

FAITH MENNONITE CHURCH

October 9, 2011

Prelude

Welcome

***Call to Worship:** Psalm 25

Response: To you, O God, I lift up my soul. In you I trust.

***Hymns:** “Sing the day” (insert)

“What does the Lord require of you” (insert)

Confession & Words of Assurance: #690 HWB

Scripture reading: Philippians 2:1-11

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

Children’s time – Chris Jones

Hymn: “Philippian Hymn” (insert)

Scripture reading: Philippians 2:12-18

Sermon: “Whose feet do I need to wash?”

Hymn: “Will you let me be your servant #307 HWB (vv. 1-5)

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

If you have brought your completed Gifts Discernment form(s), please bring them forward during the offering and place them in the box on the front table.

Announcements (please give in writing to worship leader)

Introduction of guests

HWB: Hymnal Worship Book STJ: Sing the Journey

**Please stand if you are able*

***Sending hymn:** “We share the peace” (insert)

***Benediction**

***Passing the Peace / Postlude**

Community Time

10:40 a.m. Fellowship time

11:00 a.m. Faith Formation hour with classes for all ages. Visitors are welcome to join any of the adult classes:

- In the beginning...creativity – Education wing chapel
- Trauma healing – Basement fellowship hall
- Anabaptist/Mennonite Faith & Practice – Pastor’s study

TODAY: Humility (Philippians 2)

Worship leader: Bob Mack

Sermon: Joetta Schlabach

Song leader: Anna Gambucci

Piano: Cathy Smetana

Guitar: Chris Jones

Ushers: Nikki Nafziger & Darrell Martin

Nursery: Donna Minter & Leslie Minkler

Fellowship: 2 volunteers needed

NEXT SUNDAY: Appropriate Confidence (Philippians 3)

Sermon: Joetta Schlabach

Song leader: Karen Wiebe

Piano: Gregg Richardson

Ushers: Cori Skogerboe & Darrell Martin

Nursery: Andy Martinson & Hermann Weinlick

Fellowship: Barb Beers

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.

Oct 2: Attendance: 54

Offering: \$1518.00

Sanctuary Painting Project Update:

Received to date: \$28,917 **Amount remaining:** \$2,083

Continuing contributions to the painting project are deeply appreciated.

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FMC OFFICE HOURS: Oct 10-14

Pastor: Mon: noon-5 p.m.; Wed & Thurs: 9-4; Tuesday is a study day.

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. Bulletin is finalized and printed on Thursday.

October Soup Group schedule. All are welcome to partake and enjoy the company of others at this weekly meal, hosted by an FMC participant. All you need to do is RSVP and show up. Feel free to invite a friend. Simple soup and bread are provided.

Tuesday, Oct. 11, 6 p.m. – Erin Geiser residence,
Minneapolis, **RSVP by Monday noon**

Thursday, Oct. 20, 6 p.m. – Gerber residence

Friday, Oct. 28, 6 p.m. – Katie Hochstedler residence

October Birthday Brunch – Saturday, the 15th, 9:30 -11:00 a.m. If you or a family member has a birthday in October, pastor Joetta invites you to her home, 248 Aurora Ave., St. Paul, for brunch. This invitation is for whole families and significant others, not just the birthday person. Please sign up or RSVP

Taizé prayer opportunity. A community Taizé prayer service will be held on Wednesday, October 12, 6:30 p.m. at Prospect Park United Methodist Church, 22 Orlin Ave. SE, Minneapolis Everyone is welcome.

Church Meetings and Events

Each Tuesday– Lectionary Discussion Group, 8:30 a.m., Trotters, St. Paul

October 10 – Deacon's Meeting, 9 a.m., Richardson home

October 10 – Christian Education Commission, 6 p.m., FMC

October 12 – Church Council, 7 p.m., FMC

October 15 – October Birthday Brunch, 9:30 a.m., Schlabach home

October 27 - Missions & Service Commission, 7 p.m., FMC

October 29 – Twin Cities Festival & Sale for World Relief

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Philippians 2:1-11; 12-18

¹ Therefore if you have any encouragement from being united with Christ, if any comfort from his love, if any common sharing in the Spirit, if any tenderness and compassion, ² then make my joy complete by being like-minded, having the same love, being one in spirit and of one mind. ³ Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves, ⁴ not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of the others.

⁵ In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus:

⁶ Who, being in very nature^[a] God, did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own advantage;

⁷ rather, he made himself nothing by taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness.

⁸ And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to death—even death on a cross!

⁹ Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name,

¹⁰ that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth,

¹¹ and every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

¹² Therefore, my dear friends, as you have always obeyed—not only in my presence, but now much more in my absence—continue to work out your salvation with fear and trembling, ¹³ for it is God who works in you to will and to act in order to fulfill his good purpose.

¹⁴ Do everything without grumbling or arguing, ¹⁵ so that you may become blameless and pure, “children of God without fault in a warped and crooked generation.” Then you will shine among them like stars in the sky ¹⁶ as you hold firmly to the word of life. And then I will be able to boast on the day of Christ that I did not run or labor in vain. ¹⁷ But even if I am being poured out like a drink offering on the sacrifice and service coming from your faith, I am glad and rejoice with all of you. ¹⁸ So you too should be glad and rejoice with me.

Leader: 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

Persons who are interested in a **peace-based daily devotional guide** can order the fall edition (Oct, Nov, Dec) of *Seasoned with Peace*, at <http://seasonedwithpeace.blogspot.com/p/bookstore.html>. This book contains meditations, action ideas, and recipes to encourage us to follow Jesus' way of peace in all areas of our lives. Winter and Spring editions are also available, which make great Christmas gifts. Proceeds go to support the Peace and Justice Network of the Mennonite Church.

A call for Artisans, Craftmakers, and Performance Artists: FMC church will be a hosting location for this year's **Seward Art Crawl on Friday & Saturday, Dec. 2 & 3**. We will open up our sanctuary to showcase artisans from our community, especially from our church. Mike Okerstrom's paintings, Dan Leisen's landscape photography and art by other artists will be for sale. We also hope to be selling some products from TTTV and tell their fair trade story. With the holidays approaching, this is an alternative holiday shopping event. For more information or to be included among our artists, contact Mike Okerstrom or Dan Leisen

Money found in basement fellowship hall on October 2. If you misplaced some money, please contact the church office to identify the amount.

Missing Hymnals and Sing the Journey Books. The Worship Commission is looking for help returning wayward Hymnals and Sing the Journey books to the sanctuary. If you would like to keep any wayward books that may have made it back home, please consider an \$11 donation for each book. Donations can be put in the offering during the service with memo note: hymnal purchase. A sign-up sheet is in the fellowship area for ordering copies for home use. - *Chris Jones, worship commission*

Menno'Faith singers: The Mennonite Sale concert is Saturday, October 29th, around noon (time will be announced). We will do a mix of before-church and after-church rehearsals. We only have four rehearsals to pull it all together. As always, I recognize that not everyone can make it to all rehearsals. We will be singing music from the past, including the two we just sang and hopefully a new work. – *Neil Okerlund*
Sunday October 9 before church (8:50 - 9:30am)
Sunday October 16 after church (12-12:40pm)
Sunday October 23 before church (8:50-9:30am)
Saturday October 29 rehearsal just before concert

Twin Cities Festival and Sale for World Relief, Saturday, Oct. 29

Following are a number of ways that individuals and families can contribute and participate in the upcoming annual sale to support the international relief, development, and peacemaking work of Mennonite Central Committee (www.mcc.org).

Baked Goods: Margaret Janzen and Arlene Geissinger are looking for bakers to help supply baked goods for the sale. All contributions to the bake sale tables are greatly appreciated. In past years, all contributions have sold out which means this is a great fundraising corner during sale day. Good sellers have included breads, rolls, zwieback, cookies, cakes, New Year's cookies (porzilke), pies of all kinds, perischke, peppernuts and bars. If you have your own favorite baked item, we'd love to sell it! Cookies, rolls, zwieback and bars should be packaged in either half dozen OR dozen per Ziplock bag. Peppernuts should be packaged at 1 and ½ cups per Ziplock bag. If you are not able to attend the sale but would like to contribute baked goods, please call or e-mail for arrangements:

Margaret Janzen: Arlene Geissinger:

Pop & Bottled Water: To help cover food costs, the sale Board appreciates large quantities (cases) of pop and bottled water to be sold in the cafeteria. Over the next 2 weeks when you see sales of pop or water at your local grocery or big box retailer, pick up a couple of cases and drop them off at church. Bring to church Sunday or by 3 pm Friday, Oct. 28 & we'll coordinate delivery to the sale. Thank you for your help with this small but necessary project.

Penny Power Collections: Bring your pocket change to church and ask a few children each Sunday to pass Penny Power boxes or other designated containers along the pews to collect your loose change. Dig under the sofa cushions, through your purses, deep into your pants pockets & any other spot that gathers coins and collect them at home or bring them to church each Sunday. This year's sale features an anonymous grant that will match your contributions penny for penny to \$4,000. The total Penny Power collection will be split between an MCC water project in a third world country and a Ukrainian orphanage.

Want to get involved with this exciting event: If you've never been to an MCC auction / sale **OR** if you've only attended, we are looking for any last minute volunteers to help staff our event. If you'd like a peak at how this festival happens, get personally involved by volunteering for a 2 hour slot in one of the many areas staffed entirely by volunteers. Contact Glenn Geissinger, volunteer coordinator by email no later than Oct 21. Do you have friends who'd like to volunteer? Share your friend's contact information with Glenn.

THANK YOU to everyone who is involved, who supports this event to raise funds that will address needs around the world in the name of Christ.

– Glenn Geissinger