



***Obstacles to Seeing God at
Work & Joining In:
The Healed Man & Jesus***

August 24, 2025

First Mennonite Church

WE GATHER & PRAISE

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship*

From the corners of the world,
From the confusion of life,
From the loneliness of our hearts,
GATHER US, O GOD.

To feed our minds,
To fire our imagination,
To free our hearts,
GATHER US, O GOD.

HYMN *Here in This Place* VT 10
Passing the Peace – Fellowship Greeting
Greet those around you with the peace of Christ!

HYMN *In the Rifted Rock I'm Resting* VT 619

WE HEAR GOD'S STORY

Children's Time

HYMN *Like a Rock* VT 63

Scripture Reading: *John 9:24-41*

Sermon

Music for Meditation

WE OFFER OUR PRAYERS

Prayers of the People & Lord's Prayer (VT 989B with "sins")

WE GO TO LIVE INTO GOD'S STORY

HYMN *Bwana awabariki (May God Grant You a Blessing)* VT 845

Benediction

Postlude

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*Call to Worship: from [The Pattern of Our Days](#) (The Iona Community)

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: Shane Miller
Livestream: Jay Gehring
Ushers: Dennis and Jennalee Boggs
Nursery: Donna Davis
Pianist: Peggy Stucky
Percussionist: Stephanie Gehring
Worship Leader: Jake Myers
Scripture Reader: Randy Rempel
Children's Time: Lona Willems
Song Leader: Bryan Kehr
Sermon: Eldon Wagler
Prayers of the People: Pastor Jim Unruh

Western District Conference Women in Mission Women's and Girls' Retreat is September 6-7 at Camp Mennoscah. Look for the schedule and registration information on the table in the foyer. Registration is due August 29.

Reno County Food Bank donations for August: Peanut Butter

September: Canned Meat/Tuna

Camp Mennoscah Fall Scrapbook and Crafts Retreat is October 10-12. Watch for details at

<https://www.campmennoscah.org/>

Mennonite Migration film to be part of Salt City Film Fest – September 25. As part of the Salt City Film Fest in Hutchinson at the Fox Theater Sept 25-27, the film "Where the Cottonwoods Grow" by Dale Hildebrand (Canada) will be shown at 7 pm on Thursday, September 25th. Tickets are \$5. The film tells the story of the Mennonite migration from Ukraine and Russia to North America. This is the same film that Kauffman Museum earlier sponsored for screening at Bethel College. Put this event on your calendar!

MCC RECYCLING INFO. Check the bulletin board in the foyer for new options to recycle books and soft plastics, as well as clothing, shoes and purses/bags at the Newton center. Remember that FMC offers the brown bins in our parking lot for paper, newspaper, cardboard, glass bottles/jars, aluminum and metal cans, plastic bottles and juice and food containers.

TODAY:

Text prayer requests to Pastor Jim at 620-921-0314

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

Fellowship time with drinks after worship in Common Grounds room

Sunday School for all ages

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- **August 27 – 7pm MennoCon 25 and WDC Assembly** delegate reports
- **August 31 – Assemble MCC School Kits** after worship; **stay for a church potluck beginning at 11:30am!** Bring a dish to share (label if it's gluten free, vegetarian, vegan, or has artificial sugar in it). If you can help clean up in the kitchen afterwards, please do so!
- **August 31 – Cloris Enns 90th birthday open house**, 2:00-4:00pm, 2802 Dickens, Hutchinson
- **September 7 – Fall Sunday School Quarter begins**

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL – September-November

Pick up a study guide today! Our study is entitled, "Their Story, Our Story, and God's Message," with scriptures from Genesis, Jeremiah and John's epistles. Join us in the fellowship hall.

GUESS WHO'S COMING FOR SUNDAY 5:30pm MEAL.

September 21 and October 19. You may sign up to be a host and provide a main dish, while guests will bring a side dish to share. When you sign up as a guest, you will be assigned to a host's home. Great way to get better acquainted with friends from FMC. Note signup deadlines in the foyer.

LOST & FOUND. Check the table in the foyer for items you may have left behind. Anything left after August 31 will be repurposed.

DEVOTIONAL GUIDES. New issues of *Rejoice!* and *Upper Room* are available above the mailboxes.



Arms Wide Open: To Serve & Be Served

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