

# Announcements

## College Care Package Items are being collected during October and November.

Please consider donating snack items, drink or other pick-me up items to help our away-from-home college students survive the final exams week. The collection box is located near the church mailboxes. We will be distributing these items to parents just before Thanksgiving. Thank you, Christian Ed. Committee.

**Small groups are alive and well at FMC.** If you would like to join or continue being in a small group please complete the survey which has been placed in all of the mailboxes and return it to Peter Dyck's mail box as soon as possible.

**David W. Shenk, Global Consultant with Eastern Mennonite Missions, will lead a two-hour seminar What is Islam? on Saturday, October 17,** at East Bend Mennonite Church, rural Fisher. The program will begin at 6:30 p.m. and all are welcome to attend.

**Anyone available to assist Paul and Martha Sieber with the upcoming move** into their Mahomet apartment, please call Paul as soon as possible. **The move date is Saturday, October 17th**, but some furniture could be taken earlier.

## Women's Brunch Sponsored by Illinois Mennonite Women

Saturday, October 24<sup>th</sup> – 9:30am at the Illinois Mennonite Heritage Center. A \$5 donation per person is suggested. There will be worship, fellowship and a display of 19 quilts made between 1833 and 1915.

**Sunday, October 25<sup>th</sup> - A Musical Benefit will be held at the Lincolnshire Fields Country Club, Entitled "Let Us Entertain You."** Dessert will be served from 2:00-2:30pm followed by a musical program. Donations of \$35 per person are requested, while children/student donations will be \$10 each. All proceeds go to benefit Daily Bread Soup Kitchen's efforts. Seating is limited so please make your reservations today by calling Gina Stocking at: 217.352.3611.

*Happy Birthday!*

**Today, October 11<sup>th</sup>** – Petey Biddle,  
Raina Liechty Martens  
**Monday, October 12<sup>th</sup>** – Emerson Nafziger  
**Saturday, October 17<sup>th</sup>** – Ryan Woodson

**October 18<sup>th</sup> AT FIRST MENNONITE: 9:15 AM** *Goshen College Parables Group Service*

**Service Led By Goshen College  
Parables Group**

**Worship Leader** – Cindy Breeze

**Prayer & Sharing** – Cindy Breeze  
**Greeters** – Brett Bode, Kim Bode, Cynthia Nafziger  
**Worship Nursery** – Rachel Rasmussen, Raina Liechty- Martens  
**Refreshments** – Rebecca McNulty, Pam Martin  
**SS Nursery** – Knit & Nurture  
**\$tewards** – Rebecca Moyer, Bruce Miller



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(Tuesday – Friday)

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## OCTOBER 11TH, 2009 WORSHIP SERVICE

### PRELUDE

**LIGHTING OF THE SOLIDARITY LAMP** *The oil lamp at the front of the sanctuary symbolizes our Sister Church relationship with El Divino Redentor Church in Bucaramanga, Colombia.*

### \*GATHERING HYMNS

\*HYMN #19 (green)

"I will call upon the Lord"

\*SONG (insert)

"Far, far away from my loving father"

### WELCOME

### PRAYER

### WORK OF THE CHURCH

### \*WORDS OF PRAISE - from Isaiah 12

**Leader:** I will give thanks to you, O Lord, for though you were angry with me, your anger turned away, and you comforted me.

**People: Surely God is my salvation!**

**I will trust and will not be afraid,  
for the Lord God is my strength and my might.  
The Lord God has become my salvation.**

**Leader:** With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation. Give thanks to the Lord, call on God's name, make known the Lord's deeds among the nations, and proclaim the exalted name of God.

**People: Sing praise to the Lord, for God has done gloriously!**

**Let this be known in all the earth!  
Shout aloud and sing for joy!**

**Leader:** Shout aloud and sing for joy, O royal Zion, for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel.

### CHILDREN'S STORY

**\*SONG**

“You’re my brother, you’re my friend”

You’re my brother, you’re my friend; you’re my beginning and my end  
You’re all around me when the world turns and walks away  
You’re my sunshine on a cloudy day; you’re the rain that wipes my blues away  
And I can always count on you ‘cause you’re my brother; you’re my friend.

**MENTORING FINALE**

**SCRIPTURE** (page 1029)

Romans 4:13-21

**OFFERING** (Children’s offering will go to “Operation Sleigh Bell”)

**OFFERTORY  
PRAYER**

**GOSPEL READING** (page 913)

Mark 2:1-12

**SERMON**

“Gutsy Faith”

**\*RESPONSE HYMN #6** (hymnal)

“Here in this place”

**INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS**

**SHARING**

**PRAYER**

**THE LORD’S PRAYER**

**\*SENDING HYMN** (insert)

“I will sing for joy”

**BENEDICTION**

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\*PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE

**Sermon** – Janet Elaine Rasmussen  
**Worship Leader** – Chuck Gibson  
**Music** – Worship Band  
**Children’s Story** – Dannie Otto  
**Scripture** – Howard Piggee, Carol Schuster

**Prayer & Sharing** – Janet Elaine Rasmussen  
**Greeters** – Brett Bode, Kim Bode, Cynthia Nafziger  
**Worship Nursery** – Rebecca Moyer, Grace Sancken  
**Refreshments** – Bev Hertle, Rachel Rasmussen  
**SS Nursery** – Knit & Nurture  
**\$tewards** – Randy Nelson, Jill Schreiber

**OUR SUNDAY MORNING SCHEDULE**

**10:45-11:15** Fellowship Time downstairs for all  
**11:00-11:15** Children’s Singing, pre-K to 5<sup>th</sup> grade    **11:15-12:00** Sunday School

**Christian Education Classes for Adults**

Coffee and Conversation – Library    Biblical Pacifism – Room #6 (downstairs)  
Knit and Nurture – Nursery    Eyes On Jesus: Discerning Our Welcome - Sanctuary  
Young Adult Fellowship –Room #13 (downstairs)

**Children/Youth Classes (downstairs)**

Pre-School – Room #6    Middle School – Room #3  
Multi-age – Room #11    High School - Room #7

*Today*

**5:30pm** MYF Corn Maze

*This Week*

**Monday, October 12<sup>th</sup>**– *The Vine Deadline*

If you have any articles for our monthly newsletter, please email them by **Monday, October 12<sup>th</sup>** to Kaye Massanari at: [kmassanari@yahoo.com](mailto:kmassanari@yahoo.com)

**Wednesday, October 14<sup>th</sup>** – PJI – 6:45pm

**Thursday, October 15<sup>th</sup>** – Bible Study – 9:15am

**Friday, October 16<sup>th</sup>** – Venture Club Marshmallow Roast at the Bodes’ – 6:30-8:00pm

FMC is a co-sponsor of the One Light, Many Lamps interfaith day of retreat, which will take place on **Saturday, October 17, from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.** at St. Patrick’s Parish Center (708 W. Main St., Urbana). For program details see [www.stpaturbana.org](http://www.stpaturbana.org) or the announcement on the bulletin board downstairs or contact Laura Theby at 531-7003. There is a modest charge of \$5 per half day and \$5 for the vegetarian lunch. **Registration deadline is Monday, October 12.**

*Mark Your Calendars*

**Sunday, October, 18th, 6:00-7:30pm** - Second discernment evening, with focus on personal storytelling and group Bible study. All regular attendees high school age and older are encouraged to participate in this important group process. See the letter in your mailboxes for details. **If childcare is needed, please let the church office know by Wednesday (October 14<sup>th</sup>) noon.**

**Sunday, October 18<sup>th</sup>** - Parables is an eight student worship team from Goshen College. The group offers an eclectic blend of music and drama on the theme of "Wherever you go, there you are; and God is present." Reuben Sancken is a member of the team. **We are asked to provide housing for the group Saturday evening and lunch on Sunday. Please let the church office know if you are willing to host a couple of students overnight. Is there a Sunday School class or small group that might wish to host the Sunday lunch at noon. Thank you for giving attention to this request for hospitality.**

**Monday, October 19<sup>th</sup>** - Women’s Night Out, 6:00pm at Dos Reales (1407 N. Prospect)

**Tuesday, October 20<sup>th</sup>** - Men’s Night Out, 6:00pm at Dos Reales (1407 N. Prospect)  
Come and enjoy Mexican food as you catch up with old friends and get acquainted with new ones. Please sign up at the fellowship table in the basement. Contact Rosalee Otto or Dannie Otto for further details.

**Our Fall Work Day will be October 24<sup>th</sup> from 8:00am-noon.** Come and help with projects around the church as we prepare for winter.