



# Friendship Mennonite Church

## Changing Lives Through Jesus Christ

August 23, 2009

**Pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. Ephesians 6:18**

### Coming to God

Welcome and Announcements  
Call to Worship  
Opening Songs

Recognition of Summer MIP Intern, Jennifer Speight  
Offering

### Learning about God

Songs of Praise  
*Children are dismissed for Children's Church*

Scripture Reading: Proverbs 29:18  
Sermon: "Vision: Where Are We Going?" Kevin Kanagy

### Responding to God

Responding Song  
Congregational Sharing and Prayer  
Sending Song  
Benediction

### Serving Today

Worship Leader: Joe Kotva	Song Leader: J. Witmer-Rich
Piano: Rhonda Savage	Greeter: Marge Meuti
Usher: Chris Savage	Sound: Jerry Ruff
Worship Nursery: Karen Ruff	Children's Church: Karen Speight & Denise Bohrer

### Upcoming Events & Meetings

Fri. Aug. 28	Women's Time Out Picnic 6 pm
Sun. Aug. 30	Children's Sunday School Begins 9:30 am
	Adult Sunday School Fellowship 9:30 am
	Nursery Workers Meeting after church
Wed. Sep. 2	Worship Committee Meeting 7 pm
Sun. Sep. 6	Adult Sunday School Classes Begin 9:30 am
	Retreat Picnic and Campout 4 pm

### Giving for August 9, 2009

Church Offering:	Meals on Wheels	Meat Canner
\$1690.23	\$10.00	\$20.00
	Weekly Budget:	
	\$1448.00	

### Announcements:

- **Welcome to Friendship Mennonite Church! If you are visiting us this week, thank you!** We have a visitor packet for you that will be passed out during the announcements. This will give you information about our Church and a visitor information card for you to fill out and place in the offering so that we can get to know you. We are so glad to worship with you!
- **Many thanks and blessings to Jennifer Speight** for serving the church this summer with her many gifts. She participated in the Ministry Inquiry Program through Goshen College and will be returning to college this week. Please pray for her as she continues to seek God's direction for her life.
- **This week we begin a new series on Church Vision:** "Invite, Build, Live." Pray for our church as we talk about our vision and look at our vision and God's word for us during this exciting time!

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- **There will be a brief meeting for nursery workers** after church **next Sunday, August 30**. We will meet in the front of the sanctuary to review the schedule for fall and touch base as we begin a new year of caring for our children. Please let Kayley Nickless know at [nicknumber03@aol.com](mailto:nicknumber03@aol.com) if you cannot attend.
- **The Discernment Committee** is nearing completion of its work, but we need your help. We are still lacking a **Trustee** who is able and willing to do hands-on maintenance work in the church. If you can help us by filling this position, please contact Sheri Banks. Thank you.
- Plans are underway to begin serving a **Community Meal** once a month beginning in October. We are in need of donated food items to help make this a success. Please see the red bulletin board in the foyer for menu ideas and what kind of things to bring in. Food can be brought in at any time and placed in the metal cabinet in the youth classroom upstairs. See **Karen Speight** for more information.
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