

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

Serving Today: The VBS Kids and their Leaders

Pastor Josh Janzen and Pastor Sarah Music: Grace Tegtmeier
Audio/Video: Marv and Lisa Goossen Hosts: Gayland & Marci Regier
Ushers: Brandon Esau & Rick Brethouwer

Last Sunday: Attendance: 83 Offerings: MMN \$1,969; FMC \$200;
Camp Fund \$250

Today's Offering: Food Pantry **Next Sunday:** FMC

Happening this week:

Sunday, May 31 10:30 am VBS Program during worship
Tuesday, June 2 1:30 pm WMS Quilting & Tying
 5:00 pm Shep Grp 2 serves Warrens Table
Sunday, June 7 10:30 am Baptism Service at Baade's Pond

June Birthdays:

3: Dorothy Zimmerman 4: Missionary Dave Stutzman
8: Neal Trantham 16: Van Vanderschaaf, Kollyns Hohensee
19: Judy Lichti 20: Gayland Regier
22: Rikki Hohensee 27: Debbie Goossen

- Ask an usher for assistance with a **hearing device**.
- **We collect** Best Choice labels & used cards and envelopes.
- **Food Pantry** items may go in box in the narthex. Cash donations may be given to Dolores Jantzen.
- Have a project for Men's Brotherhood? Contact Dan Kunzman or LeRoy Janzen.
- Our service is on <https://www.youtube.com/c/fmcbeatrice> and heard on FM 107.5 in our parking lot. The bulletin is at fmcbeatrice.org, under the More tab; select documents; church docs, minutes & bulletins.

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Go to www.mennowdc.org for Western District Conference news.

Welcome to First Mennonite Church

May 31, 2026 Vacation Bible School Program



Welcome & VBS Recap

Linsey Schardt

Opening Prayer

Song: "Down in My Heart"

VBS Kid

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Song: "Somlandela"

VBS Kids

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Offering Challenge: Community Food Pantry

Laura Williamson

Scripture & Message

Pastor Josh

John 14:12; Acts 1:3; Acts 2:2-4; Acts 2:7-12, Acts 2:38-39

Song: "Good, Good Father"

VBS Kids

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Song: "Fruits of the Spirit"

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The Week in Pictures

Theme Song: "Roll with You"

VBS Kids

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Sharing and Prayer

Pastor Josh

Blessing

Pastor Josh

Sending Song: "Your Way's Better"

VBS Kids

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Worship Offering Challenge Reveal

Laura Williamson

Our Memory Verse: *Jesus spoke to the people again. He said, "I am the light of the world. Anyone who follows me will never walk in darkness. They will have that light. They will have life." John 8:12*

Welcome to all worshipping with us here and on YouTube. For easy access, bookmark this link: www.youtube.com/c/fmcbeatrice and “Like” it and subscribe. The bulletin is at fmcbeatrice.org under the documents tab.

Baptisms will take place next Sunday, June 7th, 10:30 am, at the Baade farm. (58135 722nd Rd., Plymouth). Please bring a folding chair and dress comfortably. If you have a new FMC shirt, you are encouraged to wear it. During the service, we will walk to the pond for the baptisms. Alternative transportation will be available for those who need assistance.

Do you have a **favorite Bible verse** you would love to hear preached on? **My summer sermon series** is focused on favorite Bible verses, exploring what those beloved verses mean in the context of the whole chapter and story of Scripture. Submit your verse suggestions during the next weeks and into the summer! You can email, text, call, or write them down and place them in the offering plate. I look forward to hearing what Scripture has been meaningful to you. - Pastor Josh

If you'd like to contribute to **help 7 FMC Youth** attend a Mennonite camp this summer, please put a check in the offering plate with Camp Fund on the memo line.

Beatrice Farmer's Market: Thursdays, thru October 8, 4-6:30 pm, 6th & High St. Kids can earn POP\$ to spend at the market!

Diapers size 3,4,& 5, and wipes for NE Early Childhood Development may be left in the box in the coat closet. Questions? Talk to Shana Ensz.

A congregational meeting will be held on September 13, 2026 following worship to explain Constitutional changes to be voted on at the annual meeting in January 2027. No voting will be done at the Sept meeting.

Join 'United Women in Faith' at Centenary UMC June 4 at 9:30 a.m. (Meal is \$10). Program is “Back to the Beach.” A Century of Fashion. RSVP by noon June 2nd to centenaryumc29@gmail.com or 402-223-3424.

VBS Offering Project is for the Community Food Pantry. We asked students/families to bring items for the pantry or cash throughout the week. We collected 246 food items and \$281.07 in monetary donations equaling 808 points! Great job kids! Because the goal of 800 points was met, Pastor Josh had a hot experience during VBS Friday morning! Pictures will show! Laura Williamson will issue a challenge to the congregation during the service this morning!



Vacation Bible School “Kingdom Quest”

VBS couldn't happen without our many volunteers! Thank You!

VBS Committee:

Linsey Schardt, Laura Williamson, Dan Kunzman

Worship Leaders:

Pastor Josh, Pastor Sarah, Shana Ensz

Music Leaders:

Grace Tegtmeier, Erin VanderSchaaf

Crew Leaders: Judy Jantzen, Lori Thimm, Vicki Hinz-Ensz

Rotational Leaders: Paula Heinz, Darcy Esau, Cara Esau, Amanda Thimm, Jane Esau, Jacob Janzen, Laura Williamson, Debbie Goossen, Doreen Janzen, Barb Thimm, Pastor Josh.

Snack Leaders:

Kathy Casey, Anita Reimer.

Thank you to all who gave donations, cookies & bars!

Decorating:

Zella Penner, Cara Esau, Laura Williamson, Linsey Schardt, Dan Kunzman, Amanda Thimm, Kathy Thimm

JYF/SYF Helpers:

Brendan Thimm, Riley & Schardt, Miles Esau, Maddox Bent, Eli & Jude VanderSchaaf, Rikki & Kollyns Hohensee, Denise Jantzen

Technology/Sound:

Pastor Sarah, Dan Kunzman

Pizza Party Donation:

Marv & Lisa Goossen

Our Bible Stories, Key Questions, and Bottom Line Truths:

Tuesday: Jesus Calls His Disciples. Who is Jesus? Jesus is the Way!

Wednesday: Jesus Walks on Water. Where is Jesus when things get rough? Jesus is with me!

Thursday: Jesus' Crucifixion & Resurrection. What is the greatest thing anyone has ever done for me? Jesus is Alive!

Friday: Pentecost and the Early Church. How can I share the Good News? The Holy Spirit Helps Me!

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