

## WELCOME TO



FIRST MENNONITE CHURCH  
of Champaign-Urbana

*Following Christ.  
Nurturing Community.  
Seeking Peace with Justice.*

## TODAY AFTER WORSHIP

FELLOWSHIP HOUR – 10:30 am  
(Location: fenced lawn west of FMC)

**No Education Classes in August**

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# Celebration *of* Worship

August 29, 2021

**Centering chimes**

**Prelude**

*\*Call to worship in unison (Voices Together #857)*

**\*Voices Together #101**

“Sing Praise to God Who Reigns”

**Welcome & prayer**

**Children’s story and offering (through TODAY) for the Crisis Nursery**

Congregation sings as children come forward (Voices Together #512)

**Backpack blessing & Third Grade Bible presentation**

**Scripture**

James 1:17-27

**Sermon**

**\*Voices Together #568**

“Christ Has No Body Here but Ours”

**Offertory and prayer** (*please place offerings in the baskets by the doors as you leave at the end of the service*)

**Congregational sharing and prayer** (*please text or email prayers and announcements to Pastor Deb or Pastor Michael*)

**Work of the church**

**\*Voices Together #841**

“As You Go Out from Here”

**\*Benediction**

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*\*Stand if you are able*

## We welcome, without exclusion...

all who seek God's love and grace. You are welcome here, inclusive of gender, race, country of origin, ethnicity, sexual orientation, sexual identity, socioeconomic status, family status, past imprisonment, education, citizenship status, political affiliation, physical or mental abilities. We encourage you to share in the rituals, fellowship and ministry of this congregation.

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Hearing devices (T-coil and over-ear) and large print hymnals are available from the greeters.

Childcare (birth – preschool) is not currently being provided.

## AFTER WORSHIP

Join us in the fenced lawn west of the church after worship. You may bring your own beverage to drink.



## FMC EVENTS THIS WEEK

### TODAY

Worship 9:15am  
Fellowship on lawn 10:30am  
Congregational meeting on lawn 11am

### WEDNESDAY

Library Committee @ FMC 10am  
Property & Finance Cmte (zoom) 5pm

### THURSDAY

Early Morning Bible Study (zoom) 7am  
Racial Justice Working Group (zoom) 3pm



Scan or visit [www.fmc-cu.org/events](http://www.fmc-cu.org/events) for details on upcoming events.

**Congregational Discussion of Sanctuary Chair Proposal | TODAY | 11am | FMC green space**

**No worship at FMC or online next Sunday, September 5, because of the FMC retreat.**

**Worship resumes in the FMC green space on September 12 and will remain outdoors for the foreseeable future.** When the weather seems inclement on a given Sunday, a decision will be made early that morning whether to move the service online and an email will be sent by 8 am informing you that the service will be online only.

**Starting on September 12, Kids' Corner for children birth - grade school will be held during fellowship in a corner of the green space.** This will be a 20-30 minute time of telling a Bible story and simple activity. Andrea Welty Peachey will do music with the children outdoors on the 2nd Sunday of the month during the Kids' Corner. When the weather is inclement, Kids' Corner will be canceled.

**No adult Sunday school is planned for Fall at this time.**

**Baby shower for Lincoln Morris & Allyson Polman | Sunday, September 12 at 6:30 pm | FMC green space**

They have suggested gifts of children's books.

### FMC Fellowship Picnics | Late September & early October

Due to COVID, the Hospitality and Fellowship Committee is coordinating people to host fellowship picnics. Some of you will be called to host a fellowship picnic in your neighborhood. Hosts will be given a list of 8-10 people in their neighborhood and are asked to choose a date and time, invite the people on the list, ask for an RSVP, and let those coming know what they can bring.

### Help provide relief in Haiti | MCC donations can be made at [mcc.org/haiti-earthquake](http://mcc.org/haiti-earthquake).

The 7.2 magnitude earthquake killed at least 1,300 people and injured many more. Thousands are sleeping outside, with little food and no protection from the elements. Your gifts will help MCC provide emergency support.

## THANK YOU TO THOSE WHO HELPED WITH TODAY'S SERVICE:

Greeters: Kate Falk & Karen McKenzie  
Worship Leader/Scripture Reader: Keith Springer  
Song Leader: Pastor Deb  
Pianist: Ruth Stoltzfus  
Children's Story: Randy Nelson  
Sermon, Sharing & Prayer: Pastor Michael  
Announcements: Pastor Deb  
Offertory: Kristy Rice  
Sound System & Tech: Laurence Koehn & Phil Martens  
Stewards: Clark Breeze & Tammie Bouseman

## SEPTEMBER AT FMC:

### September 5

FMC retreat at Menno Haven. No online worship or worship service at FMC building.

### September 12

Outdoor worship at FMC resumes.  
Season of Creation: Humanity Sunday  
Guest preacher: Cindy Shepherd, Faith in Place

### September 19

Season of Creation: Sky Sunday

### September 26

Season of Creation: Mountain Sunday