

**FAITH MENNONITE CHURCH**  
June 21, 2009 ~ "Letters to the early churches"

**Prelude**  
**Welcome**

\***Call to Worship** #711 HWB

\***Hymns:** "Holy Spirit come with power" #25 HWB  
"Great is thy Faithfulness" #327 HWB

**Psalm 100** #821 HWB

**Children's gathering hymn:** "Come and See" #20 HWB  
**Children's time:** "What does love look like?"

**Hymn:** "The word of God is solid ground" #314 (v. 1)  
**New Testament reading:** 1 Corinthians 13  
**Reflections on service** ~ Gregg Richardson and Donna Minter  
**Hymn:** "How clear is our vocation, Lord" #541 HWB

**Congregational Sharing**  
**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:** "Guide my feet" #546 HWB  
\***Passing the Peace / Postlude**

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HWB: Hymnal Worship Book    STJ: Sing the Journey  
\**Please stand if you are able*

Community Time  
**- Fellowship time - 10:45 a.m.**

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**TODAY:** The gift of love  
**Worship leader:** Erin Geiser  
**Sharing:** Gregg Richardson & Donna Minter  
**Song leader:** Donna Stucky                      **Piano:** Melissa Falb  
**Nursery volunteers:** Marcia Siggelkow & One Volunteer Needed

**NEXT SUNDAY:** Wisdom & Foolishness (1 Cor 1:18-31) /  
Church Membership  
**Worship leader:** Jenny Wandersee              **Sermon:** Joetta Schlabach  
**Song leader:** Karen Wiebe                      **Piano:** Gregg Richardson  
**Nursery volunteers:** Two Volunteers Needed  
**Fellowship:** Two Volunteers Needed

*Please remember Karen Zeug and Ry and Marcia Siggelkow as they prepare to make a commitment of membership next Sunday.*

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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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**June 14:**    Attendance:80                      Offering: \$1,629.50

**Thanksgivings:** Birth of Esther Wulf Skogerboe and Arlene H's grandson; Leslie G's recovery and return home (in Maine), Hermann's 50<sup>th</sup> college reunion; upcoming 60<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary for Dan G's parents; accomplishments of our graduates

**Concerns:** those who are traveling (Semanchin-Jones; Dan & Andi); family of Chris' college roommate whose wife lost two brothers in kayak-ing accident; Minke's neighbor who is losing her home; Hochstetlers as they travel and provide encouragement to MMN workers internationally.

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**Thanks to everyone who has contributed to the travel fund** to help our delegates (Leslie Minkler and Rhonda Martin) attend the Columbus 2009 Assembly, June 30-July 5. **Additional contributions are still appreciated and can be placed in the Sunday offering. Make checks payable to:** FMC, with memo: Assembly delegates.

**Calling all singers!** Neil Okerlund will direct a choir to prepare and sing one song for Joetta's ordination service on July 12. Details on rehearsal time to follow. Please contact Neil if you would like to sing:  
debneil@bitstream.net



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## Faith Mennonite Church

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### FMC OFFICE HOURS: June 22-26

**Pastor:** Monday 1:30-4:30; Wed & Thurs 10-4; Fri 9-noon. Joetta is open to receiving phone calls at home on Monday and Wednesday evening from 7-8:30 p.m.

**Michael Bischoff:** Is on vacation this week

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

*Email all bulletin items before Thursday evening to:*

[faithmc@faithmennonite.org](mailto:faithmc@faithmennonite.org)

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**It's Strawberry Time! — Wednesday, July 1** (5:30-8:45 p.m. —FMC will again host a strawberry picking trip to Natura Farms near Hugo, MN). A bus (50 available seats) will leave from the church. Berries cost \$16 / 5-quart pail or \$15 if you use own pail. Suggested donation to cover bus rental: \$5/person or \$12/family. Marcia Siggelkow is coordinating this year's event. To reserve a seat(s) on the bus or if you're interested in helping out, please contact Marcia at [FMCstrawberries@gmail.com](mailto:FMCstrawberries@gmail.com) or 651.224.3620. Informational fliers are on the back table to share with friends.

### Church Meetings and Events

June 23 – Lectionary Discussion Group, 8:30 a.m., Trotters Restaurant, St. Paul (Galatians 5:1-6, 13-26)

June 28 – Church Membership Sunday / Communion

June 30- July 5 – Mennonite Assembly, Columbus Ohio

July 1 – Strawberry picking, Natura Farms, 5:30 departure from FMC

July 5 – Peace Worship in the Park & Picnic with Missio Dei

July 12 – Ordination of Joetta during morning worship, 11 a.m.

(note time change); potluck meal following

July 13 – Church Council meeting, FMC library, 7 p.m.

You've got mail...



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## I Corinthians 13

If I speak in the tongues of mortals and of angels, but do not have love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. If I give away all my possessions, and if I hand over my body so that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing.

Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth. It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

Love never ends. But as for prophecies, they will come to an end; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will come to an end. For we know only in part, and we prophesy only in part; but when the complete comes, the partial will come to an end. When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child; when I became an adult, I put an end to childish ways. For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then we will see face to face. Now I know only in part; then I will know fully, even as I have been fully known. And now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; and the greatest of these is love.

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

**Meals for the Skogerboe family** — Adam Nafziger is coordinating meals for the Skogerboes. Please contact him if you would like to provide a meal. Adam's phone is 612-722-3317

### New Contact Information

- **Alisa Bardo-Martinson & Andy Martinson** as of 6/22: 4635 20th Road N, #12; Arlington, VA 22207. Phone 703-248-9394
- **Donna Stucky** has a new cell phone number: 612-804-9860
- **Rachel and Brian Hoskins:** 601 Main St SE, Apt 220, Minneapolis 55414

### The Twin Cities Pride Parade is just around the corner on June 28.

Make sure to mark your calendar and plan to attend. Faith Mennonite Church will be marching as a group after church. Bring a sack lunch, water, hat/sunscreen/umbrella as appropriate and comfortable walking shoes. We will meet after church to eat and then carpool to the parade, hopefully getting there around noon. We will be lining up on Washington Ave in downtown Minneapolis. If you have any questions, contact Katie Hochstedler at 319-936-0495 or [katie.hochstedler@gmail.com](mailto:katie.hochstedler@gmail.com).

### Called to be Faithful Minnesota: A Witness of Lament

**Tuesday, June 30, 10:45 am, State Capitol, St. Paul (Minnesota Council of Churches)** Minnesota people of faith are gathering for a witness of lament on Tuesday, June 30 at 10:45 AM at the state capitol to beg Gov. Tim Pawlenty not to abandon the health of Minnesota's citizens, especially those most in need. The governor has already vetoed a bill that would have preserved health insurance for 30,000 extremely vulnerable Minnesotans. This is not the Minnesota we are called to be. We want to remind Gov. Pawlenty that he is governor of the people and plead for his care for all. Come and join this event in a spirit of lament: wear black, bring flowers and notes for the Governor. Bring your congregational banners as well. Sponsored by the Minnesota Council of Churches, the St. Paul Area Council of Churches and numerous congregations of many faith traditions. Check the Minnesota Council of Churches website for up-to-date information, [www.mnchurches.org](http://www.mnchurches.org)

**National Night Out, Tuesday, August 4** — We encourage FMC members to gather with your neighbors to celebrate National Night Out this August. This an opportunity to meet with your neighbors and work on strengthening your community ties by sharing, discussing and planning for the future. Now is the time to start planning an event with your neighbors. To get involved visit [www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/nno](http://www.ci.minneapolis.mn.us/nno) or call 612-673-3000.