

**FAITH MENNONITE CHURCH**  
August 9, 2009 ~ "Letters to the early churches"

**Prelude**  
**Welcome**

**\*Call to Worship**

**People who do not hold tightly to things are happy  
because all of God's kingdom is theirs.**

People who are gentle with the earth will see it blossom forever.

**People who can cry for all the world's suffering  
will live to see happiness.**

People who hunger and thirst for what is right  
will finally have their fill.

**People who really care will find love wherever they go.**

People who don't let the world get them down will see God.

**People who make peace happen are God's children.**

People who give up their own comfort so others can be helped  
know what heaven is all about.

*ALL: Lord, let us be like these! Amen*

**\*Hymns:** "Brethren we have met to worship" #8 HWB  
"Long before my journey's start" #36 STJ

**Proverbs 1:8-9, 8:1-4, 14-31**

**Children's gathering hymn:** "Come and See" #20 HWB

**Children's time:** "Faith through the generations" ~Minke Sundseth

**Hymn:** "All praise to our redeeming Lord" #21 HWB

**New Testament reading:** 2 Timothy 1:1-14

**Sermon:** "Everyday Power"

**Hymn:** "God of grace and God of glory" #366 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**

**\*Sending hymn:** "Praise with joy the word's creator" #16 STJ

**\*Benediction**

**\*Passing the Peace / Postlude**

Community Time

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

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**TODAY:** Personal faithfulness

**Worship leader:** Candace Lutt

**Sermon:** Phil Stoltzfus

**Song leader:** Pierre Gingerich-Boberg

**Piano:** Adam Nafziger & Sandra Westby

**Nursery volunteers:** Two Volunteers Needed

**Fellowship volunteers:** Leslie Minkler

**NEXT SUNDAY:** The cloud of Witnesses (Hebrews 11:1-12:2)

**Worship leader:** Jennifer Wandersee

**Sermon:** Richard Westby

**Song leader:** Karen Wiebe

**Piano:** Adam Nafziger

**Nursery volunteers:** Barbara Beerswing and Kami Blackwell Kinney

**Fellowship volunteers:**

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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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**August 2:** Attendance: 57

Offering: \$2,021

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## Faith Mennonite Church

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### FMC OFFICE HOURS: August 10-114

**Pastor:** Joetta & family are traveling in Malaysia until August 17. During her absence please contact a deacon for emergencies or spiritual care needs.

**Michael Bischoff:** Thurs 9-noon

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

*Email all bulletin items before Thursday evening to:*  
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**From Jesse Johnson**—Hey everyone! I decided to create a **blog** to post updates on some of the things that I'll be doing in South Korea for the next year. It seems like it'd be easier to post on a blog regularly rather than send out a mass email. The website is <http://jesseaajohnson.blogspot.com/>.

**Wednesday, August 19, Join Will Allen, the Little Earth of United Tribes community and the Women Environmental Institute** for a delightful reception to kick off the **Urban Farm Project at Little Earth**. The event will include a food justice presentation from Will Allen, plus a tour & ground breaking for the future compost & hoop house project. **Jenny Breen of Good Life Catering** is donating her culinary talents in collaboration with others in the sustainable foods community.

### Church Meetings and Events

August 10 – Church Council, 7 p.m., FMC

August 11 – Lectionary Discussion Group, 8:30 a.m., Trotter's Restaurant, SP (James 2:8-26)

August 19 – Deacon's, 9:30 a.m., Richardson's

August 19 – Missions & Service, 7 p.m., FMC library

August 22 – Sunday School teacher orientation, 9-11 a.m., FMC

August 30 – Back to School Sunday / Car Sabbath

You've got mail...



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## 2 Timothy 1:1-14

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, for the sake of the promise of life that is in Christ Jesus,

To Timothy, my beloved child:

Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.

I am grateful to God—whom I worship with a clear conscience, as my ancestors did—when I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. Recalling your tears, I long to see you so that I may be filled with joy. I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you. For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands; for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice, but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline.

Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel, relying on the power of God, who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose and grace. This grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. For this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher, and for this reason I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know the one in whom I have put my trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard until that day what I have entrusted to him. Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. Guard the good treasure entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.

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

**We need a K-2 Sunday School** teacher for spring semester. Please contact Kristin Green at [ratigangreen@yahoo.com](mailto:ratigangreen@yahoo.com) or 612 721 8786

**Next Tour of Families Moving, August 6, 4:30 p.m.** Tours are on the 1st Thursday (4:30 p.m.) and 3rd Wednesday (11:30 a.m.) of each month. These are informative sessions about family homelessness crisis in our community and how Families Moving Forward is working to help meet the growing need for shelter and housing. This is not a fundraiser and will only take 59 minutes (guaranteed!). 1810 Emerson Ave. N., Mpls, MN 55411. Phone 612-529-2185.

**On Saturday, August 15, Gale Woods Farm will be hosting its annual Breakfast on the Farm.** The morning is a celebration of local food, grown either at Gale Woods or at nearby farms. The event begins at 8:30, with eating times every half hour. There are also farm activities and tours during the morning. Reservations are \$12 for those aged 13 and up, \$6 for those 2-12, and free for those under 12. Reservations are required. Please see Melissa Hochstetler for more information, or go to [www.threeriversparkdistrict.org](http://www.threeriversparkdistrict.org).

**Writing Peace into the World, August 15, 1:00 – 5:00 pm** — At the Loft Literary Center, Instructor: Michael Kiesow Moore  
This workshop will use the writer's craft tool kit to dig deep into the nature of peace and consciously explore the nature of peace through writing. For more information and registration see <http://www.loft.org>

**Pre-Order Your Favorites! Festival and Sale for World Relief** will be offering a way to pre-order Russian Mennonite foods for you to bring home and enjoy after the festival.

**The prices are \$30/ 2-dozen frozen verenicka, \$15/1-dozen frozen prieshka and \$6/pound for frozen sausage.** Contact Thaine Dirks at [lapha002@umn.edu](mailto:lapha002@umn.edu) or 612-724-6450 before August 30th to order verenicka or prieshka and November 1 to order sausage. The pre-ordered food will only be available for pickup at the sale on November 14th. Orders may be limited.

**House of Heinrich Concert, September 19, 7 p.m.,** Emmanuel Mennonite Church, 725 E 25th St., Minneapolis — A women's quintet, directed by Charles Harder, and accompanied Jan Klassen and an instrumental group. There will be a free-will offering. The **Menno' Faith Men's Ensemble** will provide opening music for this concert. Refreshments will be available.