

GATHERING

Prelude to Worship

Welcome and Announcements

Interlude

Candle Lighting

* Call to Worship

We are children of God and brothers and sisters
to one another.

We are a family of faith.

But like the people of faith we find in the Bible,
we find family life to be a complex thing:
conflicts, disagreements, and even jealousy affect
our human relationships.

**So we come to worship acknowledging all of our baggage,
yet grateful that God chooses us and works through us.**

* Opening Prayer

* Hymn *God is here among us* HWB 16

Prayer of Confession

***Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.***

Words of Assurance

The good news is that Christ calls us to new life and enables
us to begin again and again and again and again.
Friends, believe the good news of the gospel.

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

PROCLAIMING

Scripture Reading Genesis 25:19-34

Hymn *You are salt for the earth* HWB 226

Scripture Reading Romans 8:1-11

Sermon

RESPONDING

* Hymn *How can we be silent* STJ 61

Offering and Offertory

Sharing Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

SENDING

* Hymn *You shall go out with joy* HWB 427

* Benediction

Postlude

* *All who are able are invited to stand where indicated.
Our worship ends after the postlude; please remain seated.*

HWB – blue hymnal STS – purple hymnal STJ – green hymnal

*Preacher: Steve Carter Worship Leader: Darren Newcomer
Accompanist: John Gamin*

Welcome to First Mennonite Church If you are new here today, we're glad you can worship with us. No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey, we welcome you!

Woman's Poolside Bible Study: Tuesday's at 7:00pm at the Croyle's house. "Faith Travels--Trusting God in Life's Transitions" by Marlene Kropf. This study focuses on how we experience God's presence during the transitions in our lives. We will travel through the Old Testament with those who trusted God along their journey and also read stories and prayers from ancient Celtic Christians that connect with the biblical story. Please bring your Bible and a stone with you--any size.

Wednesday 6:00pm you are invited to a **Fellowship Meal** in the Fellowship Hall. Bring a potluck dish to share as we become better acquainted in a casual setting. Worship Team will follow.

The Salvation Army is asking for **donations of Peanut Butter and Jelly** during the month of July. If you bring donations to church we will make weekly trips to take the donations to the Salvation Army. Please keep in mind that kids prefer creamy peanut butter and grape jelly.

We are now collecting for **MCC School Kits**. Empty fabric kits are now available in the entryway. The contents requested for each kit this year are as follows: 4 spiral notebooks (8.5"x10.5", 70 sheets), 8 unsharpened pencils, 1 ruler (flat, flexible plastic indicating both 30cm & 12"), 12 colored pencils (in package), 1 large pencil eraser. Thank you for your contributions!

Mennonite Church USA Convention 2017 (Orlando, FL) - Read articles and view photos chronicling this year's convention online at: <http://mennoniteusa.org/category/convention-news/>

*Our **MISSION** is to welcome all to know Christ's salvation through worship and works of love, peace and justice in service for God.*

THIS WEEK July 16 – July 23

TODAY 9:30am Intergenerational Sunday School
10:45am Worship Service

Tuesday 7:00pm Women's Poolside Bible Study (at Croyle's)

Wednesday 6:00pm Potluck Fellowship Meal – all are welcome!
7:00pm Worship Team

Thursday *Announcements & calendar items for Sunday due by NOON to: chrischamberlin99@yahoo.com*

Sunday 9:30am Sunday School TBA
10:45am Worship Service

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