

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

Serving Today:

Pastor: Josh Janzen Worship Leader: Brett Esau
Piano: Kathy Casey & Vicki Hinz-Ensz Hosts: Gayland & Marcia Regie
Power point: Katie Jantzen Audio: Marv Goossen
Ushers: Brandon Esau & Doug Casey Video: Jane Esau

Last Sunday Attendance: 61 **Offering:** MCC \$983

Today's Offering: First Mennonite Church **Next Sunday:** FMC

Coming Up:

Sunday, June 29 9:30 am Adult Sunday School only
 10:30 am Worship
Tuesday, July 1 1:30 pm WMS Quilting & Tying
Sunday, July 6 9:30 am Adult Sunday School
 10:30 am Worship

Late June Birthdays:

20: Gayland Regier 22: Rikki Hohensee

27: Deb Goossen

July Birthdays:

5: Grace Tegtmeier 6: Leona Jantzen

7: Tracy Crawford 11: Dan Kunzman

13: Marv Goossen, Larry Thimm

14: Maria DeBloc, Mary Jane Zimmerman

18: Amanda Thimm 22: Zella Penner

25: Marjorie Epp 28: Lisa Goossen

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- Ask an usher for assistance with a **hearing device**.
 - **We collect** Best Choice labels & used cards and envelopes.
 - **Food Pantry items** go in the box in the narthex. Checks may go in the offering plate.
 - **Men's Brotherhood Project?** Contact Dan Kunzman or LeRoy Janzen.
 - Please **turn off all lights** if you are the **last to leave** the building.
 - Visit mennowdc.org to see what's new at Western District Conference.
 - **WDC Annual Assembly** August 8-9 at Hesston Mennonite Church.

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Pastors: Josh Janzen; 402-631-3481; pastorjosh@fmcbeatrice.org

Sarah Neher; 507-993-6820; sarah@fmcbeatrice.org. Her office hours are generally, Sundays & Tuesdays, 9-12; Wednesdays, 1-8; Fridays 9-2

Church Office: 402-251-7180 **Email:** office@fmcbeatrice.org

Deacons: Sue Gerber (402-239-8857), Don Esau (402-223-9210),

Vicki Hinz-Ensz (402-239-4174), **Church Chair:** Jerry Reimer (402-239-2716)

Please let the office know details of births to members or member marriages so it can be put in the bulletin and the church historical book.



Welcome to First Mennonite Church

June 29, 2025

Welcome

Call to Worship

L: Come, all who seek to follow Jesus—not just in word, but in deed.

P: We come, ready to serve, to love, to show mercy.

L: Let us remember the saints who have gone before—those who clothed others in compassion and stitched hope into weary hearts.

P: We give thanks for quiet witnesses like Tabitha, whose lives proclaimed the gospel.

L: God calls each of us—no matter our role or status—to be disciples, full of good works and acts of love.

All: We come to worship the God of resurrection, who brings new life and restores us to community. Amen.

Prayer

Hymn: "Brethren, We Have Met to Worship"

VT 25

Confession and Assurance

L: Gracious God, you call us to be your disciples—faithful in love, generous in spirit, and devoted to serving others.

P: Yet we confess that we chase recognition more than righteousness, and platforms more than presence.

L: You show us that acts of kindness reveal your heart, and that quiet service can speak louder than words.

P: But we forget the power of small faithfulness. We overlook the needs around us and withhold our gifts.

L: Forgive us, O God. Renew in us a heart like Tabitha's—steadfast in love, humble in service, full of good works.

P: Restore us by your grace, and teach us to live the resurrection life every day. Amen.

Words of Assurance

L: Hear the good news: The same power that raised Tabitha to life is the power of Christ's mercy and grace. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven, restored, and made new.

P: Thanks be to God!

L: Beloved, rise and walk in grace.

ALL: Thanks be to God! Amen.

Offering Hymn: "Christ is Our Cornerstone"

VT 4

Offering is for First Mennonite Church

Scripture Reading: Acts 9:36-42

Sermon: "A Legacy Worth Living"

Pastor Josh

Hymn: "Will You Let Me Be Your Servant?"

VT 778

Sharing and Prayer

Benediction

Sending Song: "Go Now in Peace, Worship Continues"

VT 829

Passing the Peace

Welcome to all worshiping with us here and on YouTube (search for FMCBeatrice). The bulletin is at fmcbeatrice.org under the documents tab.

Summer Faith Formation Resources to weave into your summer!

- **It's a Party!** Sign up for **virtual WDC Library Summer Story Days** for ages 3-8 at forms.gle/8DnWnLs64VkJoeB6.
- **"Follow the Peace Path" Cards** are available by the mailboxes. Ideal for family time at home. 1 per family please.

2025 MCC NE MCC Golf Tournament – Saturday, July 12 at Hidden Acres Golf Course, Beatrice. Open to the Public. 9:00 a.m. shotgun start. 2-person scramble, \$140 per team with cart & lunch @ nebraskamccgolf@gmail.com.

Join us this summer as we explore the powerful stories of **women in Scripture**—courageous, faithful, complex, and often overlooked. From prophets and peacemakers to mothers and outsiders, these women bear witness to God's work in unexpected places. Each week, we'll reflect on how their lives speak to our own journeys of faith, justice, and discipleship today. Come and be inspired by the fierce grace and quiet strength found in the **Women of the Bible!**

Pastor Josh is out of the office for vacation June 30 to July 6. If you need pastoral care, please contact Pastor Sarah or the Deacons.

MC USA Convention is July 8-12. Two FMC youth will be traveling with Pastor Sarah to the Convention. Our delegates to the convention are Pastor Josh and John Regier Reimer. **Subscribe to MC USA emails to see all the Convention activities!** The resolutions are posted on their website, mennoniteusa.org. If you have any concerns about them, please talk to Pastor Josh & John Regier Reimer. If you need pastoral care July 7-12, please contact a Deacon: Sue Gerber 402-239-8857; Don Esau 402-223-9210; Vicki Hinz-Ensz 402-239-4174.

The Decorating Committee invites you to **share your garden flowers or a bouquet** from your special occasion. Contact Zella Penner if you need the bouquets brought to church or with questions.

WMS requests donations of **flat single size sheets** in blues, browns, tan, grey, or red, but **no light colors**, to use for backing comforters. They may be left in the basement on the counter. Thank you for your donations of sheets which help us show love to those who receive them!

Your prayers are invited for Doug and Kathy Casey & family at the passing of **Doug's mother, Bonna Casey**, 95, on June 20. A memorial service will be held Friday, July 18 at Centenary Methodist Church, Beatrice, at 2 p.m.

WDC Annual Assembly Aug 8-9 at Hesston Mennonite Church, Hesston, KS. Inspiring worship Friday evening and Saturday morning. If you would like to be a delegate, please talk to Jerry Reimer.

Camp Mennoscah needs a nurse for July 27-Aug. 1 (Senior High camp) and a music leader (or guitar player to help the music leader) for July 20-24, Contact Olivia at olivia.bartel@campmennoscah.org with questions or to claim a week, or call 620-297-3290.

Camp T-shirt comforter raffle and one for sale for \$500. Raffle tickets are available for purchase through Aug 3, (\$5 each or 5 for \$20) at <https://www.zeffy.com/ticketing/camp-mennoscah-t-shirt-comforter-affle>. If you want to be guaranteed to get a Camp Mennoscah tee shirt comforter, without the chance of a raffle, one is for sale for the flat price of \$500 (the amount that the past two comforters sold have raised in silent auctions). Contact us at office@campmennoscah.org or 620-297-3290.

Just Peace Pilgrimages:

Solidarity with Indigenous Peoples Pilgrimage October 7-11 to Navajo land, Bluff, Utah to engage with contemporary Indigenous realities, and explore their complex histories. \$1,050 plus travel to & from Durango, CO.

Roots of the Civil Rights Movement Pilgrimage with Glen Guyton, MC USA Ex Director Oct 28-Nov 2 through the South. The trip unites young adults (18-30) for a week of powerful storytelling, shared learning and eye-opening conversations about race and justice in our world today. Cost is \$800. Sign up now for both at MennoniteMission.net/JustPeace for either one.