

Join the Adventure!
First Mennonite Church
January 20, 2019

Announcements Steve Harnish

Prelude “Toccatà in G” B. Culli
Lu Ann Stuckey

Welcome and Invocation

*Hymn “Open now thy gates of beauty” HWB 19

*Responsive Reading Isaiah 61:1-4 (NRSV)

L: The spirit of the Lord God is upon me, because the Lord has anointed me; he has sent me to bring good news to the oppressed, to bind up the brokenhearted,

C: to proclaim liberty to the captives, and release to the prisoners; to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favor

L: to comfort all who mourn; to provide for those who mourn in Zion—to give them a garland instead of ashes, the oil of gladness instead of mourning, the mantle of praise instead of a faint spirit.

C: They will be called oaks of righteousness, the planting of the Lord, to display his glory.

L: They shall build up the ancient ruins, they shall raise up the former devastations;

ALL: they shall repair the ruined cities, the devastations of many generations.

Special Music “May the Mind of Christ My Savior”
Chancel Choir; Monica Harnish, violin; Lloyd Larson, composer

Conversation with friends Jeff Gundy
“Let the children come to me” STS 47
Vs. 1 for coming forward, vs. 2 for returning

Community prayer Theda Good

Scripture Luke 4:1-15 Brent Schroeder
Luke 4:16-30 Grace Paquin
Luke 5:1-11 Kaleigh Coffman
Rebecca Estell, Theo Andreas
Ben Hartzler, Ethan Nickel John-Paul Yoder
II Timothy 2:1-9 Danielle Novak

Sermon “Join the Adventure!” Wanda Stopher

*Hymn “Santo, santo, santo” HWB 400
(Sing in either Spanish or English)

Presenting our tithes and offerings

Offertory “Holy, Holy, Holy” arr. R. Hartsell

*Hymn of Dedication “What gift can we bring” HWB 385
(v. 2)

*Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn “Oh, for a thousand tongues to sing” HWB 110

*Benediction

Postlude “Toccatà in D” K.T. Kosche

**Please rise in body or in spirit.*
HWB – Hymnal: A Worship Book; STJ – Sing the Journey; STS – Sing the Story
Please ask an usher for assistance in locating large print hymnals.

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Church Staff

- Pastor Wanda Stopher -- Monday-Thursday, 9-4, off Friday; 419-551-1079 (cell); fmc.wanda@bluffton.edu
- Pastor Theda Good -- Tuesday-Friday, 9-4, off Monday; 419-549-2417 (cell); fmc.theda@bluffton.edu
- Interim Children and Youth Ministry Director – Carrie Mast, M-F, 8-10 a.m., mastc@bluffton.edu
- Director of Music – Mark Suderman, 419-230-5368 (cell); sudermanme@bluffton.edu
- Administrative Assistant – Mary Pannabecker Steiner, M-F, 9-4, fmc@bluffton.edu
- Custodian – Mick Hardy, 7:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m., weekends as needed

Host: Judy Buller

Sound: Art Shelly

Chancel: Anita Lehman

Nursery today: Greg and Laura Hartzler

Worship: Jason Diller, Melissa Friesen, Grace Paquin

Nursery next week: Wendy Chappell-Dick; Lori Nester

Worship: Betsi and Joe Werling; Sunita Hooley

Our stewardship:

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| Worship attendance last Sunday | FMC-181, MC-8 |
| Volunteer hours | N/A |
| Spending plan giving Jan. 13, 2019 (includes e-giving) | \$5,547.00 |
| Special fund giving Jan. 13, 2019 (includes e-giving): Freudige-\$20 | |
| Sojourners-\$29; Faith/Life-\$61; Faithful Liv-\$5; Kitchen service-\$6 | |
| Deacons Bene-\$50; Habitat-\$120; Memorial-\$150 | |
| ISF-\$50; MW-\$100; Flooring-\$105; Et Cetera-\$524.87; | \$1,220.87 |
| Total giving Jan. 13, 2019 (includes e-giving) | \$6,767.87 |
| Total spending plan receipts as of November 30, 2018 | \$324,996.31 |
| Spending plan expenses as of November 30, 2018 | \$359,425.17 |
| 2018 spending plan | \$427,441.00 |

First Mennonite Church is affiliated with the Central District Conference of Mennonite Church USA. The Mennonites are named after Menno Simons, one of our early church leaders, and are rooted historically in the "Anabaptist" movement, which began in 1525, with origins in Switzerland, Germany, and the Netherlands now reaching around the world. Some primary Anabaptist convictions then and now are following Jesus Christ in service to others, rejection of violence and war, and joyful community life.

