

Please pray...

*If you have a prayer request or praise that you would like to share, contact Cara Speros. [secretary@friendmc.org](mailto:secretary@friendmc.org).*



# Friendship Mennonite Church

Changing Lives Through Jesus Christ

January 8, 2012

*God came into the world to bring life to all humankind.  
When the light of God shines through us, people will be drawn  
—from all sorts of backgrounds and  
places. How do we prepare to welcome and  
embrace a “body” that is wider than we’d dared to imagine?*

## **Gathering**

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

## **Praising**

Songs of Praise

Offering

## **Hearing**

Scripture Reading: Nehemiah 1:1-11

Sermon: “A Vision from Ashes” Kevin Kanagy

## **Responding**

Responding Song

Congregational Sharing & Prayer

## **Sending**

Sending Song

**Welcome to Friendship Mennonite Church!**

**Visiting this week?**

We are so glad you've joined us for worship! We hope you find a place to belong here. We together are searching for Jesus in our lives. Come visit again soon!

## Announcements

- **Women....** mark your calendars for our upcoming FMC **Women's Retreat!** It will be May 4-6 at Asbury Camp and Retreat Center in Hiram, Ohio. Our retreat speaker will be Mattie Marie Mast and activities will include singing, crafts, games and time with God alone and with others.
- **Save your egg cartons and extra canning jars!** MCC Connections in Kidron collects them to sell to local farmers. **Joe Kotva** will take them down once a month to donate. Joe also will collect Campbell's soup labels for education to give to Central Christian Schools.
- A **lost and found box** for FMC items is located in the **closet right outside the sanctuary.** Please place any items you find, OR look for items you have lost. Thank you!
- **From Pastors Kevin and Nan :** Thank you so much for the kind and generous monetary Christmas gift you gave us! We are humbled and grateful for your support of us in prayer and in this financial support. It is truly appreciated.
- **Got Cereal Boxes?** FMC Recycles. We can accept the following: newspaper, mail, catalogs, phone books, magazines, brown paper bags, office paper, flattened cardboard, and hard and soft bound books. Bring your cereal boxes too!
- **Harvey's New Address:** There is a card from Harvey Osmann in the lobby. His new address is available from the church office.
- **Gizella has email!** If you are interested in sending her a note, her new email address is available from the church office. She would love to hear from everyone!
- **MLK Day Celebration** On January 16, at 7 pm, Mt. Zion Church in Oakwood Village will hold a celebration honoring Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. There will be historical performances, children's activities and more!
- **Additional Giving for last Sunday:** Meals on Wheels: \$10.00.

## Serving Our Church Today

*Worship Leader:* Amy Gingerich

*Piano:* Rhonda Savage

*Sunday School Nursery:* Todd Miller

*Sound:*

*Song Leader:* Rachel Miller

*Usher:* Matt Savage

*Greeter:* Marge Meuti

*PowerPoint:* Ben Yoder

*Worship Nursery:* April Mather

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## Serving Next Sunday

*Worship Leader:* April Mather

*Usher:* Bill Speight

*Sunday School Nursery:* Rhonda Savage

*Song Leader:* Nan Kanagy

*Greeter:* Bill Speight

*Worship Nursery:* Chris Coblentz

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## Looking Ahead

Wednesday, January 11

Sunday, January 15

Wednesday, January 18

January 23-February 23

Worship Committee Meeting 7:00 pm

Church Life Meeting & Pizza Lunch 12:15

Family Fun Night 5:30 pm

Pastors Kevin and Nan on Sabbatical

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## Giving for Last Sunday

Church Offering:

\$428.00

Weekly Budget:

\$1371.00

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# 2012 FMC Christian Education

Classes for all ages began TODAY!

**Offering:** This quarter we will include a time of offering for every class. This offering goes towards our Christian Education program and reminds us (not just children, but everyone) that giving is important to God.

**Sunday School Bell:** A bell will be rung a bit before 9:30, and again at 9:35 to remind all adults and children that classes have begun. Please get to your classroom promptly so we can maximize on our time together.

## Children and Youth

Preschool – Room # 4 upstairs - Amy Gingerich, Jan – Feb. teacher

Primary (K-2) – Room # 3 upstairs -Kayley Nickless, Jan. teacher

Middler (3 – 6) – Room #18 down hallway (subject to change)

– Maria Witmer Rich, Jan. teacher

Youth - January 8, with adults. Then youth room upstairs

-Anita Hooley Yoder, April Mather, teachers

## Adults

All adults are invited to experiment, reflect, and do something new together for the first three Sundays of the year. Please join us for something new!

Topic: New Year, New Spaces, (Re) New relationships,

*April Mather, facilitator*

*Kevin and Nan Kanagy, Bible input*

**January 8 – location - Conference room**

January 15 – location – Last room down the hallway

January 22 – location - Start in the library, move to the

Fellowship Hall

Topic: “The Heart of Mennonite Worship”, various teachers

January 29 – February 19 – Fellowship Hall

**Join us NEXT SUNDAY for...**

# ***FMC Church Life Meeting***

**January 15, 2011 @ 12:15**

***Pizza Lunch & Childcare Provided!***  
*(a donation basket will be provided for \$ for pizza)*



**Some agenda items include:**

- *Reflections on 2011*
- *What is God doing around us and in our hearts?  
Where are we headed at FMC in the future?*
- *2012 Budget for FMC*
- *Pastor's Sabbatical Plans*
- *Report on Pastoral Review*