

THIS WEEK @ FMC - June 10-16, 2026

Our upcoming worship series focusing on prayer (**All My Days**) was created by Marcia McFee at Worship Design Studio and is based in part on a little book written by Kristen E. Vincent – [A Bead and a Prayer](#) (Upper Room Books, 2013). Many of you helped a couple weeks ago to make prayer beads that will accompany us through the summer. While we might associate the use of beads in prayer with Catholic practices, the reality is humans have found tangible objects to help them pray across traditions and throughout time.

This Sunday (and subsequent Sundays) prayer beads will be available for you to use during worship and to take home with you as an aid to prayer during the week if you choose (if not, you are welcome to leave them in your mailbox at church or in the baskets provided). And, there will be ‘loaners’ available should you forget to bring yours back on a Sunday morning. We just ask you return those at the end of the service! Each week’s worship will include a specific suggestion of how you might pray during the coming week with the beads, and we’ll practice that prayer in worship together. There are a few ‘extra’ Sundays during the summer that will interrupt this series: our June 21 worship at Camp Mennoscah and a July 19 worship that will include two guest speakers from Western District Conference. Otherwise, this 8 Sunday series will be our primary focus through Sunday August 16. And, we’ll weave in faith journey stories along the way as there are willing storytellers!

Vincent offers this helpful perspective on the use of beads in prayer in the introduction to her book:

“Prayer beads are a tool for prayer. Just as a hammer and nails help us construct a house, so prayer beads help us construct a life of connection with God. The beads are not the end; they are the means to an end, which is communion with God. I want to emphasize that prayer beads are just one of many tools to assist in prayer. Not everyone needs a prayer tool. Many people feel comfortable with prayer and have developed ways of praying that work well for them. ... However, many people struggle with prayer. Their minds wander, they get bored; they wonder if they are being heard; they struggle with what to say. Prayer beads can help them develop rich lives of prayer, deepening their connection with God.” (16)

I’m looking forward to deepening our connection with God together on Sunday mornings, and all throughout the week!

--**Pastor Tonya**

SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP is at 9:30am

The link to join is on our website: www.hutchfmc.org Join 5 minutes early for announcements. The bulletin can be found under the BULLETINS tab on our home page.

SUNDAY, JUNE 14 – ALL MY DAYS: BE STILL AND KNOW

Scripture: *Philippians 4:4-7; Matthew 7:7-8*

Preacher: Tonya Ramer Wenger

Worship Leader: Randy Rempel

Pianist: Shelley Kauffman

Song Leader: Shane Miller

Children’s Time: DeAnna Goering

Scripture Reader: Sadie Pritchett

Prayers of the People: Pastor Tonya (620-513-2828)

- Additional summer Sunday school dates are:
July 12 and 26
August 9 and 23

SUMMER 2026 WORSHIP

Worship @ FMC this summer will include a series on prayer (*All My Days* – details below), faith journey sharing from congregation members, and some guest speakers from Mennonite institutions. Coming up...

June 14 – *“All My Days”* series on Prayer begins – Pastor Tonya preaching

June 21 – Worship @ Camp Mennoscah (10:00am)

ALL MY DAYS – SUMMER 2026 WORSHIP SERIES ON PRAYER

Prayer can be an abstract idea for some of us. When, where, what, and how do we pray? And why would we do it? Cultures and religions throughout time and space have turned to tangible objects to help them answer these questions. In this worship series, we will explore the ancient and cross-traditional use of prayer beads as a way to connect with the Holy and with each other for “all our days.” (Marcia McFee – Worship Design Studio)

June 14 – **Be Still and Know**

June 28 – **Presence** *“Our Abba, Who Art in Heaven”*

July 5 – **Praise** *“Hallowed Be Thy Name”*

July 12 – **Purpose** *“Thy Kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.”*

July 26 – **Petition** *“Give us this day our daily bread.”*

August 2 – **Pardon** *“Forgive us our sins/trespasses as we forgive those who sin/trespass against us.”*

August 9 – **Protection** *“Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.”*

August 16 – **Persistence** *“For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever and ever. AMEN”*

UPPER ROOM and REJOICE! devotional magazines - available above the mailboxes

- *UPPER ROOM* – May, June
- *Rejoice!* – June, July, August

STRENGTHENING Community Connections...

CHURCH OFFICE REGULAR HOURS

- Tuesday and Thursday 9:00am – 2:00pm
- Wednesday 12 noon – 3:00pm

PASTOR TONYA’S HOURS/SCHEDULE

Office hours:

- Monday: Day Off
- Tuesday-Friday: generally working 8:00am-5:30pm
- “In Office” Hours: 9-2 Tuesday and Thursday; noon-3pm Wednesdays
- Available other times by appointment.
- Available evenings and weekends (cell phone is most reliable)

Upcoming Monthly Day Apart (for prayer, quiet, renewal) – TBA

Upcoming Vacation Schedule: June 28 (afternoon)-July 1 (evening)

FMC'S WEEKEND @ CAMP MENNOSCAH – JUNE 20-21, 2026

Many thanks to all who have contributed to help cover the costs of being at Camp Mennoscah June 20-21. This is one way we support the camp, enjoy this sacred space, and make memories and connections together as a church family. We continue to welcome donations to cover expenses.

Saturday June 20 – *you are welcome to arrive at Camp at 4:00pm or later.*

5:30pm Potluck Dinner - bring food to share (and maybe also snacks for later). We can use the refrigerators and kitchen in the main building.

7:00-8:00pm – Pool open for swimming (bring towels, sunscreen, etc.)

The rest of the time is free time!! Recreation options include frisbee golf, carpetball, gaga ball, walking the trails, playing in the river (bring dedicated river clothes/shoes and shower after being in the river), canoeing, board or card games (bring games you enjoy!), etc. Those who wish to can stay in rustic cabins overnight (choose any cabin when you arrive) – bring bedding, toiletries, bug spray, flashlights, etc. There is no electricity in the cabins, but there is in the bathhouses. *A few camp rules: we are responsible for cleaning the spaces we use, no pets allowed (service animals welcome), broken items should be reported to camp staff, and in the kitchen don't use camp's condiments, Ziploc bags, foil, plastic wrap, or spices (we can use ice, salt & pepper, sugar for coffee/tea, coffee, creamer, napkins).*

Sunday, June 21 –

****Breakfast for those staying overnight**** --- *watch for an email with info if you have signed up to stay overnight!*

10:00am Worship in the shelter (attached to main building)

11:15-12:15pm Pool open for swimming

12:30pm Lunch (bring a side dish/salad OR dessert to share!)

1:30pm (or so) Clean Up, and **2:00pm** Departure

THIRD SUNDAY SUMMER POTLUCKS – MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!

This summer we are planning 3rd Sunday summer potlucks after worship at the church in July and August. In June, the third Sunday is at Camp Mennoscah, another great opportunity to connect and build relationships with each other. **Mark your calendars for July 19 and August 16 and plan to bring food to share and your own table service.**

FIRST MENNONITE SUMMER BOOK STUDY – begins June 17

The book study group invites you to join us for our summer read, **Theo of Golden**, a novel by Allen Levi. The group will meet the third Wednesdays for a light finger-food lunch at 12:30pm and conversation at 1:00pm. Our reading will focus as follows: June 17 chapters 1-22, July 15 chapters 23-42, and August 19 chapters 43-epilogue. For more information or for assistance in ordering a book, please check with the church office.

ARMS WIDE OPEN – FMC's history book

The amazing story of First Mennonite Church's 100 years is told in the history book prepared for our centennial celebration. Copies of the book are available for \$25.00 (cash or check). You can also purchase a book online at a price that includes the cost of shipping (click on the "DONATE" button on our website to find this option). Check with the church office to pick up a book.

STRETCHING to Serve as Christ Served...

RENO COUNTY FOOD BANK

June: Crackers, saltines, snack crackers, healthy snacks packets

Personal care/hygiene items such as these are appreciated anytime: toilet paper, laundry detergent, bath soap, Kleenex, deodorant, disposable razors, paper towels, shampoo, dish soap, hand/body lotion, toothpaste and toothbrushes. Travel size – new & unopened – are desirable.

UPDATE – CENTRAL KANSAS INTERFAITH JUSTICE ORGANIZATION

The formation of the new justice ministry in Central Kansas is moving right along! I'm excited to share we have 4 from FMC who have agreed to head up our church's Justice Ministry Team – Peggy Stucky, Jane Wagler, Carol Moore and Susan Combs. You'll be hearing more from them in the coming months as we will begin the listening phase of the process in the fall. This is the process through which we'll hear stories, concerns and hopes to help us discern the issues that matter most to our communities and guide the future direction of our ministry together. Right now, nineteen congregations in Central Kansas have either recruited or are actively recruiting team leaders, and 82 team leaders have already committed to this work. Thirty laity and clergy from our region are attending a DART training in Florida in July, including our very own Peggy Stucky! It's an exciting time to be part of this new initiative seeking God's justice and abundance in our communities.

SALTHAWK COMMUNITY SUPPORT (SCS)

Salthawk Community Support is a local nonprofit housed under the umbrella of Trinity UMC that FMC has been involved with from its beginning through Pastor Tonya's involvement on the board and donations of time, finances, and items from many of you in the congregation. There is a basket in the foyer under the table designated for donations of gently used clothing (appropriate for teens) as well as new toiletry items (especially gender-neutral deodorant).

CAREPORTAL celebrating 11 years of connection

Join us as we honor the Lord for over a decade of connecting communities to care for children and families. We'll share a meal together, engage in meaningful learning, and participate in meeting tangible CarePortal needs. We will have a special offering for local CarePortal needs. First 100 attendees will receive a FREE CarePortal shirt! We will meet Sunday, July 12, 5:00pm at First Mennonite Church, 1718 West Pretty Prairie Road, Pretty Prairie. RSVP to Hallie: Hallie.cable@careportal.org

MENNONITE FRIENDSHIP COMMUNITIES fundraiser at Applebee's . . . June 15 all day

Join Applebee's (1609 East 17th Ave, Hutchinson) in a fundraiser for Mennonite Friendship Communities. Mention this fundraiser to your server on June 15. Applebee's will contribute 25% of your order to support *mfc*.

BETHEL COLLEGE announcements

World Cup soccer-watching party June 12 – U.S. vs. Paraguay, on the campus Green (rain location: 1887 Café in Schultz Student Center). Snacks and beverages will be available for purchase **starting at 7 p.m.;** **kickoff is at 8 p.m.** Bring your own blankets or lawn chairs.

Walk, Run or Bike. Enjoy fresh country air, movement and community through the land surrounding campus at harvest time with the first annual Bethel College Wheat Walk/Run/Ride! Saturday, June 20, 8:30 a.m. starting at Centennial Plaza — 300 E. 27th St.; finish at Brubacher Farm — 5702 N. Spencer. Total distance: 4.25 miles. This FREE community event is open to all ages and activity levels. Walk, run, or ride your bike along a scenic route from campus to the Brubacher Farm, where goodies and drinks will be

waiting at the finish line. A ride will be provided back to campus if needed. **Please register** by Friday, June 19, at noon so we can plan for food and refreshments.

HESSTON COLLEGE - Summer Theatre Camp

Student actors from ages 11 to 18 are invited to join Hesston College Performing Arts for their 11th annual summer theatre camp, June 21 to 27. The weeklong theatre immersion will culminate in a public performance of “The Lightning Thief: The Percy Jackson Musical” on June 27. Those interested can visit hesston.edu/theatrecamp for details and to register online. Registration is due June 19.

ANABAPTIST MENNONITE BIBLICAL SEMINARY study opportunity

Online Short Course: Exploring Peace and Justice in the Bible: Sept. 16 – Oct. 27. Join Paul Keim, PhD, and Drew Strait, PhD, to study pertinent Scripture passages and reflect on how these texts contribute to a robust and biblically based practice of peace and justice today. This online short course of Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary lasts six weeks. No grades, no papers! CEUs available. Register by Aug. 26 to save \$50. ambs.edu/online-short-courses

ET CETERA SHOP seeks Director of Operations

The Hutchinson Et Cetera Shop, a volunteer based, non-profit thrift store that supports Mennonite Central Committee and local non-profits is seeking a part-time Director of Operations. Send resume to Delon Martens, 22 North Main, Hutchinson KS 67501, or delon@etchutch.org

SECONDS ON 2nd . . volunteers needed to help with various projects at Seconds on 2nd. If you have a block of time to help, give Sharissa a call at 620-474-2789. Thanks for giving this your attention.

OFFENDER VICTIM MINISTRIES seeks executive director

OVM, Inc. is seeking a mission-driven, collaborative, and strategic **Executive Director** to lead the organization through its next chapter of growth and impact. For a full position description, visit ovmks.org/employment-opportunities. Submit questions or cover letter and resume to apply@ovmks.org

CAMP MENNOSCAH announcements

Items needed for the Retreat Center are shower curtains (opaque white preferred), queen mattress pads, queen comforters and queen fitted & flat sheets. Three queen beds were added for a total of 4 rooms with queen beds. Camp Mennoscah needs a good camera (digital SLR with interchangeable lenses). Donations can be either funds or the items themselves.

NAMI (NATIONAL ALLIANCE ON MENTAL ILLNESS) inaugural Mid-Kansas NAMIWalks

First Mennonite Church, Newton, KS invites you to be part of something special at the **first-ever NAMIWalks Mid-Kansas Event** on Saturday, June 13 in Hesston, KS! Registration and check-in opens at 9 am at Hesston Mennonite Church, 309 S. Main, Hesston. The 1.4 mile walk begins at 10 am. Please consider a donation to this vital organization. If you prefer to donate by check, make it payable to **NAMI Mid-Kansas**. Register, walk, or support the cause at namiwalks.org/midkansas

WESTERN DISTRICT CONFERENCE announcements

WDC Annual Assembly ... August 7-9 in Dallas TX – Inspiring worship throughout the weekend on “Becoming God’s People.” Meaningful faith stories on Friday evening, creative intergenerational worship on Saturday, and Pastor Juan Limones preaches on Sunday. Aug 7-9, 2026 at Iglesia Luz del Evangelio, Dallas, TX. More information and registration coming soon! **If you would be interested in attending as a delegate from FMC, please talk to Delon Martens.** The church covers the cost of registration for the assembly.

WDC Leader Forum: Communications Today – Has your congregation been wondering how to “get the word out” effectively about your wonderful faith community? Has it become a struggle to know how to share information with different generations in your congregation? WDC will host Chris Scott, Facilitator for Emerging Faith Communities, Mennonite Mission Network, to share strategies for communicating effectively outside of our congregation, as well as inside, as communication technologies continue to change. Register [HERE](#) for this virtual gathering on **Tuesday, June 23, 6:30-8 pm on Zoom**.

MENNONITE CENTRAL COMMITTEE announcements

MCC Mini Comforter Blitz, Friday, June 26 from 9am-5pm and Saturday, June 27 from 8am-2pm at MCC in North Newton! You’re invited to bring a friend, grandkids or come and meet new friends, all are welcome! If you can tie a knot, you can help complete comforters at MCC, no sewing required. Bring a snack to share and your own sack lunch for Friday. MCC 121 E. 30th Street, North Newton. Questions? Please contact brociamueller@mcc.org or find out more at mcc.org/mini-blitz.

MCC Immigration Learning Tour, Nov. 1-6 – Sign up today for this immigration focused learning tour in South Texas and Mexico. This tour will focus on education related to a range of matters surrounding immigration, detention and death at the U.S./Mexico border by giving you the opportunity to engage directly with MCC partners who are leading immigration work in the region. Questions? Contact abrahamdiazalonso@mcc.org and sign up online today at mcc.org/tx-immigration-learning-tour!

MCC invites youth to examine convictions about war

As U.S. military activity increases around the world, MCC invites teenagers and young adults to examine their beliefs about participation in war and to record their convictions on a Christian Peacemaker Registration Form. The form is one way that young men and women can build evidence of their peace witness. If the government were to reinstitute a national draft for military service, the form could be used to support a person’s application to be a conscientious objector (CO) to war. A recent change in federal law allows the U.S. Selective Service System to automatically register men, ages 18-25, using government data such as social security numbers. This system will replace a requirement for men to register themselves when they turn 18, which less than 40% did. The law will go into effect in December 2026. Questions or want to connect more on this topic? Contact Becky Teiwes, MCC Central States Peace & Justice Practice Coordinator.

Join us for **Borderlands & Beyond Monthly Charlas**, a conversation series about the daily realities of migration led by the MCC U.S. Immigration Network. Info and registration for the Zoom link: mcc.org/events/borderlands-and-beyond-monthly-charlas-mcc.

Date: Every 3rd Thursday of the month (January to December 2026), *6:00 PM CT*

MENNONITE MISSION NETWORK . . . MENNONITE VOLUNTARY SERVICE

Live out your faith through meaningful service! Applications are open for the 2026-27 term. This one-year volunteer experience (with option to extend) is open to **individuals age 20+**. Go to MennoniteMission.net/MVS to learn more and apply.

MENNONITE CHURCH USA announcements

MC USA’s Structure Review Committee gathered in April to prayerfully envision and prepare for the church’s future in 2040 through a scenario planning process designed to strengthen leadership, support congregations and foster unity amid changing landscapes. Read more about the workshop and the **Reimagining MC USA** initiative here. <https://www.mennoniteusa.org/news/reimagining-mc-usa-for-2040/>