



God Calls David

October 19, 2025

First Mennonite Church

WE GATHER & PRAISE

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship

One: When the world feels like chaos,

All: God invites us to think outside the box.

One: When change is coming,

All: God calls us to empower the next generation.

One: When everything needs our attention all at once,

**All: God invites us into praying community
to ground our hearts in divine vision.**

HYMN *10,000 Reasons/Bless the Lord* VT 111

Passing the Peace – Fellowship Greeting

Greet those around you with the peace of Christ!

HYMN + *Jesus, Lord of the Earth*

Jesus, Lord of the earth, make us a people of praise.

Refrain:

Yours is the Kingdom, Yours is the power, Yours is the glory
Yours is the power, Yours is the glory, Now and forever
Alleluia! Alleluia!

Jesus, Lord of the earth, make us a light to the world.

Refrain

Jesus, Lord of the earth, make us a servant of peace.

Refrain

Jesus, Lord of the earth, make us a sign of Your love.

Refrain

WE HEAR GOD'S STORY

Children's Time

HYMN *Create in Me a Clean Heart (refrain)* VT 141

Scripture Reading *1 Samuel 16:1-13; Psalm 51:10-14*

Sermon

Music for Meditation

WE TELL OUR STORIES

Prayers of the People & Lord's Prayer (New Zealand Book of Prayer)

*Eternal Spirit,
Earth-maker, Pain bearer, Life-giver,
Source of all that is and that shall be,
Father and Mother of us all,
Loving God, in whom is heaven:*

*The hallowing of your name echo through the universe;
The way of your justice be followed by the peoples of the world;
Your heavenly will be done by all created beings;
Your commonwealth of peace and freedom
sustain our hope and come on earth.*

*With the bread we need for today, feed us.
In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us.
In times of temptation and test, strengthen us.
From trial too great to endure, spare us.
From the grip of all that is evil, free us.
For you reign in the glory of the power that is love,
now and forever. Amen.*

WE GO TO LIVE INTO GOD'S STORY

HYMN *We Dream of a Turning* VT 209

Benediction

Postlude

*Worship Liturgy (Call to Worship, Prayers, Benediction) written by Rev. Teri Peterson.

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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: Susan Combs & Joretta Martens

Nursery: Cindy Kroeker

Pianist: Peggy Stucky

Worship Leader: Randy Rempel

Song Leader: Bryan Kehr

Scripture Reader: Delon Martens

Children's Time: Heidi Unruh

Preacher: Tonya Ramer Wenger

Reno County Food Bank donations for October: Canned soup

November: Canned fruit

FUNDRAISING EVENTS in our local community:

- **Mennonite Friendship Communities *Evening at the Burt*** – October 28, doors open 5:30pm, dinner at 6:30. Larry Hatteberg, speaker. Raising funds for south wing renovations. See Joretta for info.
- **First Mennonite Church of Halstead – Annual Hog Roast**, Sunday, Oct 26 from 5-7pm at Scout Park Gazebo (3rd & Locust, Halstead). Pulled pork supper with fixins. Proceeds to Camp Mennoscah. Bring your lawn chairs. Weather location at the church at 4th & Santa Fe.

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 after worship in Common Grounds Room

Sunday School for all ages @ 11:00:

Toddlers and K-5th (in basement SS rooms)

Jr Youth & Senior Youth (all the way upstairs)

Salt and Light Bible Study (basement fellowship hall & Zoom)

Connection & Conversation Class (basement adult SS room)

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- **October 26** – Budget meeting @ 11:00am. Children's Sunday School
- **October 31** – Donuts on the Lawn (at FMC) volunteers beginning 4pm
- **November 1** – Singing Group @ Wenger's (5pm potluck, 6pm informal singing); everyone welcome, bring a dish to share if you can.
- **November 3** – MCC Meat Canning – volunteer to Eldon Wagler. Deadline is today for contributions to purchase meat & supplies. Checks to FMC (designated for MCC Meat Canning).
- **November 8** – Camp Mennoscah Verenike Casserole Meal – Faith Mennonite (Newton), dine in or drive thru, 5:30-6:30pm. Reservations required – link in THIS WEEK posted on FMC's website.
- **November 9** – Mission Festival – Raylene Hinz Penner, speaker; potluck meal following Sunday School.
- **November 9** – 2nd Annual Blessing of the Pets @ 4:30pm at the church.

FALL WNAF (Wednesday Nights at First) Series: “Learn-Pray-Act: Local Justice Initiatives” will be held on Wednesdays beginning October 8. The evening schedule will be:

5:45-6:45pm Dinner provided (donations accepted to cover costs)

6:45-7:45 Adult Program & Children’s Activities

- **October 22: Earth Justice**
- **October 29: Immigration Justice**
- **November 5: Housing Justice**



Arms Wide Open: To Serve & Be Served

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