

FAITH MENNONITE CHURCH
May 17, 2009 ~ 6th Sunday of Easter
Children's Day

Prelude
Welcome

Call to Worship ~ Psalm 50

L: Alleluia! Praise to you, Yahweh, in your sanctuary!
Praise to you in the firmament of your strength.

P: Praise you for your mighty deeds;
praise you for your sovereign majesty.

L: Praise to you, Yahweh, with the blast of the trumpet.

Women: Praise with lyre and harp.

Men: Praise with timbrel and dance:

All: praise with strings and flute.

L: Praise to you, Yahweh, with resounding cymbals; praise with
clanging cymbals.

All: Let everything that has breath praise Yahweh. Alleluia.

Hymn: "Halle, halle, hallelujah!" #17 STJ
"Jesus is a friend"

New Testament reading: 1 John 4:7-12 John Mayou; Anthony Beerswing

Children's gathering hymn: "Come and See" #20 HWB
Children's time: "Ways to praise God" ~ Harry Kingham
Children's songs: "This is the day"
"This little light of mine"
Directed by Kami Blackwell-Kinney and Chris Jones

Gospel reading: John 15:9-17 Noah Kreider Carlson; Noah Skogergoe
Response: Abide in my love

Message: "The Colors" ~ Harry Kingham
Hymn: "Magic Penny"

Parents' sharing: John Ratigan & Kristen Green; Ry & Marcia Siggelkow
Words of dedication and blessing for Siobhan Claire and Owen Edwin
William

Congregational commitment: #791 HWB
Hymn: "As a mother holds her baby" (insert)

Congregational Sharing/Teacher appreciation
Congregational Prayer

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.
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

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

Introduction of Guests

***Sung Benediction:** "You shall go out with joy" #427 HWB

***Passing the Peace / Postlude**

Community Time

- **Fellowship time - 10:45-11:10 a.m.** (in basement fellowship hall)

- **Children's music - 11 a.m.**, Room 201, education wing

- **Christian Education - 11:15 - noon**

Adult class: Leslie Frost from Families Moving Forward will speak about this important ministry to families who are homeless. We will take up a free-will offering for which we will request matching funds from the MMA Sharing Fund. *Make your checks payable to: Faith Mennonite Church and put "FMF" in the memo line. (Place in worship offering if you cannot stay for education hour.)*

-Potluck Picnic - noon We will have our picnic at Matthews Park, near the tennis courts, if weather permits. All are welcome!

TODAY: Children's Day and Parent/Child Dedication

Worship leader: Joetta Schlabach

Guest presenter: Harry Kingham

Song leader: Donna Stucky

Piano: Cathy Smetana

Nursery volunteers: Wolf Bartel **plus parent volunteer needed at 10:30**

Fellowship: Beth Richardson

NEXT SUNDAY: Finding joy through discernment (Acts 1:21-26; Psalm 1)

Worship leader: Leslie Minkler

Sermon: Joetta Schlabach

Song leader: Phil Stoltzfus

Piano: Sandra Westby

Nursery volunteers: Rhonda Martin & Minke Sundseth, **one volunteer needed plus one parent at 10:30.**

Fellowship: Rachel Hoskins & Glenn Geissinger

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.

Faith Mennonite Church

Pastor: Joetta Schlabach

Ministry Staff Person: Michael Bischoff

Deacons: Kami Blackwell Kinney, Clea Roth Gingerich

Neil Okerlund, Beth Richardson, Hermann Weinlick

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FMC OFFICE HOURS: May 18-22

Pastor: Mon 1-5; Wed & Thursday 10-4; Friday 8:30-noon. Tuesday is a study day. Joetta is open to receiving calls at home on Monday and Wed, 7-8:30 p.m.

Michael Bischoff: Thursday 9-noon

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

*Email all bulletin items before **Thursday evening to:***

faithmc@faithmennonite.org

May 10: Attendance: 78 Offering: \$891.00 and \$200.00 designated

Faith Church contributed 70 lbs. of groceries to Community

Emergency Service this month. Thank you Dick Westby for delivering them to CES.

Church Meetings and Events

May 19 Lectionary Discussion Group, Trotters, 8:30 a.m., St. Paul

May 27 – Deacon Commission, 9:30 -11:30 a.m., Richardson's

May 28 – June Newsletter deadline, noon

June 8 – Church Council, 7 p.m., FMC

June 14 – Discussion with Delegates of Agenda for Mennonite Assembly in Columbus, FMC 11:15 a.m.

June 17 – Missions & Service Commission, FMC, 7 p.m.

June 18-21 – Central Plains Mennonite Conference Annual Meeting, Freeman, SD

June 30- July 5 – Biannual Mennonite Assembly, Columbus Ohio

July 12 – Ordination of Joetta Schlabach, 11 a.m.

July 5 – Peace Worship in The Park

1 John 4:7-12

Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives in us, and his love is perfected in us.

John 15:9-17

As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

'This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.

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.

Announcements

Thank you to the teachers, facilitators, and coordinators for our Christian education program this year:

Adult coordinator: Pat Eliason (fall) and Kathleen Harder (spring)

Adult teachers/facilitators: Pat Eliason, Dick Westby, Pierre Gingerich-Boberg, Glenn Geissinger, Cynthia Miller, Heather Wengerd, Joan Kreider

Youth volunteer: Andy Martinson

Middle school teacher: Noah Skogerboe

Children's coordinator: Shelly Hendricks

K-3rd grade teachers: Hermann Weinlick, Minke Sundseth, Matthew Hendricks

Preschool teachers: Andi Kuenning and Joan Wing

Announcements Continued

Summer Nursery Schedule Needs Volunteers! Brooke Derrickson is putting together the summer schedule of nursery volunteers. Nursery staff person Meagan O'Brien is requesting a 3rd volunteer to arrive at 10:30. We hope that this third position can be filled by parents of nursery-age children and that the two regular volunteers can be other members of the congregation. If you've never volunteered but would like to serve in this way, please speak with Brooke or sign up on the nursery volunteer sheet.

June 6 — Katie Hochstedler is planning a dinner party fundraiser to raise money for the Pink Menno Campaign that will be taking place at the Mennonite Church Convention this summer in Columbus. Tasty Thai food for a great cause. Suggested donation: \$25 per person, you receive an official Pink Menno T-Shirt for donations over \$45. Space is limited so call 319-936-0495 or email Katie soon to reserve your seat.
katie.hochstedler@gmail.com

Alternatives to Violence Project's Conflict Resolution Training/Workshop (A program of Friends for a Nonviolent World), June 12-14, at Faith Mennonite Church. This 21-hour, hands-on workshop builds new skills which transform violence to cooperation and builds community via affirmation, respect for all, cooperation, and trust. The Alternatives to Violence Project is a national and international volunteer-run program that conducts workshops in conflict resolution and non-violence. See www.fnvw.org for more information, pick up a flyer from the back of sanctuary, or talk to Rich Deming.

Mennonite Mission Network Prayer request. Pray for rural, urban and ethnic Mennonite Church USA congregations that are engaged in building mutual relationships, learning from each other ways to be supportive in ministry outreach. Ask God to give them a clear vision of what it means to give and receive from one another.

Donna Minter is organizing a women's canoe trip with Wilderness Wind the 1st full week of August 2009. Calling all women from Faith & beyond. If you've ever wanted to experience canoeing the boundary waters, here's your chance. All levels of experience (none to lots) are welcome. Please contact Donna at 952-240-3499 as soon as possible if interested.

Pride Parade - June 28 - If you are interested in joining the FMC group marching in the Pride parade in June, contact Katie Hochstedler and mark your calendars. katie.hochstedler@gmail.com