

**Voices Together
First Mennonite Church
October 18, 2020**

Welcome and Announcements *Kathy Dickson*
Prelude *He Leadeth Me* Bradbury/Alexander
Elaine Suderman
Invocation
VT571 *O God, We Read the Holy Law*
Jeff & Beth Boehr, John and Melinda Estell
Conversation with Friends Laura Hartzler
Hyfrydol/Come, thou long-expected Jesus (HWB 178) and
Great is the Lord (HWB 87) Judy Steiner
Community Prayer Jeff Boehr
Matthew 22:15-22 John Rich

Sermon *The trouble with following Jesus* Wanda Stopher
HWB 366 *God of grace and God of glory*
Dedication Prayer
Offertory *Be Still My Soul/It is Well with My Soul*
Arr. Melody Bober
Elaine Suderman
STJ 65 *Let justice flow like streams*
Benediction

*HWB – Hymnal: A Worship Book; STJ – Sing the Journey;
STS – Sing the Story; VT -- Voices Together*

*Parts of our service were pre-recorded. Participants are
following safe-distancing practices.*

*In response to God's unconditional love for all people, we joyfully and
unconditionally welcome you to join us on our journey of faith in
Jesus Christ. We are committed to breaking down dividing walls and
building community where all are loved and accepted. We believe in
active inclusion and invite each one to participate in the life and
ministry of our congregation.*

First Mennonite Church, 101 S. Jackson St., Bluffton, Ohio 45817
419-358-5766 | fmcbluffton.org | Office open 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. M-F

Church Staff

- Pastor Wanda Stopher – WFH Monday-Thursday, off Friday; 419-551-1079; wanda@fmcbluffton.org
- Pastor Jeff Boehr – WFH Tuesday & Friday; 419-236-9150; jeff@fmcbluffton.org
- Children and Youth Ministry Director – Carrie Mast, Zooming M-F, 419-230-1568, mastc@bluffton.edu
- Director of Music – Mark Suderman, WFH 419-230-5368; sudermanme@bluffton.edu
- Administrative Asst. – Mary Pannabecker Steiner, WFH M-F, 9-4, fmc@fmcbluffton.org

Video editor: Ray Raeburn

Sound: Chris Moser

Camera: Glen Buller

Chancel: Anita Lehman, Beth Boehr

Our stewardship

Total spending plan giving October 2020 to date	\$15,759
Avg monthly offering needed to meet 2020 spending plan	\$37,136

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.

