FAITH MENNONITE CHURCH

"God's Earth: honoring, loving, protecting, healing" September 9, 2018

*Gathering Song: "This is my Father's world" #154 HWB **Musical Interlude**

*Welcome and Call to Worship -

Leader: Our God, we gather to worship you, the One who creates all things.

People: For the gift of creation, we give thanks.

L: We gather to worship you, the One who brings salvation through Jesus Christ.

P: For the gift of redemption, we give thanks.

L: We gather to worship you, the One who sustains us by the Spirit.

P: For the gift of your presence, we give thanks.

L: We bring to you our offerings of thanks and praise for all your gifts.

All: We worship you – our Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer. AMEN

*Hymn: "Creating God, your fingers trace" #325 HWB

Children's Gathering Song: "Come and see" #20 HWB

Children's Time ~ Alisa Bardo-Martinson

Hymn: "All Things bright and beautiful" #156 HWB **Scripture reading:** Genesis 6:5-22; 8:6-12; 9:8-17 Sermon: "Building Arks and Seeing Rainbows" **Hymn:** "We are people of God's peace" #407 HWB

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.

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

*Sending hymn: "For the beauty of the earth" #89 HWB

Postlude

Community Time

10:40: Fellowship Time

11:00: Education classes for all ages begins

Following the education hour, join us in the basement for our New Church

Year Kick-off Potluck!

TODAY: Church Year Kick-off

Worship Leader: Orv Gingerich **Sermon:** Ry Siggelkow Readers: Noelle Hendricks, Tona Ratigan Green, Katrina Joy Zabriskie Piano: Gregg Richardson **Song Leader:** Miriam Augsburger

Ushers: Dan Gerber, Shelly Hendricks Nursery: Barb Beers, Pat Eliason

Fellowship: Thanks to our potluck hosts: Phil Stoltzfus, Arlene & Glenn

Geissinger, Pierre Gingerich-Boberg, & Wendy Brunner.

NEXT SUNDAY: Call of Abraham (*Genesis 12:1-9*)

Worship Leader: Leslie Minkler **Sermon:** Ry Siggelkow Song Leader: Wendy Brunner Piano: Karen Zeug

Ushers: Stew Thornley, Thaine Dirks Nursery: Karla Hovde, Eden Kaiser

Fellowship: Donna Minter, Volunteer Needed

Offering - Local Budget: \$2,108 Sept 2: Attendance: 90 Refugee Fund: \$150

Thanksgivings:

Concerns:

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.



Pastor: Ry Siggelkow Deacons: Dan Leisen, Heather Wengerd, Shawn Englund-Helmeke, Donna Stucky, Hermann Weinlick, Kristin Green

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FMC office hours: Sept 10-14

Ry: Available by appointment Tues - Thurs **Office Staff: Aimee Weigle**: M-Th 9:30-12:30, Friday afternoon *Email bulletin items by <u>Wed afternoon</u>*. Bulletin printed Thurs morning.

Prayer Request from Mennonite Mission Network: David and Sophie Lapp Jost of Mennonite Mission Network are beginning an assignment in Nazareth, Israel. Pray for them as they visit hospital patients, teach English, and assist with communication projects.

On Sunday, Sept. 30th, we will celebrate with Pastor Ry as he is ordained by the Central Plains Conference of the Mennonite Church. Central Plains Conference Minister Tim Detweiler will preside over the ordination. Several persons who have been mentors to Ry will offer short meditations: Carol Wise, Tim Jackson, Antonia Alvarez, and Christian Collins Winn. Following the service will be an extended time of fellowship and celebration of Ry's ministry. Adult education classes will not be held, but Children's classes will be, on an altered schedule--more details to follow!

Would you like someone to pray with you or discuss a matter of concern? Look for persons with the purple "deacon" ribbon or the green "prayer" ribbon on their name tag. They are glad to meet with you.

Church Meetings and Events (online calendar: www.faithmennonite.org)

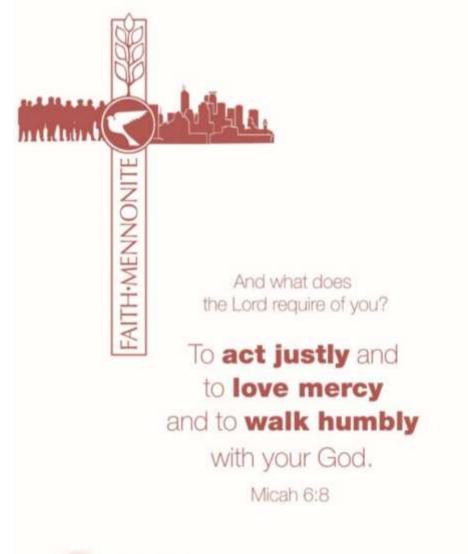
Sept 11 – Sunday Text Discussion, 8:30 a.m., Seward Co-op

Sept 12 – Church Council Meeting, 7 p.m., Chapel

Sept 22-23 – FMC Fall Retreat, YMCA St. Croix Camp, Hudson, WI

Sept 26 – Youth Faith Formation, 6 p.m., Location TBD

Sept 30 - Ry's Ordination Service





Genesis 6:5-22; 8:6-12; 9:8-17

⁵The Lord saw that the wickedness of humankind was great in the earth, and that every inclination of the thoughts of their hearts was only evil continually. ⁶And the Lord was sorry that he had made humankind on the earth, and it grieved him to his heart. 7So the Lord said, "I will blot out from the earth the human beings I have created—people together with animals and creeping things and birds of the air, for I am sorry that I have made them." ⁸But Noah found favor in the sight of the Lord. ⁹These are the descendants of Noah. Noah was a righteous man, blameless in his generation; Noah walked with God. ¹⁰And Noah had three sons, Shem, Ham, and Japheth. ¹¹Now the earth was corrupt in God's sight, and the earth was filled with violence. ¹²And God saw that the earth was corrupt; for all flesh had corrupted its ways upon the earth. ¹³And God said to Noah, "I have determined to make an end of all flesh, for the earth is filled with violence because of them; now I am going to destroy them along with the earth. ¹⁴Make yourself an ark of cypress wood; make rooms in the ark, and cover it inside and out with pitch. ¹⁵This is how you are to make it: the length of the ark three hundred cubits, its width fifty cubits, and its height thirty cubits. ¹⁶Make a roof for the ark, and finish it to a cubit above; and put the door of the ark in its side; make it with lower, second, and third decks. ¹⁷For my part, I am going to bring a flood of waters on the earth, to destroy from under heaven all flesh in which is the breath of life; everything that is on the earth shall die. ¹⁸But I will establish my covenant with you; and you shall come into the ark, you, your sons, your wife, and your sons' wives with you. ¹⁹And of every living thing, of all flesh, you shall bring two of every kind into the ark, to keep them alive with you; they shall be male and female. ²⁰Of the birds according to their kinds, and of the animals according to their kinds, of every creeping thing of the ground according to its kind, two of every kind shall come in to you, to keep them alive. ²¹ Also take with you every kind of food that is eaten, and store it up; and it shall serve as food for you and for them." ²²Noah did this: he did all that God commanded him.

⁶At the end of forty days Noah opened the window of the ark that he had made ⁷and sent out the raven; and it went to and fro until the waters were dried up from the earth. ⁸Then he sent out the dove from him, to see if the waters had subsided from the face of the ground; ⁹but the dove found no place to set its foot, and it returned to him to the ark, for the waters were still on the face of the whole earth. So he put out his hand and took it and brought it into the ark with him. ¹⁰He waited another seven days, and again he sent out the dove from the ark; ¹¹and the dove came back to him in the evening, and there in its beak was a freshly plucked olive leaf; so Noah knew that the waters had subsided from the earth. ¹²Then he waited another seven days, and sent out the dove; and it did not return to him any more.

⁸Then God said to Noah and to his sons with him, ⁹"As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you, ¹⁰ and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark. 11I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of a flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth." ¹²God said, "This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations:¹³I have set my bow in the clouds, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. ¹⁴When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, ¹⁵I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. ¹⁶When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth." ¹⁷God said to Noah, "This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth."

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

The Annual FMC **All Church Fall Retreat** is **Sept. 22-23** (Sat. to Sun. after lunch) at YMCA Camp St. Croix in Hudson, WI. **Brochures with registration information are in your mail folders**. The **registration deadline has been extended to Sept. 11th**. ALL are welcome! Also, **Peter Sang has offered to help with our childcare needs** on Sat. morning, Sept 22nd, but he needs a ride. If you plan on being at the retreat Sat. only (not spending the night), and Peter can travel with you, please contact Aimee in the church office.

Fall Adult Sunday School Class - September Trustee Sundays
Solar panels? Rooftop garden? Pizza oven? What is this place? What can
this place be? In the month of September, we will have adult Sunday
school on the 9th and the 16th. Join Ry and the trustees for two sessions on
the church building and grounds. Help re-imagine our church home. Learn
what needs to be completed and explore the possibilities of what we can
do.

Please take a moment to sign up for fellowship & potluck. We can only continue these important community events if everyone signs up. Sign-up Here: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a0c4aa4af2ea46-fmcfellowship. Thank you!

Genesis 6:5-22; 8:6-12; 9:8-17

⁵ El Señor vio que era mucha la maldad de los hombres en la tierra, y que toda intención de los pensamientos de su corazón era sólo hacer siempre el mal. ⁶ Y al Señor Le pesó haber hecho al hombre en la tierra, y sintió tristeza en Su corazón. ⁷ Entonces el Señor dijo: "Borraré de la superficie de la tierra al hombreque he creado, desde el hombre hasta el ganado, los reptiles y las aves del cielo, porque Me pesa haberlos hecho." 8 Pero Noé halló gracia ante los ojos del Señor. ⁹ Estas son las generaciones de Noé. Noé era un hombre justo, perfecto (íntegro)entre sus contemporáneos. Noé siempre andaba con Dios. ¹⁰ Noé engendró tres hijos: Sem, Cam y Jafet. ¹¹ Pero la tierra se había corrompido delante de Dios, y estaba la tierra llena de violencia. ¹² Dios miró a la tierra, y vio que estaba corrompida, porque toda carne (toda la gente) había corrompido su camino sobre la tierra. ¹³ Entonces Dios dijo a Noé: "He decidido poner fin a toda carne[e], porque la tierra está llena de violencia por causa de ellos; por eso voy a destruirlos junto con la tierra. ¹⁴ Hazte un arca de madera de ciprés. Harás el arca con compartimientos, y la cubrirás con brea por dentro y por fuera. ¹⁵ De esta manera la harás: de 135 metros la longitud del arca, de 22.5 metros su anchura y de 13.5 metros su altura. 16 Le harás una ventana que terminará a 45 centímetros del techo, y pondrás la puerta en su costado. Harás el arca de tres pisos. ¹⁷ "Entonces Yo traeré un diluvio sobre la tierra, para destruir toda carne (todo ser viviente) en que hay aliento de vida debajo del cielo. Todo lo que hay en la tierra perecerá. ¹⁸ Pero estableceré Mi pacto contigo. Entrarás en el arca tú, y contigo tus hijos, tu mujer y las mujeres de tus hijos. 19 "Y de todo ser viviente, de toda carne, meterás dos de cada especie en el arca, para preservarles la vida contigo; macho y hembra serán. ²⁰ De las aves según su especie, de los animales según su especie y de todo reptil de la tierra según su especie, dos de cada especie vendrán a ti para que les preserves la vida. ²¹ "Y tú, toma para ti de todo alimento que se come, y almacénalo, y será alimento para ti y para ellos." ²² Así lo hizo Noé; conforme a todo lo que Dios le había mandado, así lo hizo. ⁶ Después de cuarenta días. Noé abrió la ventana del arca que él había hecho, ⁷ y envió un cuervo, que estuvo yendo y viniendo hasta ver que se secaran las aguas sobre la tierra. ⁸ Después envió una paloma para ver si las aguas habían disminuido sobre la superficie de la tierra. ⁹ Pero la paloma no encontró lugar donde posarse, de modo que volvió a él, al arca, porque las aguas estaban sobre la superficie de toda la tierra. Entonces Noé extendió la mano, la tomó y la metió consigo en el arca. ¹⁰ Esperó aún otros siete días, y volvió a enviar la paloma desde el arca. ¹¹ Hacia el atardecer la paloma regresó a él, trayendo en su pico[i] una hoja de olivo recién arrancada. Entonces Noé comprendió que las aguas habían disminuido sobre la tierra. ¹² Esperó aún otros siete días y envió de nuevo la paloma, pero ya no volvió más a él.

⁸ Entonces Dios habló a Noé y a sus hijos que estaban con él y les dijo: ⁹ "Miren, Yo establezco Mi pacto con ustedes, y con su descendencia después de ustedes, ¹⁰ y con todo ser viviente que está con ustedes: aves, ganados y todos los animales de la tierra que están con ustedes, todos los que han salido del arca, todos los animales de la tierra. 11 Yo establezco Mi pacto con ustedes, y nunca más volverá a ser exterminada toda carne (todo ser viviente) por las aguas del diluvio, ni habrá más diluvio para destruir la tierra." ¹² También dijo Dios: "Esta es la señal del pacto que Yo hago con ustedes y todo ser viviente que está con ustedes, por todas las generaciones: ¹³ Pongo Mi arco en las nubes y será por señal de Mi pacto con la tierra. 14 "Y acontecerá que cuando haga venir nubes sobre la tierra, se verá el arco en las nubes, 15 y me acordaré de Mi pacto, con ustedes y con todo ser viviente de toda carne. Nunca más se convertirán las aguas en diluvio para destruir toda carne. ¹⁶ Cuando el arco esté en las nubes, lo miraré para acordarme del pacto eterno entre Dios y todo ser viviente de toda carne que está sobre la tierra." ¹⁷ Y dijo Dios a Noé: "Esta es la señal del pacto que Yo he establecido con toda carne que está sobre la tierra."