

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

Serving Today: Sermon: Pastor Josh Janzen
Worship Leader: Rodney Ensz Pianist: Vicki Hinz-Ensz
Hosts: Don & Judy Jantzen Power point: Lori Thimm
Audio: Larry Thimm Video: Henry Trantham
Ushers: Brandon Esau & Jim Ensz Kid's Time: Grace Tegtmeier

Last Sunday Attendance: 108 **Offering:** WDC: \$2094; FMC \$200;
Meat Canning \$250.

Today's Offering: FMC **Next Sunday:** Mission Partners, Stutzmans

Coming Up this Week:

Sunday, Nov 16	9:30 am Youth & Adult Sunday School Baptism Class
	10:30 am Worship with Ivan Reimer Dedication
Tuesday, Nov 18	1:30 pm WMS Quilting & Tying
Wednesday, Nov 19	6:30 pm Peace Club, SYF @ FMC JYF @ Burwood Books
Thursday, Nov 20	7:00 pm Church Board meets
Sunday, Nov 23	9:30 am Adult Sunday School only 10:30 am Worship

November Birthdays:

2: Immanuel Stutzman	3: Brad Thimm
5: Becky Riesen	14: Ivan Reimer
18: Kathy Casey, Katie Jantzen	24: Linsey Schardt
27: Nathanael Stutzman	29: Lesley Trantham, Aaron Jantzen
30: Don Diller	

*You can find our services on YouTube (search for FMCBeatrice).

The bulletin is at fmcbeatrice.org under documents.

*If you use the **nursery**, please clean up after using it. Thanks!

*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 for the food pantry may go in the offering plate.

***Men's Brotherhood Project?** Contact Dan Kunzman or LeRoy Janzen.

*Last to leave the church? Please **turn off all lights!**

*Visit mennowdc.org to see what's new at Western District Conference.

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



Welcome to First Mennonite Church
November 16, 2025

Welcome

Call to Worship

L: Give thanks to God, who is good!

P: God's love is everlasting.

L: Come let us praise God joyfully.

P: Let us come to God with thanksgiving.

ALL: Let us worship our God together.

Prayer

Hymn 419: "Great is Thy Faithfulness"

Prayer of Thanksgiving

L: For the church universal, and for this congregation of your people,

P: Thank you, God.

L: For this place in which we gather for the praise and prayer, witness and service in the name of Jesus Christ,

P: Thank you, God.

L: For disciples young and old, who have been nurtured here in faith,

P: Thank you, God.

L: For the faithful who have led and loved us, and by the offering of their gifts, equipped us all for the work of ministry,

P: Thank you, God.

L: For the ministries of worship and mission, nurture and fellowship, and for all whose lives have been touched by them,

P: Thank you, God.

L: For all the saints who have stood among us; whose memory still enlivens our faith and emboldens our witness,

P: Thank you, God.

L: Receive our gratitude, Holy God, for the years through which you have led us, and open us to the future of your promise.

All: Give thanks to God, who is Good! For God's love is everlasting!

Hymn 120: "For the Beauty of the Earth"

(Offering is for First Mennonite Church)

Dedication of Ivan Oak Regier Reimer

Deacon Sue Gerber

Prayer

Parental Sharing and Vows

Congregational Vows

P: As members of your congregation, we are the Christian community into which Ivan has been born. Your children are our children. We celebrate the gift of family, and with joy we commit ourselves to share in your and Ivan's nurture and well-being. We will support – by our words and example – your efforts to provide a loving and caring home, where trust in God grows, and Christ's way is chosen. We pray that our shared life and witness will help make your task as parents both joyful and fruitful and that you can continue to grow in faithfulness as a family.

Act of Consecration

Congregational Blessing:

L: First Mennonite Church, this is Ivan.

P: The Lord bless you and keep you!

Children's Story

Scripture: Luke 17:11-19

Sermon: "The Act of Noticing"

Pastor Josh Janzen

Hymn 70: "Praise God"

Sharing and Prayer

Benediction

Hymn 829: "Go Now in Peace, Worship Continues"

Passing the Peace

Welcome! We're glad you're here and hope to see you again!

Pastor Josh & Steph are overjoyed to share the news that **our daughter, Dorothea Mae Janzen, was born** on Wednesday, November 12. Both mom and baby are doing wonderfully, and we're so thankful for your prayers, love, and support through this season. We also wanted to share a little about her name: Both her first and middle name honor members of her family who have come before her. Dorothea, meaning "Gift of God" is an inversion of her great grandfather's name, Theodore. Her middle name Mae is one that she shares with two of her great grandmothers. We're grateful to God for this precious gift and can't wait for you all to meet her!

Pastor Josh is out of the office on parental leave from November 12 - December 10 and will not be reachable during that time. For church matters or assistance please reach out the church office at office@fmcbeatrice.org , 402-251-7180, or Pastor Sarah (507-993-6820).

. All ladies and girls are invited to **the WMS Christmas Brunch** on Saturday, December 6, 2025 at 11:00 AM in the Fellowship Hall at First Mennonite Church. We are very excited to have Cassie Klingenberg share with us.

Operation Christmas Child Boxes are due today! Please return them to the church. If you have any questions, please contact Linsey Schardt or Lori Thimm. We thank you for demonstrating God's love in a tangible way to children in need around the world.

Our banner "Nun danket alle Gott" means "Now thank we all our God."

Sock and Underwear Drive through November 26 by Mother to Mother. Donations of **new** children's socks and underwear through size 7/8 can be dropped off at Mother to Mother/Burwood Books.

Kent Hohensee has shown incredible resilience and progress in his rehabilitation at Madonna! Texts of support can be sent to 402-239-8632!

Beatrice Farmers Market's Fall Farmers Market & Brunch Buffet - Sunday, November 23, 10 am to 2 pm at Vintage Venue. See Katie Jantzen to purchase tickets for the local food brunch buffet. Admission to the indoor farmers market is free. Support local farmers, bakers, & makers and celebrate the fall harvest!

St. Paul's Lutheran School & Child Care's 2nd Annual "Blessings of the Harvest Dinner and Auction" is Saturday, Nov 22 at the Vintage Venue. Tickets are \$50 per person, of which \$25 is tax deductible. Tickets are available at St. Paul's School & Church. Call 402-223-3414.

The Community Food Pantry struggles to keep shelves full this time of year with additional community family needs. Please consider donating food, hygiene items, or money to them.