

FAITH MENNONITE CHURCH

April 1, 2012

Palm/Passion Sunday

Prelude

Proclamation: Mark 11:1-11

Processional Hymn: “Hosanna, loud Hosanna” #238 HWB

Children may remain at front of sanctuary.

Welcome and Call to Worship (based on Philippians 2:5-11)

Leader: Let this mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus:

People: who, in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited.

Leader: Let this mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus:

People: who emptied himself, taking the form of a slave.

Leader: Let this mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus:

People: who humbled himself and became obedient to death—even death on a cross.

Leader: Therefore God highly exalted him

People: and we kneel and confess that Jesus Christ is Lord!

Hymns: “Halle, halle, hallelujah!” #17 STJ

Children’s time: “A woman anoints Jesus”

Song: “My song is love unknown” #235 HWB (vv. 1, 2, 7)

The passion: Mark 14:1-15:47

Sung Interlude: “Stay with me” #242 HWB

Hymn: “Ah, holy Jesus” #254 HWB (vv. 1, 3, 4)

Prayer of Confession

All: Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.

Jesus, Bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.

Jesus, Redeemer of the world, grant us peace.

Assurance of Pardon

Congregational Prayer

Offering & Offertory Menuette, Allegro con Spiritoso –Anonymous

Announcements (please give in writing to worship leader)

Introduction of guests

***Sending hymn:** “O Sacred head, now wounded” #252 HWB (vv. 1 & 4)

***Benediction**

***Passing the Peace / Postlude**

HWB: Hymnal Worship Book

STJ: Sing the Journey

**Please stand if you are able*

Community Time

10:40 a.m. Fellowship time

11:00 a.m. Education classes for all ages. Adult options:

- Theological Explorations (in chapel) will discuss Ch. 4 of Murray book.

- Sabbath Economics (in basement fellowship hall) - Parenting class (in basement parent resource room) will discuss “over parenting.”

11:50 a.m. Easter choir rehearsal

TODAY:

Worship leader: Joetta Schlabach **Song Leader:** Hermann Weinlick

Organ: David Mayou **Flutes:** Marybeth Luing & Jennifer Wandersee

Ushers: Cori Skogerboe & Teresa Wasick **Readers:** Adam Nafziger,

Alisa Bardo-Martinson, Noah Skogerboe, Joan Kreider, Jacob Schlabach,

Noelle Hendricks, Gerald Schlabach

Nursery: Cleta Roth & Susan Weinlick

Fellowship: Hendricks family **Fellowship buddy:** Jacob Schlabach

NEXT SUNDAY: Easter (*Acts 10:34-43; Mark 16:1-8*)

Song Leader: Anna Gambucci

Organ: Jim Kuebelbeck

Ushers: William Chittenden & Paula Okerstrom

Nursery: Aine McCarthy & Andy Martinson

Fellowship buddy: Jenny Wandersee

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.

March 25:

Attendance: 95

Offering: \$3,855.12

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FMC office hours: April 2-6

Pastor: Mon 8:30-4:30; Wed & Thurs 9-5. Tuesday is a study day.

Ministry Staff: Mon 10-5; Wed 1:45-7; Thurs 1:45-7

Email bulletin items by Wednesday evening. Bulletin is printed on Thursday.

The FMC Maundy Thursday service, Thursday, April 5, 6 p.m., in the fellowship hall, will include a simple soup meal, readings, prayer, communion, foot washing, and music by Chris Jones. If you are planning to come and are able to **help out by either bringing food or working in the kitchen, please sign up on the sheet located in the fellowship area.** Questions? Contact Westbys.

Easter Breakfast, Sunday April 8, 8:30 a.m., fellowship hall. Please bring food to share according to last names:

A-G: Fruit

H-P: Egg dish/Potato dish

Q-Z: Breads/muffins/coffecake

Church Meetings and Events (online calendar at: www.faithmennonite.org)

April 2 – Soup Group, 6 p.m., home of Joan Kreider

April 3 – Weekly Sunday Text Discussion Group, 8:30 a.m., Trotters Café

April 5 – Maundy Thursday meal & service, 6 p.m., fellowship hall

April 8 – Easter Sunday breakfast, 8:30 a.m. (no Christian Ed. classes)

Easter Sunday worship service, 9:45 a.m. beginning time

April 11 – Church Council, 7 p.m., chapel

April 13-15 – Creating a Culture of Peace nonviolence training

April 18 – Deacon Commission, 9 a.m., Nafziger home

April 18 – FMC Crafters, 7 p.m., library

April 21 – April Birthday Brunch, 9:30 a.m., Schlabach home

April 24 – Christian Education Commission, 4 p.m., church office

April 25 – Missions & Service Commission, 5 p.m., chapel

Announcements

Today concludes our March 2012 FoodShare Drive for Community Emergency Service. Items that have been brought will be delivered to CES today. Envelopes are available on the table in the fellowship area if you still wish to mail a check.

Soup Group, Monday, April 2, 6 p.m., home of Joan Kreider. RSVP by April 1. If you are interested in hosting on one of the future dates, either by preparing the food and/or providing the location, please sign the sheet in the narthex or contact Aryn Baxter.

Interest survey--Quilt frame: There is an opportunity to acquire a quilt frame for FMC, at no cost. If you would enjoy the use of a quilt frame—also usable for making banners and wall hangings—with a quilters group, or on your own, and support exploring this offer, please respond to either Marybeth Luing at or Donna Stucky. We'll tally responses and make a decision on April 18 (the next Faith Crafters group gathering).

Space still available: Creating a Culture of Peace nonviolence training, April 13-15, 1 p.m. Friday through 6 p.m. Sunday (Sunday morning free). Registration is open to FMC members and community folks, newcomers to peacemaking as well as those wanting to deepen their skills in non-violent communication and strategic nonviolence. Cost \$100, scholarships available. Registration forms available on the back table and on the church homepage.

April 30-May 4, Strategies for Trauma Awareness and Resilience (STAR) workshop in Minneapolis. The STAR mission is to strengthen the capacity of caregivers, leaders, and organizations to address trauma, break cycles of violence, and build resilience at the individual, family, community, and societal levels. STAR teaches alternatives to revenge for personal and institutional transformation. Register online at www.starmpls.eventbrite.com or contact Donna Minter.

We received news that **Ralph Eglitis** passed away March 23. Ralph's former wife, Gudrun, and his daughters attended the New Hope Mennonite Brethren Church and have many friends at Faith.