

# FAITH MENNONITE CHURCH

January 17, 2010

## Prelude

## Welcome

### \*Call to Worship

L: We have come to worship you, O God;

**P: gather us in.**

L: Some of us come full of happiness;

**P: gather us in.**

L: Some of us come a little sore from what life brings

**P: gather us in.**

L: Some of us come indifferent or confused;

**P: gather us in.**

L: We honor you—who forms us and calls us each by name.

You are our God, known yet unknown,  
present here yet everywhere, now and forever.

You have made us distinctly unique yet part of your world people.

**All: Gather us in to your fierce love, your tender care,  
your abundant grace.**

L: We pray in the name of Jesus. Amen.

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\*Hymns: “Come, let us all unite to sing” #12 HWB

“Jubilate deo omnis terra” #103 HWB

**Old Testament reading:** Psalm 36:5-10

**Children’s gathering hymn:** “Come and see” #20 HWB

**Children’s time** ~ Pat Eliason

**Hymn:** “O healing river” #372 HWB

**Gospel reading:** John 2:1-11

**Sermon:** “Jesus’ Jewish Mother: Nudging God to Action”

**Hymn:** “God, whose purpose is to kindle” #135 HWB

## Congregational Prayer

**Response:** “O Lord, hear my prayer” #348 HWB

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread. *(continued on next page)*

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours

now and forever. AMEN

## Offering and Offertory

*The Missions & Service Commission invites us to make a designated offering (in addition to regular giving) for the memorial fund for the immediate families of the three individuals killed at the Seward Market on Franklin Avenue on Jan. 6, 2010. Please make checks payable to Faith Mennonite Church and write Seward Memorial in the memo line. We will make a contribution from Faith Church.*

**Announcements** *(please give in writing to the pastor or worship leader)*

## Introduction of Guests

\***Sending Hymn:** “In thee is gladness” #114 HWB

\***Benediction**

\***Passing the Peace / Postlude**

## Community Time

- **Fellowship time –10:45-11:10 a.m.** Basement fellowship hall

- **Children’s singing – 11 a.m.** Education wing chapel

- **Christian education – 11:15-noon** The adults will meet in the basement fellowship hall for a session on “**Making Our Wishes Known: Part 2.**” Everyone is welcome!

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**TODAY:** The wedding of Cana (John 2:1-11)

**Worship Leader:** Scott Neal

**Sermon:** Joetta Schlabach

**Song leader:** Gregg Richardson

**Piano:** Adam Nafziger

**Nursery volunteers:** Thaine Dirks & Cleta Roth Gingerich

**Fellowship:** Lauren & Bob Brown

**NEXT SUNDAY:** World Fellowship Sunday

**Worship Leader:** Natalija Zacharova-Nausede **Sermon:** Matthew Thomas

**Song leader:** Phil Stoltzfus

**Piano:** Karen Zeug

**Nursery volunteers:** Leslie Minkler & Pat Eliason

*Patricia Mack will share about her experience attending Mennonite World Conference in Paraguay during the adult education hour. An international-themed potluck lunch will follow.*

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*A staffed nursery for toddlers and children up to age 5 is located in the education wing. Please ask an usher if you wish to be guided to the nursery.*

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HWB: Hymnal Worship Book      STJ: Sing the Journey

\*Please stand if you are able

## Faith Mennonite Church

**Pastor: Joetta Schlabach**

**Deacons: Kami Blackwell Kinney, Cleta Roth Gingerich  
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### **FMC OFFICE HOURS: January 18-22**

**Pastor:** Wed 1:30-5 p.m.; Thurs 9-4; Fri 9-noon. Tuesday Joetta will attend the regional meeting of Mennonite pastors in Faribault. Joetta is open to receiving calls at home on Monday and Wednesday evenings from 7-8:30 p.m.

**Office Assistant:** Wednesday & Friday 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

*Email all bulletin items before Wednesday evening to:*  
[faithmc@faithmennonite.org](mailto:faithmc@faithmennonite.org)

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**Jan 10:** Attendance: 100                      Offering: \$2,014

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**Looking ahead to the FMC Annual Meeting:** The annual congregational meeting will be held **February 7. A half-day retreat for Council and all Commission members is planned for Saturday, Feb. 20** (this will replace the February church council meeting).

### **Church Meetings and Events**

January 19 – Lectionary Discussion Group (Luke 2:21-40)

Trotter's, corner of Cleveland & Marshall, SP

January 20 – Deacon's Commission, 9:30 a.m., Richardson's

February 7 – Annual Congregational Meeting

February 13 – Birthday Brunch, 9:30-11:30 a.m., Schlabach home

February 16 – Missions & Service Commission, 4 p.m., Chapel

February 20 – Council & Commissions Retreat, 9-noon, FMC

## Announcements

### Psalm 36:5-10

Your steadfast love, O Lord, extends to the heavens,  
your faithfulness to the clouds.  
Your righteousness is like the mighty mountains,  
your judgments are like the great deep;  
you save humans and animals alike, O Lord.

How precious is your steadfast love, O God!

All people may take refuge in the shadow of your wings.  
They feast on the abundance of your house,  
and you give them drink from the river of your delights.  
For with you is the fountain of life;  
in your light we see light.

O continue your steadfast love to those who know you,  
and your salvation to the upright of heart!

### John 2:1-11

On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, 'They have no wine.' And Jesus said to her, 'Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come.' His mother said to the servants, 'Do whatever he tells you.' Now standing there were six stone water-jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to them, 'Fill the jars with water.' And they filled them up to the brim. He said to them, 'Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward.' So they took it. When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom and said to him, 'Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now.' Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

L: For the Word of God in Scripture,  
For the Word of God within us,  
For the Word of God among us,

All: **Thanks be to God.**

**Mennonite Central Committee** is responding to the **devastating earthquake that struck Haiti** late Tuesday afternoon. MCC committed \$100,000 for immediate needs and anticipates a response of at least \$1 million over multiple years. MCC's response will include short-term relief plus recovery efforts over the medium and long term. **Donations** are welcome and can be made online at [mcc.org](http://mcc.org), or by sending a check, designated Haiti Earthquake, to MCC Central States, PO Box 235, North Newton, KS 67117 or call 316-283-2720.

**January Adult Education** (Planned by the Deacon's Commission)

**Today – Making our wishes known-part 2** As a follow up to the Mennonite Mutual Aid presentation in November, two people will share stories of the importance of sharing our end-of-life plans with others, and we will spend time filling out advance directives for healthcare (*Five Wishes*) and funeral planning forms.

**January 24 – World Fellowship Sunday.** Patricia Mack will share about her experience at Mennonite World Conference in Paraguay.

**January 31 – Navigating the Healing of Trauma with STAR (Strategies for Trauma Awareness and Resilience)** Donna Minter will give a presentation that she is preparing for the Augsburg College Nobel Peace Prize Forum in March.

**Aryn Baxter's latest newsletter from Rwanda** is posted on the bulletin board in the back of the sanctuary. In her writing, Aryn reminds us that "Wherever we are, whatever we are doing, we are called to counteract our tendency toward distraction with the discipline of remembering those who are suffering and prayerfully focusing on how God desires his people to respond."

**Saturday, January 30, 7-9 p.m. "No Human Being is Illegal: Mobilizing for Humane and Just Immigration Reform"** with noted Liberation Theologian, Dr. Miguel De La Torre, author of *Trails of Hope: Testimonies on Immigration* and Director of the Peace and Justice Institute at Illiff Seminary in Denver, Colorado. Explore the faith foundations of immigration reform. Mobilize in support of humane and just immigration reform. Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, 2730 E. 31<sup>st</sup> Street, Mpls.

**Peace in the Precincts — The Caucuses will be February 2, 7p.m.** Help build power for peace! Plan on attending a training before the caucus, see the list of dates and places posted on the foyer bulletin board. Attend your precinct caucus and bring a few peace resolutions, examples are on [www.fnvw.org](http://www.fnvw.org) (Friends for a Nonviolent World). Volunteer to be a delegate at the next level and continue your support for the Peace in the Precincts' Peace Standard. *Submitted by Rich Deming*