

Follow Jesus; Mature in Faith; Carry the Good News  
At First Mennonite Church

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**Serving Today:**

Pastor: Josh Janzen	Worship Leader: Rodney Ensz
Pianists: Kathy Casey & Jan Reimer	Children's Story: Christina Lyons
Greeters: Needed	PPT: Katie Jantzen
Live Stream: Kathy Casey	Audio: Doug Casey
Ushers: Brad Thimm & Bryan Heinz	Hosts: John & Zella Penner

**Last Sunday:** Offerings: FMC \$2,135; WDC \$50.00

Attendance: 42

**Offering today:** FMC; Next Sunday: Mother to Mother Ministries

**Happening this week:**

Sunday, February 5	9:30 a.m. Sunday School for All 10:30 a.m. Worship
Tuesday, February 7	1:30 WMS Quilting & Tying 6 p.m. Men's Brotherhood Reorganization meeting at Val's
Wednesday, February 8 Feb 10-12	6:30 p.m. Peace Club & JYF Young Married's Retreat
Sunday, February 12	9:30 a.m. Adult Sunday School only 10:30 a.m. Worship

**February Birthdays**

2: Doug Casey	4: Jim Ensz
7: Bryan Heinz	9: Ross Reimer
11: Bonnie Jantzen	15: Nick Funk, Gerald Jantzen
16: Samantha Tegtmeier	26: Elijah VanderSchaaf

- Ask an usher for assistance with a **hearing device**.
- **We collect** Sun Mart receipts, Best Choice labels & used cards/envelopes
- **Food Pantry:** Please put items in the narthex box or give cash donations to Dolores Jantzen.
- **Shop at smile.amazon.com** to support Mother to Mother Ministries with your Amazon purchases!
- If you would like a **PDF of the church directory** for your phone, please contact the office.

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**First Mennonite Church; 6714 W. State Hwy. 4, Beatrice, NE 68310**

**Pastor:** Josh Janzen; 402-228-2052; pastorjosh@fmcbeatrice.org

**Church Office:** 402-251-7180

**Website:** fmcbeatrice.org **Church email:** office@fmcbeatrice.org

**Deacons:** Don Esau (402-223-9210), Vicki Hinz-Ensz (402-239-4174), Sue Gerber (402-239-8857)



**Welcome to First Mennonite Church**

*February 5, 2023*

**Welcome**

Rodney Ensz

**Call to Worship**

VT 853 adapted

L: If you are delighted to be here, and if you are tired or troubled,

**P: We are welcome here.**

L: If your faith is strong, and if your faith is battered and frail,

**P: We are welcome here.**

L: If you are eager to praise God, and if you need to be quiet,

**P: We are welcome here.**

**ALL: God welcomes us all to worship this day and promises to meet us here.**

**Prayer**

Rodney Ensz

**Hymn: "Come Away from Rush and Hurry"**

VT 9

**Children's Story**

Christina Lyons

**Hymn: "Rain Down"**

VT 703

**Moment in Mission:** Mother to Mother Ministries

Christy Loos

**Scripture:** Job 1:1-12, Job 31:35-37, Psalm 88: 1-7, 13-18

**Sermon: "When Suffering Doesn't Make Sense?"**

Pastor Josh

**Hymn: "Great is Thy Faithfulness"**

VT 419

**Sharing and Prayer**

**Sending**

**Offering for First Mennonite Church**

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**Welcome!** We're glad you're here! The service is available at <https://www.youtube.com/c/fmcbeatrice> and on FM 107.5 in our parking lot. To follow along in the bulletin, visit our website [fmcbeatrice.org](http://fmcbeatrice.org); under the More tab select Documents, then Church docs, minutes and bulletins.

**Children's Sunday School** learned about Treasurer in Heaven in Matthew 19:16-30. *We can question wealth and earthly possessions.* There will be **no Children's Sunday School next Sunday**, February 12.

The church office has a **new phone number: 402-251-7180**. For time sensitive matters, please contact Vicki at 402-239-5312.

Pastor Josh is presenting a **four week series** entitled "**I Wonder**". He will explore and answer wonderings/questions submitted by congregation members regarding anything Biblical. Plan to be here for this interesting series!

This week the **adult Sunday School** class will discuss chapter 8 of "Reawakened" by Glen Guyton. You're welcome to join the discussion even if you haven't read the book.

**Men's Brotherhood** will hold a reorganizational meeting on Tuesday, February 7 at Valentino's at 6:00. Please call Vern Jantzen with questions.

**Kids & Young Adults!** Plan now to come to a work day for ages 2-20 on Saturday, March 25, 9 a.m. to noon **to enjoy donuts and assemble items for the MCC Sale**. We'll work at the workshop just south of Rodney and Shana Ensz's place. Please contact Jim Ensz with questions.

**Peace Club & JYF** meet on Wednesdays from 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. through April 5 when Prayer Partners will attend too.

**Greeters are needed for February!** Pick a Sunday to open the door and greet your friends as they come to church.

**MCC Sale Quilt Update** –Online quilt registration is now available. Quilts must be registered and online by March 5, 2023 so they can be printed in the sale guide. Pictures are appreciated as they will be displayed on the website before the sale. Quilts submitted after this date will not be listed in the quilt guides or online, but will still be sold after all cataloged quilts or may be held over for next year's auction. MCC Sale is March 31-April 1!

**A thoughtful conversation about poverty** in our community will take place on Wed, Feb 8 from 9-noon at the Beatrice Public Library. Come to hear about the work currently being done, the current state of poverty in our community, and share your own observations. If you would like to attend or have questions, please contact Katie Jantzen.

Please continue to **send pictures** of Sunday school, 2022 VBS, Christmas program and practice, camp, MDS work, MCC sale, Burwood Bookstore, church picnic, etc. for possible use in the directory to Dolores Jantzen, Zella Penner or the church office.

**Camp Mennoscah** ([campmennoscah.org](http://campmennoscah.org); 620-297-3290)

- Spring **Scrapbook and Craft Retreat** March 10-12 and March 17-19. Registration now! \$175 per person.
- **Summer Youth Camp Registration** is open.
- **Youth Volunteer Weekend is March 24-25!** Youth in Grades 6-12 are invited to come to this retreat focused on worship and service. The retreat begins on Friday at 7pm with registration followed by snacks, games, and campfire. Rachel and Isaac, the Senior High program directors, will lead activities. [Register in the Summer Youth Camp section by adding a person or session](#), if you have already registered for camp.

**MCC and MCUSA webinar series, *Beyond incarceration: A hard look at dismantling the prison system and building healthy communities***, will show the ways the faith community is actively understanding and working against complex prison systems. Webinars are Feb. 7 & 21, March 7 & 21 at 6:30 p.m. CST. Learning tours will follow. **Registration link: [mcc.org/beyond-incarceration-webinars](http://mcc.org/beyond-incarceration-webinars)**

Registration will open on March 1 for **MennoCon23, Kansas City, MO July 3-6**. Subscribe to MC USA's PeaceMail newsletter for updates



**Annual Study Series February 19!** Speaker for the three sessions will be Pastor Trey Ferguson, founder of RFX Ministries, an online ministry to reach people

where they spend the most time. The first session is at FMC during Sunday school at 9:30am. The second session will be at FMC at 10:30 a.m. with Pastor Trey sharing the message. The final session will be at Summit Street Church at 7 p.m.



**Kiwanis Pancake Feed** to benefit the many children's programs in our community of Beatrice, next Sunday, **February 12**, 7:30 am – 1 pm at the Veteran's Club, 701 Dorsey St, Beatrice. Adults \$9, children age 4-12, \$5. Age 3 and under eat free.

**Ellis United Methodist Church Pancake meal** with sausage and desserts Sunday, **February 19**, 11am – 1 pm. Free will donation.