

# FAITH MENNONITE CHURCH

May 27, 2012 ~ Pentecost

## Prelude

## Welcome

**Invocation:** “Veni sancte Spiritu” #298 HWB

## \*Call to Worship

Leader: God of Pentecost, this morning, trembling with awe,  
we draw near to the flame of your love, yearning to be touched  
and transformed by your presence like the disciples of long ago.

**People: Waiting in hope, we leave behind the clutter of our daily  
lives and turn our faces toward the sound like the rush  
of a violent wind, ready to embrace the signs of your Spirit  
moving among us during this worship hour.**

Leader: Open our ears and our hearts as we remember the amazing  
outpouring of your Spirit on Pentecost. May this be our experience  
too. Amen.

**\*Hymn:** “Holy Spirit, come with power” #26 HWB

**First Scripture reading:** Psalm 104: 24-35 (insert)

**Musical offering:** “Come fill this place” ~Women’s ensemble

**Children’s time:** “The Spirit and wild geese”

**Hymn:** “Come, Holy Spirit, descend” #33 STJ

**Second Scripture reading:** Acts 2:1-21 ~Klompeen/Zabriskie family

**Sermon:** “What does this mean?”

**Confession:** Romans 8:22-27

*Silence*

**Words of assurance**

**Hymn:** “Like the murmur of the dove’s song” #29 HWB

## Sharing our Joys and Concerns

### Congregational Prayer & Lord’s Prayer

Our Father/Mother 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 & Offertory

**Announcements** (please give in writing to worship leader)

## Introduction of guests

**\*Sung Benediction:** “Move in our midst” #418 HWB

**\*Passing the Peace / Postlude**

## Community Time

**10:40 a.m.** Fellowship time.

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**TODAY:** Pentecost

**Worship leader:** Chris Semanchin Jones

**Sermon:** Joetta Schlabach

**Song leader:** Hermann Weinlick

**Piano:** Gregg Richardson

**Women’s ensemble:** Kathy Klompeen, Joan Kreider, Heather Reinert,  
Joetta Schlabach, Donna Stucky, Sandra Westby

**Usher:** Darrell Martin

**Nursery:** Gerald Schlabach & Kristi Zabriskie

**Fellowship buddy:** Hermann Weinlick

**Fellowship:** Zabriskies

**NEXT SUNDAY:** Seek Peace & Pursue It: Walking Away from Conflict

**Worship leader:** Orv Gingerich

**Sermon:** Joetta Schlabach

**Song leader:** Phil Stoltzfus

**Piano:** Jim Kuebelbeck

**Fellowship buddy:** Jacob Schlabach

**Fellowship:** Gambuccis

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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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**May 20:**

**Attendance:** 72

**Offering:** \$912.50

Weekly amount need to meet budget: \$2,692

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**Faith Mennonite Church**  
**Pastor: Joetta Schlabach**  
**Ministry Staff: Phil Stoltzfus**  
**Deacons: Shelly Hendricks, Cleta Roth Gingerich,**  
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**FMC office hours: May 29-June 1 (closed May 28 for holiday)**

**Pastor:** Wed-Thurs 9-5. Tuesday is a study day.

**Ministry Staff:** Tues. 10-5; Wed 10-5; Thurs. 1:30-7

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

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**Prayer Request from Mennonite Education Agency:** Give thanks for students who graduated this weekend from Associated Mennonite Biblical Seminary, Elkhart, IN. Ask God to lead them in their ministry and bless them as leaders for God's reconciling mission in the world.

**Soup Group Update:** Last spring 2011 the Deacons initiated a (nearly) weekly Soup Group to provide regular opportunities for sharing food and fellowship. We are grateful to Aryn Baxter, who coordinated the schedule and to the many people who have hosted this meal in their homes or at the church. We have decided to take a break from the weekly schedule during this summer since the Longfellow-Powderhorn Deacon Group holds a weekly Friday evening potluck picnic in Powderhorn Park, to which everyone is invited. (Watch for upcoming announcements.) Anyone is free to plan and publicize additional gatherings in other parts of the city on a date/time of their choosing. *—The Deacons*

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

**May 29** – Sunday text discussion, 8:30 a.m., Trotter's Café, SP

**May 30** – June newsletter deadline, noon, to Gregg Richardson

**June 6** – BMC Variety Show and Dinner Fundraiser, 6 p.m. at the church

**June 7** – Deacon Commission, 7 p.m., Cleta Gingerich home

**June 13** – Church Council, 7 p.m., chapel

**June 16** – Coming Out of Empire Workshop, all day, fellowship hall

**Psalm 34:24-35**

Organ side: O LORD, how manifold are your works! In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.

**Piano side: Yonder is the sea, great and wide, creeping things innumerable are there, living things both small and great.**

Organ: There go the ships, and Leviathan that you formed to sport in it. These all look to you to give them their food in due season;

**Piano: when you give to them, they gather it up; when you open your hand, they are filled with good things.**

Organ: When you hide your face, they are dismayed; when you take away their breath, they die and return to their dust.

***ALL: When you send forth your spirit, they are created; and you renew the face of the ground.***

Organ: Glory forever to you, O God! May you find joy in your creation. At your glance the earth trembles, at your touch the mountains smoke!

**Piano: I will sing to the LORD as long as I live; I will sing praise to my God while I have being. May my meditation be pleasing to him, for I rejoice in the LORD.**

***All: Bless the LORD, O my soul. Praise the LORD!***

**Acts 2:1-21**

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine." But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say.

Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: 'In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day. Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'"

### **Announcements**

**Need Tomato or Pepper Plants?** I have more plants started this year than my garden has space for. I mostly have a variety of tomato and pepper plants but also a little cucumber, melon and greens. If you are interested, contact me to arrange a time to come get what you'd like. The plants are not priced but a donation to Brethren Mennonite Council for LGBT Interests in the approximate value (or more) is requested. —*Katie Hochstedler*

**Clothing Exchange:** Kristin Green's home, Saturday, June 9, 3:00 p.m. Bring friends!

**Directory updates:** Phil Fuller & Erin Geiser.

**ISAIAH Prophetic Witness Leadership Assembly, June 2, 9:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m.** The summer and fall are a crucial season for prophetic witness. We need to work together to defeat the proposed amendment that would require people to carry a photo ID to the polls. Lutheran Church of the Redeemer, 285 N. Dale St., SP. Register: [www.tinyurl.com/propheticwitness](http://www.tinyurl.com/propheticwitness).

**Saturday, June 16, 8:30 a.m.–9 p.m.,** fellowship hall: **“Coming Out of Empire,”** a Rootworks workshop, co-hosted by Missio Dei, with Wes Howard-Brook & Sue Ferguson Johnson. Wes will draw from his insights as a biblical scholar (recent book: *Come Out, My People!*). Sue will draw from her experience as a spiritual director. Join us as we grapple with the shape of Christian discipleship in our imperial context. \$35 suggested donation. Register at: [www.eventbrite.com/event/3606847177](http://www.eventbrite.com/event/3606847177) —*Mark Van Steenwyk*

Wednesday, **June 20 dinner** (6 p.m.) and **training session** (7-9 p.m.) at Bethany Lutheran Church (2511 E. Franklin Ave.) to empower us to defeat the MN anti-marriage amendment. Part of the *Minnesotans United for All Families* campaign. Please RSVP to Bethany: (612) 332-2397 or [mail@bethanyinseward.org](mailto:mail@bethanyinseward.org). See poster in foyer.