



Renewal through Trust and Yieldedness

February 9, 2025

First Mennonite - Hutchinson KS

GATHERED IN GRACE

Prelude ... *the Peace Lamp and Christ Candle are lit as a reminder of our longing for the Light of Christ to be our source and guide.*

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship (based on Proverbs 3:5-8)

Leader: Gathered siblings, may we learn to trust in the Lord with our whole hearts!

People: **No more will we rely solely on our intelligence.**

ALL: *We will trust in the Lord!*

With wholehearted resolve, we will employ our minds and our intelligence in service of the Lord.

Leader: Brothers and sisters, may we come to know the Lord in all our paths;

People: **for it is the Lord who will keep our ways straight.**

Leader: Trusting in the Lord will mean
we're not puffed up with our wisdom.

**People: We will trust in the Lord.
We will not be puffed up with our
rightness or wisdom,
but in fear and awe of the Lord,
we will turn away from evil.**

*ALL: Then our bodies will be healthy,
and our bones will be strengthened. Thanks be to God.*

Prayer

HYMN *When We Walk With the Lord* VT 570

Fellowship Greeting – Sharing the Peace of Christ
(stand to share the peace of Christ with those around you)

ROOTED IN GOD'S WORD

HYMN *I Saw a Tree by the Riverside* VT 514

Responsive Reading – Jeremiah 17:5-8 (CEB)

Leader: The Lord proclaims:
Cursed are those who trust in mere humans,
who depend on human strength
and turn their hearts from the Lord.

**People: They will be like a desert shrub
that doesn't know when relief comes.
They will live in the parched places of the
wilderness, in a barren land where
no one survives.**

Leader: Happy are those who trust in the Lord,
who rely on the Lord.

**People: They will be like trees planted by the streams,
whose roots reach down to the water.
They won't fear drought when it comes;
their leaves will remain green.
They won't be stressed in the time of drought,
or fail to bear fruit.**

Children's Time

Scripture *Matthew 18:1-5; John 15:1-10*

Sermon

Music for Meditation

... with opportunity to remember or anticipate your baptism

HYMN *God, Be the Love* VT 43

CONNECTED IN PRAYER

Prayers of the People & Lord's Prayer

SENT WITH GOOD NEWS TO SHARE

HYMN *There's No One In This World Like Jesus* VT 68

Benediction (VT 1066)

Postlude

If you need a hearing assist device, please ask at the sound booth in the back of the sanctuary.

The Nursery is typically staffed with a volunteer care provider during worship (and Sunday School as needed). Children are also welcome to remain in the sanctuary! Worship bags with drawing/coloring materials are provided at the back of the sanctuary.

Photo on front of bulletin: "Baptism" Stained Glass Window/FMC Sanctuary

Sound: Adam Pounds
Livestream: Joel Iwashige
Ushers: Cheryl Warkentin & Russell Goering
Nursery: Diane Ziemer
Pianist: Peggy Stucky
Worship Leader: Jon Miller
Scripture Reader: Sadie Pritchett, Heidi Unruh
Song Leader: Trae Gehring
Children's Time: Susan Combs
Sermon: Tonya Ramer Wenger

Welcome!

We are so glad you all are here!!

*Your offerings are received, with gratitude,
in the offering box on the table at the back of the sanctuary
or electronically on our website.
Thank you for your generosity shown in many ways!*

TODAY:

Fellowship with drinks in Common Grounds Room

Sunday School for all ages at 11:00am

Pick up your (pre-ordered) Super Bowl Subs TODAY after worship!!

LOOKING AHEAD:

- **Next Sunday – final Anabaptism @ 500 Sunday**, with Communion
- **March 3, 4 & 5 – MCC Comforter Blitz** at the Journey Facilities (Yoder)
- **March 5 – Ash Wednesday evening worship** (watch for details)
- **March 9 – First Sunday of Lent**
- **April 11-12 – Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale**, call Jerry Toews (620-367-8257) if you have donations of cars, trucks, motorcycles, campers, tractors, farm machinery, etc.

Valentines for our college students . . send a card and/or make a small contribution to send them a small gift. Check out the table in the foyer.

Will you be attending college in fall? Please check with Pastor Tonya or Susan Combs about scholarship opportunities.

Tax-deductible contributions to FMC: If you would like a copy of your contributions for 2024, call Mike Dirks directly 620-474-1224.

REJOICE! and **Upper Room** devotional books are available above the mailboxes. You are invited to take one to give focus to your personal/family devotional times.

Exciting Summer Internship Opportunities with MCC! Grow professionally while engaging in work that matters. Don't miss out—learn more and apply today! <https://mccglobal.my.site.com/MCCJobs/s/>

If you'd like to be added to **our all-church email list** to receive prayer requests and announcements (typically 2 emails/week), please contact the church office or Pastor Tonya.



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Arms Wide Open: To Serve & Be Served

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