

FAITH MENNONITE CHURCH
June 29, 2008 ~ Things that Make for Peace

Gathering Music

Welcome

Prelude

***Call to Worship:**

L: A blessing on you who are poor,
All: yours is the kingdom of God.
L: A blessing on you who mourn,
All: you shall be comforted.
L: A blessing on you who hunger for justice,
All: you shall be satisfied.
L: A blessing on you who make peace,
All: you shall be called children of God.
L: A blessing on you who are persecuted, for the cause of right.
All: yours is the kingdom of heaven.

***Hymns:** "Here in this place" #6 HWB
"I'll praise my maker" #166 HWB

Old Testament reading: Genesis 26:12-33

Prayer of Confession: #697 HWB

Children's Gathering Hymn: "Come and See" #20 HWB

Children's Time "Walking to show we care"

Hymn: "We will walk with God" #78 STJ

Sermon: "Butter and Bead Battles"

Hymn: "Let there be light, Lord God" #371 HWB

Congregational Sharing & 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 & Offertory

HWB: Hymnal Worship Book STJ: Sing the Journey

**Please stand if you are able*

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

Introduction of Guests

***Sung Benediction:** "Peace before us" (insert)

***Passing the Peace / Postlude**

Community Time

- Fellowship time - 10:45 a.m.

- The Christian Education program will resume on September 7.

A parent resource room is directly below the sanctuary, between the men's and women's washrooms. 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.

TODAY: Knowing when to walk away

Worship Leader: Joetta Schlabach **Sermon:** Esther Harder

Song Leader: Adam Nafziger **Piano:** Cathy Smetana

Childcare: Kami Blackwell Kinney and Laurie Kaufman,
one volunteer needed

Fellowship time: Tom Johnson

We welcome Esther Harder of Mountain Lake, MN, who recently completed four years of service in Uganda with Mennonite Central Committee. Esther will leave immediately after the service in order to speak during the Christian education hour at Emmanuel Mennonite Church.

Immediately following worship those who will march in the PRIDE parade will leave by carpool, organized by Leslie Minkler and Pierre Gingerich-Boberg.

NEXT SUNDAY: Elisha turns back the soldiers

Sermon: Troy Osborne **Music Leader:** Melissa Falb

Childcare: Two volunteers needed

Fellowship time: Volunteers needed

June 22:

Attendance: 48

Offering: \$1,934.25

Faith Mennonite Church

Pastor: Joetta Schlabach

Deacons: Candace Lutt, Mike Okerstrom,
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FMC OFFICE HOURS: June 30-July 4

Pastor's Hours: Monday 9-4. Joetta will be on vacation July 1 through 7. Please contact a deacon for pastoral care needs during this time.

Office Assistant Hours: Wednesday & Friday, 8:30-1:30.

Email all bulletin items before Thursday evening to:
faithmc@faithmennonite.org

Strawberry Harvest will be Wednesday, July 2, from 5:15 p.m. to 9 p.m. The bus is full!. Cost for transportation is a suggested donation of \$5/person or \$12/household. Strawberries are \$3 per quart. Call Carol Harder at 651-457-8436 or e-mail Candace Lutt at candacelutt@gmail.com if you have a question.

July 9 ~ Agape Youth Choir Concert, Park Avenue United Methodist Church, 7 p.m., 3400 Park Avenue, Minneapolis. Agape is a multi-ethnic choir under the direction of J. Randall Zercher, former choir director at Hesston College and composer of *I Bind My Heart this Tide*. Members of the choir range in age from 12 to 18. **Youth and families (and other willing folks) are invited to help serve a meal for the choir before the concert and host a cookie reception afterwards. See sign-up sheet on back table.**

Church Meetings and Events

- July 2 – Simply in Season Strawberry Picking
- July 9 – Concert by Agape Youth Choir, Houston, TX, 7 p.m., Park Avenue United Methodist Church
- July 14 – Deacons Commission, 10 a.m., Richardsons
- July 14 – Church Council, 7 p.m., FMC
- July 18-23 – Wilderness Wind Youth Canoe Trip
- July 20 – FMC Neighborhood Groups
- September 26-28 – Fall All-Church Retreat, Osceola, Wisc.

Artwork by Sophia Harder Kouay

“So [Isaac] made them a feast, and they ate
and drank...and exchanged oaths...
and they departed from him in peace.”

Genesis 26:30-31

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Genesis 26:12-33

¹²Isaac sowed seed in that land, and in the same year reaped a hundred-fold. The Lord blessed him, ¹³and the man became rich; he prospered more and more until he became very wealthy. ¹⁴He had possessions of flocks and herds, and a great household, so that the Philistines envied him. ¹⁵(Now the Philistines had stopped up and filled with earth all the wells that his father's servants had dug in the days of his father Abraham.) ¹⁶And Abimelech said to Isaac, "Go away from us; you have become too powerful for us." ¹⁷So Isaac departed from there and camped in the valley of Gerar and settled there. ¹⁸Isaac dug again the wells of water that had been dug in the days of his father Abraham; for the Philistines had stopped them up after the death of Abraham; and he gave them the names that his father had given them. ¹⁹But when Isaac's servants dug in the valley and found there a well of spring water, ²⁰the herders of Gerar quarreled with Isaac's herders, saying, "The water is ours." So he called the well Esek, because they contended with him. ²¹Then they dug another well, and they quarreled over that one also; so he called it Sitnah. ²²He moved from there and dug another well, and they did not quarrel over it; so he called it Rehoboth, saying, "Now the Lord has made room for us, and we shall be fruitful in the land." ²³From there he went up to Beer-sheba. ²⁴And that very night the Lord appeared to him and said, "I am the God of your father Abraham; do not be afraid, for I am with you and will bless you and make your offspring numerous for my servant Abraham's sake." ²⁵So he built an altar there, called on the name of the Lord, and pitched his tent there. And there Isaac's servants dug a well. ²⁶Then Abimelech went to him from Gerar, with Ahuzzath his adviser and Phicol the commander of his army. ²⁷Isaac said to them, "Why have you come to me, seeing that you hate me and have sent me away from you?" ²⁸They said, "We see plainly that the Lord has been with you; so we say, let there be an oath between you and us, and let us make a covenant with you ²⁹so that you will do us no harm, just as we have not touched you and have done to you nothing but good and have sent you away in peace. You are now the blessed of the Lord." ³⁰So he made them a feast, and they ate and drank. ³¹In the morning they rose early and exchanged oaths; and Isaac set them on their way, and they departed from him in peace. ³²That same day Isaac's servants came and told him about the well that they had dug, and said to him, "We have found water!" ³³He called it Shibah; therefore the name of the city is Beer-sheba to this day.

L: For the Word of God in scripture,
for the Word of God among us,
for the Word of God within us.

C: Thanks be to God.