

Moving with the Spirit
First Mennonite Church
June 15, 2019

Music Calls us to Worship

Welcome Perry Bush

Announcements

Prelude Laura Hartzler

Invocation

*Opening Hymns Laura and Ellie Hartzler

*Responsive Reading John 15:1-8 (NRSV)

L: I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower. He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes.

C: Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me.

L: I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing.

C: Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned.

L: If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you.

ALL: My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and be my disciples.

Conversation with Friends Bruce Steingass
"Put peace into each other's hand" STJ 87
(vs.1 coming forward and vs. 5 returning to seats)

Community Prayer Theda Good

Scripture Acts 2:1-14 (NRSV) Don Hooley

Sermon "Let Us Be Guided by the Spirit" Ray Person

*Hymn "O Holy Spirit, making whole" HWB 300

Presenting our tithes and offerings

Offertory

*Hymn "We give thee but thine own" (vs. 1&5) HWB 384

*Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn "In Christ there is no East or West" HWB 306

*Benediction

Postlude

Today's bulletin cover/coloring page is a nod to McClaren's comment "...but if your sail isn't raised, you won't get far." Colored pencils are available in baskets at entrances to the sanctuary.

**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 help locating large print hymnals.

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.

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Church Staff

- Pastor Wanda Stopher – On sabbatical, returning August 1
- Pastor Theda Good – Monday-Thursday, 9-4, off Friday; 419-549-2417 (cell); theda@fmcbluffton.org (**new e-mail address**)
- Children and Youth Ministry Director – Carrie Mast, M-F, 8-11 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, @bluffton.edu
- Custodian – Mick Hardy, 7-10 a.m., weekends as needed

Host: Barb Stettler

Greeter: Ruth Early

Chancel: Anita Lehman

Nursery: Gerald Mast, Lori Nester

Worship: Kathy Dickson, Kendra and Ellie Nickel

Nursery next week: Monica Harnish, Cheri Slotter

Worship: Andrea Goings, Annette Heslep, Grace Paquin

Our stewardship

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| Worship attendance last Sunday | FMC-125, MC-7 |
| Volunteer hours last week | 9 |
| Spending plan giving June 9, 2019 (with e-giving) | \$10,480.00 |
| Non-spending plan giving June 9, 2019 (with e-giving): Freudige-\$30 | |
| Deacons Benevolent-\$670; Capital campaign-\$30; Kitchen-\$2.30 | |
| Habitat-\$180; College scholarships-\$65; MDS-\$100 | \$1,077.30 |
| Total giving June 9, 2019 (includes e-giving) | \$11,557.30 |
| 2019 spending plan | \$431,854.00 |



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.