo Hamm, born to Logan Hamm and Aarika Bright.

Video person needed for Sunday morning worship services. If you are interested in being on the Video Team, please contact Eric Murphy. There is a rotating schedule and it takes about two hours of prep work when it's your Sunday.

Junior High leaders are looking for someone to drive to IKEA in Kansas City to pick up a new couch sometime in the next month or so. Truck needed! Please contact Amanda Entz (amandaentz@gmail.com) or Bryan Kehr (bryank@hesston.edu).

Your help is needed! Painting the house for Linda Shelly's neighbor, Maria, continues this Saturday, August 17 and 24. We'll begin at 8:00 AM and finish at noon. Please bring a paint brush and a paint scraper if you have one. A stepladder or small extension ladder would be helpful as well. Thank you for considering this opportunity to love our church neighbor!

Grocery Shower—Join us in celebrating the marriages of Abby and Evan Koch and Sophia and Shaedon Wedel that took place this summer. The Fellowship Commission will host a grocery shower on **Sunday, August 18** between Sunday School and the worship service (**10:00-10:30 AM**) in the **Fellowship Hall**. The congregation is invited to come greet the couples, enjoy some punch and cookies, and offer a grocery gift. If you are unable to attend but would like to offer a gift, you may bring your gift to the church office. ~The Fellowship Commission

The FMC Jail Ministry account is in need of replenishing. There has been a higher than usual demand for new Bibles in the jails. If you are able and willing, please consider giving to this very important fund! Checks can be made out to FMC with "Jail Ministry" written in the memo line. Thank you!

SR. HIGH YOUTH



Wednesday, August 21—6:30 pm

» Youth Group Kick-off!

Friday, August 30 (late) — Sunday, September 1 (afternoon)

» Youth FALL RETREAT @ Westminster Woods

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DATE

Community Announcements

Sing for Camp Mennoscah! We're having our annual Camp Sing celebration of a stunning summer of youth camps **today**, at Hoffnungsau Mennonite Church in Inman, KS. We'll start with a story time, 5:45-6:05 PM, followed by joyous singing at 6:30 PM. After joyfully worshipping in camp songs and hymns, we will share in popcorn, pop and conversation. All are invited, whatever your age or skill!

RSVP now for MCC Lunch & Learn on August 15—Come to MCC for lunch and to hear from participants who recently went on the MCC South Texas Borderlands Learning Tour. They will share about their experiences and reflections on the trip. Lunch is served at noon and the presentation will start shortly after. A suggested donation of \$10 is welcome to help cover the cost of lunch. Please plan to join us for lunch; all are welcome. **RSVP by Monday, August 12**, to patsydirksen@mcc.org or 283-2720, MCC Central States, 121 E. 30th St., North Newton.

Everence will hold a retirement planning workshop at its Hutchinson location. Specifics will include when to begin taking Social Security benefits, risks that can impact your savings, and strategies to help your income last throughout retirement. The workshop will be held on Thursday, August 15, 6:30 PM, at the Everence office, 524 E. 30th Ave. Those interested in attending can register by contacting Michelle Ramer at 283-3800; 877-467-7294 or michelle.ramer@everence.com.

You are all invited to an evening of sharing from **Africa Inter-Mennonite Mission** Executive Coordinator Rod Hollinger-Janzen on Sunday evening, August 25, 6:30-8:00 PM, here at First Mennonite in the Fellowship Hall.

Get away from BUSY and relax! Come join us at the 2019 Women & Girls Retreat September 6-8 at Camp Mennoscah. YOU choose what you want to do: Bible study, singing, art, yoga, mental health and spirituality, swimming, refugee reflections, games, or free time! Friday night we will decorate cookies! The schedule and registration forms are available at mennowdc.org/women-girls-retreat/ or on the magnetic boards in the Court Area. Tammy Duvenal Unruh, debate/forensics coach from Newton, will speak on the topic of being Fearless (II Timothy 1:7). This retreat is open to all women and girls grade 3 and older. Register by August 26.



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