



More Stories of God at Work

July 20, 2025
First Mennonite Church

GATHERING & PRAISING

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship *(based on verses from Psalm 25:1-9)*

L: Come, lift up your hearts to the Lord!

ALL: To You, O Lord, we lift up our hearts!

In You we trust!

Do not let us be put to shame.

L: Our God is full of compassionate love.

He brings sinners back to His way,

and teaches the humble the way they should go.

**ALL: Show us the right path, O Lord;
point out the way for us to follow.
Lead us by Your truth, and teach us,
for You are the God who saves.
We put our hope in You!**

HYMN *Morning Has Broken* VT 495

Passing the Peace – Fellowship Greeting
Greet those around you with the peace of Christ!

HYMN *Seek Ye First* VT 417

HEARING STORIES OF GOD AT WORK

Children's Time

HYMN *Great is Thy Faithfulness* VT 419

Lighting the Peace Lamp
Peace Essay

Scripture Reading: *Acts 1:3b-8* (First Nations Version)
Meditation

Music for Meditation

Prayers of the People & Lord's Prayer

SENT TO JOIN IN GOD'S GOOD WORK

HYMN *I Want Jesus to Walk With Me* VT 306

Benediction

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.

Sound: Earl Ediger & Allen Yoder
Livestream: Jonathan Wenger
Ushers: Ken Neufeld & Carol Moore
Nursery: Martha Miller
Pianist: Russell Goering
Worship Leader: Pastor Tonya Ramer Wenger
Song Leader: Pauline Buller
Scripture Reader: Delon Martens
Children's Time: Julie Goering
Meditation: Joy Miller
Peace Essay: Mya Cook

A Prayer of Unknowing (by Thomas Merton)

My Lord God, I have no idea where I am going. I do not see the road ahead of me. I cannot know for certain where it will end. Nor do I really know myself, and the fact that I think I am following Your will does not mean that I am actually doing so. But I believe that the desire to please You does in fact please You. And I hope I have that desire in all that I am doing. I hope that I will never do anything apart from that desire. And I know that, if I do this, You will lead me by the right road, though I may know nothing about it. Therefore I will trust You always though I may seem to be lost and in the shadow of death. I will not fear, for You are ever with me, and You will never leave me to face my perils alone. Amen.

Thomas Merton, Thoughts in Solitude, page 79

TODAY:

Text prayer requests to Pastor Tonya @ 620.513.2828

Offerings to support FMC mission and ministry are received in the offering box at the back, or on our website.

Fellowship time with drinks following worship in Common Grounds room

Sunday School today . . . join us on July 20 and 27 for lively discussions for all ages beginning at 11:00am. Children meet in the room near the ping pong table downstairs.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- **July 21 – M&M's meet @ 6:30pm** (at FMC) to go mini-golfing
- **July 26 – FMC serves at the Soup Kitchen**
- **July 29-August 3 – Pastor Tonya's final sabbatical week away**
- **August 10 & 24 - Summer Sunday School** for all ages
- **August 10 – Back to School blessing** in worship
- **August 10 – Baptism of Hannah Nisly and Adrianna Peach @ Camp Mennoscah** – gather in the shelter attached to the main building by 6:00pm for a brief baptism service followed by fellowship time. All are invited!

July 26—Soup Kitchen volunteers are needed. Please sign up on the sheets in the foyer.

FMC's fiscal year is nearing the end of the third quarter. Together, as a congregation, we own the decisions we make at our annual budget meeting, to support our ministries – maintaining our facilities and grounds, compensating our paid staff, supporting our corporate life of worship and faith formation, and reaching out to the community close at hand and around the world. We join together to provide funding for our shared commitments and invite on-going support as we look toward the end of our fiscal year on October 31.



Arms Wide Open: To Serve & Be Served

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