

**FAITH MENNONITE CHURCH**  
“Growing together as children of God”  
October 8, 2017

**\*Gathering Song:** “Guide me, O thou great Jehovah” #582 HWB

**Musical Interlude**

**First question: What complaints did you hear this week? About what did you complain?**

**\*Hymn:** “I hunger and I thirst” #474 HWB

**Children’s Gathering Song:** “Come and see” #20 HWB

**Children’s Time:** “Manna!” ~ Meg Troyer

**Song:** “Be present at our table, Lord” #457 HWB

**Scripture reading:** Exodus 16:1-18

**Second question: When have you experienced God providing for one of your basic needs? How did that occur?**

**Hymn:** “My Shepherd will supply my need” #589 HWB (vv 1, 3)

**Sharing Our Joys and Concerns** (*It is a joy to welcome guests; this can be a time for guest introductions.*)

**Congregational Prayer and 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. (*cont. on next pg.*)  
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*

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

**Offering and Offertory**  
**Announcements**

**\*Sung Benediction/Recessional:** “The Lord lift you up” #73 STJ

Community Time

**10:40: Fellowship time** – Basement Fellowship Hall.

**11:00: Christian Education for all ages.** We continue with the adult faith forum series “My Neighbor is Muslim.” Phil Stoltzfus will lead a follow-up discussion about “Beliefs and Practices.”

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**TODAY:** God provides manna (Exodus 16:1-18)

**Worship Leaders:** Matthew Hendricks/Noah Sundseth

**Song Leader:** Wendy Brunner

**Sermon/discussion:** Joetta Schlabach

**Piano:** Sandra Westby

**Ushers:** Minke Sundseth, Travis Lusk

**Nursery:** Susan Weinlick, David Ries

**Fellowship:** David Ott, Shelly & Matthew Hendricks

**NEXT SUNDAY:** God calls Samuel (1 Samuel 3:1-21)

**Worship Leader:** TBA

**Sermon:** Ry Siggelkow

**Song Leader:** Karen Wiebe

**Piano:** Karen Zeug

**Ushers:** Thaine Dirks, Stew Thornley

**Nursery:** Matthews Hendricks, Laurie Kaufman

**Fellowship:** David Reis & Kristin Borntreger Ries

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**Oct 1: Attendance: 77**

**Offering: \$1,186**

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**Thanksgivings:**

**Concerns:**

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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.*

**Co-Pastors: Joetta Schlabach & Ry Siggelkow**  
**Deacons: Dan Leisen, Heather Wengerd,**  
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***FMC office hours: October 9-13***

**Ry: Tues, Thurs 10-3 Joetta: Tues, Wed 10-2**

**Office Staff: Aimee Weigle: Mon.-Fri. 9:30-12:30**

***Email bulletin items by Wed afternoon.*** Bulletin printed Thurs morning.

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**Prayer Request from Central Plains Mennonite Conference:**

The situation for both documented and undocumented immigrants creates uncertainty and stress for families. Pray for immigrants you know and for the leaders who have the ability to improve the situation, that the Spirit of Christ may bring wisdom and guidance to all.

**We are pleased to welcome Jordan Penner**, a donor relations associate with Mennonite Central Committee-Central States. Jordan will share a brief update regarding the work of MCC during our worship this morning and will be available during the fellowship time if anyone would like to speak further with him.

**You are welcome to join a lunch group at noon** today to enjoy the company of **Annette, Sam and Maggie Semanchin Jones**. We'll go to the Himalayan Restaurant, 29<sup>th</sup> Ave. S at Lake Street, following the education hour.

**Come pray for our church and community!** Parent Resource Room, 9:10-9:25 a.m. each Sunday. Also, if you would like to have someone pray with you or discuss a matter of concern please look for persons with the purple "deacon" ribbon or the green "prayer" ribbon on their name tag. They are glad to meet with you.

**Several print copies of the study guide *My Neighbor is Muslim*** are available for \$2. Electronic copies can be downloaded at:  
<http://www.lssmn.org/refugeeservices/study/>.

**Church Meetings and Events** (online calendar: [www.faithmennonite.org](http://www.faithmennonite.org))

**Oct 11** – Church Council, 7 p.m., Chapel

**Oct 14** – Worship Commission meeting, 8:30 a.m., Chapel

**Oct 14** – Sewing Group, 9:30 a.m., Library

**Oct 18** - Dinner & Book Conversation, 6 p.m., Siggelkow home

**Nov 1** – Deacon Commission, 6:30 p.m., Englund-Helmeke home

## Exodus 16:1-18

The whole congregation of the Israelites set out from Elim; and Israel came to the wilderness of Sin, which is between Elim and Sinai, on the fifteenth day of the second month after they had departed from the land of Egypt. <sup>2</sup>The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. <sup>3</sup>The Israelites said to them, ‘If only we had died by the hand of the LORD in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the fleshpots and ate our fill of bread; for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger.’

Then the LORD said to Moses, ‘I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not. <sup>5</sup>On the sixth day, when they prepare what they bring in, it will be twice as much as they gather on other days.’ <sup>6</sup>So Moses and Aaron said to all the Israelites, ‘In the evening you shall know that it was the LORD who brought you out of the land of Egypt, <sup>7</sup>and in the morning you shall see the glory of the LORD, because he has heard your complaining against the LORD. For what are we, that you complain against us?’ <sup>8</sup>And Moses said, ‘When the LORD gives you meat to eat in the evening and your fill of bread in the morning, because the LORD has heard the complaining that you utter against him—what are we? Your complaining is not against us but against the LORD.’

Then Moses said to Aaron, ‘Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites, “Draw near to the LORD, for he has heard your complaining.”’ <sup>10</sup>And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked towards the wilderness, and the glory of the LORD appeared in the cloud.

<sup>11</sup>The LORD spoke to Moses and said, <sup>12</sup>‘I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, “At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the LORD your God.”’

In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. <sup>14</sup>When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. <sup>15</sup>When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, ‘What is it?’ For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, ‘It is the bread that the LORD has given you to eat.’ <sup>16</sup>This is what the LORD has commanded: “Gather as much of it as each of you needs, an omer to a person according to the number of persons, all providing for those in their own tents.” <sup>17</sup>The Israelites did so, some gathering more, some less. <sup>18</sup>But when they measured it with an omer, those who gathered much had nothing over, and those who gathered little had no shortage; they gathered as much as each of them needed.

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

**TODAY is the final day that Cynthia Miller is collecting children’s vitamins** to take with her to Haiti this month to be distributed to families at mobile clinics. Speak to her today if you would like to make a cash contribution.

**FINAL DAY to sign up for a triad!** If you would like to meet with two other people on a regular basis, to get better acquainted and to support one another in your walk of faith, the Deacon Commission invites you to sign up for a triad. A sign-up sheet is in the church narthex. If you have questions, please speak with a pastor or one of the deacons (Katie Cuffey, Shawn Englund-Helmeke, Kristin Green, Dan Leisen, Hermann Weinlick, Heather Wengerd).

**From Ry Siggelkow - Dinner & Book Conversation:** Our book this fall will be Dietrich Bonhoeffer’s *Discipleship*. Bonhoeffer was a leading figure in the Confessing Church, a group of congregations across Germany that stood in opposition to the German Reich Church during the 1930s and 40s. We will meet **twice** to discuss it. We will discuss **Part One (Chapters 1-7) on Wednesday, Oct. 18 at 6 p.m. and Part Two (Chapters 8-13) on Wednesday, Nov. 15 at 6 p.m.** Both gatherings will be at my house and I will serve dinner. If you are interested in joining me, please let me know ahead of time so I know how much food to prepare! *I will have copies of the book available in the narthex for \$15.*

**Leading Worship with Energy and Grace, Saturday, Nov 4, 9 am-4 pm**  
Our church will be the host venue for this worship-leading workshop led by Christopher Montgomery, pastor of the Sermon on the Mount Mennonite Church, Sioux Fall. Christopher has developed **The Anabaptist School of Worship** which offers programs, online resources, and in-house apprenticing for congregations, pastors, and worship leaders to engage in worship that discerns the reign of God. **Watch for registration information in the Midweek Email Update.**

**Brown bag lunch with Madeline!** Madeline Kreider Carlson will make a brief visit to town in a couple weeks. On Sunday, Oct 22, she will spend the noonhour with us, talking and showing photos of her work with Mennonite Central Committee and Ten Thousand Villages in Haiti. Bring a sack lunch. Beverages provided. Madeline will also give a presentation at the Ten Thousand Villages store on Monday, Oct 23 (2 time options). This will be different from her presentation at FMC, so you’re invited to both occasions. The Midweek Email Update will include a link to the store event.