

## FAITH MENNONITE CHURCH

June 5, 2011 ~ 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Founding Worship Service

### Prelude

### Welcome

\***Call to Worship** – based on Psalm 100

*Response: God's steadfast love endures forever.*

\***Hymns:** “Come thou fount” #521 HWB

“Holy God, we praise thy name” #121 HWB

**Gospel reading:** Matthew 17:20-21; 13:31-32

### Prayer of thanksgiving

**Children's gathering song:** “Come and see” #20 HWB

**Children's time:** “Getting ready to fly” ~ Gregg Richardson, Joetta Schlabach

**Hymn:** “In the bulb there is a flower” #614 HWB

**Scripture readings:** Ephesians 2:14, 17-22; 4:7, 11-16; Romans 12:9-13

**Musical offering:** “We walk by faith” ~ Women's ensemble

**Sermon:** “Birthing Faith”

### Communion

*We will gather at tables in front and back in groups of 10-12 as the ushers guide. Please hold the bread and cup until all are served and then partake together. All who have made a public commitment to follow Christ and share in the life of Christ's body are invited to the table. Children may come to receive a grape and blessing.*

**History Moment:** “A Tribute to John & Hilda Warkentin” – Joan Kreider

**Hymn:** “Take Thou my hand, O Father” #581 HWB

### 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

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HWB: Hymnal Worship Book STJ: Sing the Journey

*\*Please stand if you are able*

\***Sending hymn:** “Blest are those who trust” (insert)

\***Benediction**

\***Passing the Peace / Postlude**

### Community Time

All are invited to remain for a potluck meal, in the basement fellowship hall, following the worship service.

**TODAY:** Remembering our beginnings

**Worship leader:** Erin Geiser **Sermon:** Joetta Schlabach

**Song Leader:** Karen Wiebe **Piano:** Melissa Falb **Flute:** Jenny Wandersee

**Reader:** Jim Neufeld, founding member

**Ushers:** Casey Englund/Shawn Helmeke & Barb Beers

**Nursery:** Anna Dadabo & Heather Wengerd

**NEXT SUNDAY:** Pentecost (Acts 2:1-21; John 20:19-23)

**Worship leader:** Gabe Schlabach **Sermon:** Donna Stucky

**Song Leader:** Pierre Gingerich-Boberg **Piano:** Adam Nafziger

**Ushers:** Nikki Nafziger & Cori Skogerboe

**Nursery:** Shelly Hendricks & Kristi Zabriskie

**Fellowship:** Aryn Baxter and Leslie Minkler

*Aryn and Leslie will host fellowship time as a way to invite contributions toward their travel expenses in participating as FMC delegates to the Central Plains Mennonite Conference annual meeting, June 16-19, in Moline, IL.*

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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 29: Attendance:** 72

**Offering:** not recorded  
(Weekly budgeted need: \$2984)

**Sanctuary Painting Project Update**

**Received to date:** \$29,000 **Amount remaining:** \$7,000

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**Faith Mennonite Church**  
**Pastor: Joetta Schlabach**  
**Ministry Staff Person: Kathleen Remund**  
**Deacons: Aryn Baxter, Shelly Hendricks**  
**Donna Minter, Neil Okerlund, Beth Richardson**

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**FMC OFFICE HOURS:** May 30-June 3

**Pastor:** Joetta will be out of town the next two weeks. She will be on vacation until June 16 and then participate in the Central Plains Conference annual meeting in Moline, IL, June 16-19. Please contact a deacon for pastoral care needs or in case of emergency during her absence.

**Ministry Staff Person:** Monday 1-3 p.m., Friday 9-Noon.

**Office Assistant, Julie Cross:** Tues, Weds & Thurs 9:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

*Email all bulletin items before **Wednesday evening** to:*  
*[faithmc@faithmennonite.org](mailto:faithmc@faithmennonite.org). Bulletin is finalized and printed on Thursday.*

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All are welcome to the **ordination service** and celebration of **Kathleen Remund**, outreach ministry staff person for FMC, **this afternoon at 2:30 p.m.** Kathleen will be ordained to her church relations position at United Theological Seminary. The service will be held at her local church, Minnehaha/Spirit of the Lakes UCCs, 4001 38th Avenue South, Minneapolis.

**2:30 - 3:00 p.m. today, Faith Action Vigil Interfaith Coalition** on Immigration (ICOM): Ramsey County Adult Detention Center, 425 Grove Street, St. Paul, MN.

### **Church Meetings and Events**

June 7 – No lectionary discussion group this week and next  
June 7 – Missions & Service Commission, 6:30 p.m., Church office  
June 8 – Church Council, 7 p.m. FMC  
June 12 – Membership small group, 11 a.m., chapel  
June 16-19 – Central Plains Conference Annual Meeting, Moline, IL  
June 19 – Deacons Commission meeting, 7 p.m., Richardsons  
June 25 – June Birthday Brunch, 9:30-11 a.m., Schlabachs  
June 26 – FMC/BMC participating in Twin Cities PRIDE Parade  
July 4-9 – Mennonite Church USA Assembly, Pittsburg, PA  
September 23-25 – FMC 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration Weekend  
October 29 – Twin Cities Festival & Sale for World Relief

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### **Matthew 17:20-21; 13:31-21**

[Jesus] said to them, ... For truly I tell you, if you have faith the size of a mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, "Move from here to there," and it will move; and nothing will be impossible for you.'

He put before them another parable: 'The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field; it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches.'

### **Ephesians 2:14, 17-22**

For [Christ] is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups [Jews and Gentiles] into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us. ... So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling-place for God.

### **Ephesians 4:7, 11-16**

But each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift. ... The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ. We must no longer be children, tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine, by people's trickery, by their craftiness in deceitful scheming. But speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, from whom the whole body, joined and knitted together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly, promotes the body's growth in building itself up in love.

**Romans 12:9-13** Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers.

## **Announcements**

**FMC Soup Group**, 1<sup>st</sup> Monday, 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday, 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday & 4<sup>th</sup> Friday of every month. This is an opportunity for our church community to share meals. All are welcome to bring friends and family. Soup and bread provided.

- Monday, June 6 – 6 p.m., Joan Kreider's home (**rsvp today!**)
- Tuesday, June 14 - 6 p.m., Matthew and Shelly Hendricks' home
- Thursday, June 23 - 6 p.m., Dan and Terry Gerber's home
- Friday, July 1 - 6 p.m., Powderhorn park picnic (weather permitting)

**Pink Menno BBQ Extravaganza and "FUNdraiser"** Please join Katie Hochstedler and Donna Minter for fun, food, fundraising, and music on **Friday, June 10, 6:30-10 pm** at the home of Donna and Bruce. Chef Katie will BBQ various meat and non-meat treats and there will be plenty of tasty food to go around. Come and go, bring friends and donate some money (suggested donation at the door is \$25; give more or less as you are able). Funds will support Katie and Donna's travel to attend the MCUSA Assembly in Pittsburgh in July and Pink Menno, a grassroots community committed to the inclusion and welcome of lgbt individuals and their supporters. Katie will participate with Pink Menno and Donna will be an FMC delegate. Questions and RSVPs can be directed to Katie.

**Preparing Congregations to Protect Children, Friday, June 24, 9-11 a.m.**, Children's Hospital, 2525 Chicago Avenue South, Conference Center, 2nd floor. Mennonite author Jeanette Harder, a faculty member at the University of Nebraska at Omaha School of Social Work, will lead a panel discussion about ways congregations can help prevent child abuse and neglect in their communities through partnering with community professionals. Free and open to the public; flyers available to share with friends and colleagues. **Jeanette will also lead a discussion at Faith Mennonite Church at 11 a.m. on Sunday, June 26.**

A sign-up sheet is on the mailbox table for the **June Birthday Brunch**. If you or a family member has a birthday in June, pastor Joetta invites you to her home for brunch on June 25, 9:30-11 a.m. (This invitation is for whole families and significant others, not just the birthday person.) Please RSVP on the sign-up sheet or email.

FMC and the Brethren/Mennonite Council for lgbt Interests have registered to walk in the June 26 Twin Cities PRIDE parade. Watch for details.