

Weekend to Remember

All married couples who are regular attenders at Friendship Mennonite Church are urged to attend a marriage getaway weekend! Full funding for registration is available when entire event is attended. Couples must pay for their own lodging. Choose from the following dates to get away:

March 7-9, 2014 - Akron

March 14 -16, 2014 - Independence

Please contact Rudy or Shirley Coblentz
with questions. 330-653-3303

Steps to Register:

1. Register and pay at www.familylife.com
2. Email your receipt to Sue Coblentz, treasurer:
sue@coblentzhomes.com. She will reimburse your cost from the FMC marriage fund.
3. Book the hotel of your choice
4. Mark your calendar and prayerfully prepare.



MCC (Mennonite Central Committee) Christmas Giving catalogs have arrived and are located in the library! Take one home today! Instead of giving a material gift to someone who doesn't need anything, why not give a gift in their name to help with relief around the world? When you donate, ask for a free card from MCC to send to friends that explains the gift you have given in their honor.



Happy Birthday!



Keep these people in your prayers as they celebrate another year of life!

***Contact the church office for a
list of upcoming birthdays***



Friendship Mennonite Church

November 24, 2013

MISSIONS SUNDAY

Welcome
Opening Song
Call to Worship
Songs of Praise
Offering

Scripture Reading: 2 Corinthians 5:16-21

Sermon: "Being, Doing and Having God's Mission" Nan Kanagy

Praise Dance

Mission/Penny Power Offering

Congregational Responding

Congregational Prayer for the World

Announcements

Sending Song

Visiting this week?

Welcome to Friendship Mennonite Church!

We are so glad you've joined us for worship! We hope you find a place to belong and consider joining us in God's mission. We are looking for people to join us who are interested in learning more about Jesus, becoming a disciple and finding out God's purpose for them in life!

Announcements

- **FMC Women:** In your church mailbox, you will find a complimentary copy of *Timbrel*, a publication of Mennonite Women USA, which connects today's Mennonite women in all our diversity by sharing our stories and perspectives.
- **Girl Talk Community Club** The 2nd and 4th Mondays of every month, Pastor Nan leads "Girl Talk", a club for community girls ages 9 - 13 at 4:00 pm. Let her know if you're willing to donate crafts or snacks.
- **TODAY Christmas Decorating** You are invited to join the Worship Committee after church to decorate the church for Christmas!
- **Children's Christian Education Meeting** There will be a meeting on Monday, December 2 for parents and those interested in teaching our children. The meeting will begin at 7:00 pm at the Panera Bread in Warrensville Heights. For more information, contact Maria Witmer-Rich or Pastor Nan. For directions, see Cara Speros.
- **Care Packages** We are collecting items to send to our college students (Nick Arn and Ashton Cluts)! Please write them some notes with favorite Bible Verses or encouragement for them in the end of the semester. Boxes are in the foyer. Thank you.
- **Mennonite Your Way** is a directory among Mennonite, Brethren and other Christians of "like spirit" by organizing a hospitality network so travelers can share Christian courtesy and fellowship. The directory lists over 1600 hosts who are willing to provide lodging to travelers. They are looking for hosts in our area. If you are interested in hosting or traveling, check out the directory, located in the church library.

Sunday Morning Adult Connection! – 9:30 – 10:30 Every Sunday

Adults are invited to join in a new series discussing Go to Church, Change the World by Gerald Mast. This will include smaller group breakout sessions twice a month as well as Bible study and discussion. Please join us as we look at why church matters as we connect with one another and pray for each other.

Serving Our Church Today

Worship Leader: April Mather

Song Leader: Rhonda Savage

Piano: Elizabeth Jones

Usher: Matt Savage

Sunday School Nursery: Todd Miller

Greeter: Mary Lowery

Worship Nursery: M Witmer-Rich

Sunday Building Trustee: B Speros

A/V Team (Sound/PowerPoint): Ben Speros & Eric Miller

Serving Next Sunday

Worship Leader: Dean Burden

Song Leader: FMC Vocal Ensemble

Usher: Tim Savage

Greeter: M & P Honsaker

SS Nursery: Rudy Coblentz

Worship Nursery: April Mather

Sunday Building Trustee: C & N Stehouwer

Looking Ahead

TODAY

Monday, December 2

Wednesday, December 11

Friday, December 13

Sunday, December 15

Tuesday, December 17

Tuesday, December 24

Missions Sunday

Christmas Decorating 12 noon

Children's Christian Ed. Meeting 7:00 pm

Worship Committee Meeting 6:00 pm

Christmas Program Dress Rehearsal 4 pm

Children's Christmas Program 10:45 am

Administrative Team Meeting 6:30 pm

Christmas Eve Service 6:00 pm

Giving for Last Sunday

Church Offering:

\$

Weekly Budget:

\$1371.00

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Secretary: Cara Speros (secretary@friendmc.org)

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FMC Advent Schedule

Join us and prepare for the Birth of Jesus as we begin a new sermon series on the book of Matthew!

Sunday, December 1

9:30 am - Adults: Go to Church, Change the World
- Children's Play Practice in Sanctuary
10:45 Worship **Matthew 24:36-44**

Sunday, December 8

9:30 am - Adults: Go to Church, Change the World- CG
- Children's Play Practice in Sanctuary
10:45 Worship **Matthew 3:1-12**

Friday, December 13

4:00 pm - Dress Rehearsal for Children's Christmas Play

Sunday, December 15

9:30 am – Adults: Go to Church, Change the World
9:30 am - Final Dress Rehearsal for Children
10:45 am - Children's Christmas Program!

Sunday, December 22

9:30 am – Intergenerational Serving & Learning Hour
10:45 am Worship **Matthew 1:18-25**

Tuesday, December 24

6:00 pm - Christmas Eve Candlelight Service
Bring your Favorite Cookies to share!

Sunday, December 29

9:30 am - NO Christian Ed hour
10:45 am Guest **Speaker** Ben Price, Youth for Christ



Missions Sunday

We are called to support God's work through the giving of our own resources of time, talents and financial donations. Our special offering today will go to support the following ministries. Checks may be earmarked for mission through the entire month of December as well. Thank you for giving!

Mennonite Mission Network

 support goes to help:

1. International mission workers, like Neal and Janie Blough at the Paris Mennonite Centre, and Nancy Frey and Bruce Yoderin Burkina Faso.
2. U.S. programs, including church planting, the Peace and Justice Support Network, Asian ministries, and urban ministry.
3. Our staff who make sure workers are cared for, administer programs, create resources for congregations, and get out the word about ways that God is working around the world.

Mennonite Central Committee - A relief, service, and peace agency representing 15 Mennonite, Brethren in Christ and Amish bodies in North America. Missionaries are located in 57 countries around the world. Our penny power offering goes to MCC the last Sunday of every month.

Ohio Mennonite Conference - a network of 80+ churches committed to Christ and the building of God's kingdom here in Ohio. Resources for Conference go towards church planting, support of conference ministers and other ministries.

The People of Peru – Sheri Banks has committed her life to serving the people of Peru. About 6 months each year, she and her husband Gary Banks live in Peru. She is active with the Mennonite Brethren Church in Lima. Pray for Sheri and Gary as they live and work there. **Special Note:** We will have the opportunity to SKYPE Sheri on December 22nd at 9:30 am as part of our Serving and Learning Hour at FMC. Join us for that fun time!

Eastern European Missions - Please pray for our sister Gizella Tapolyai in Eastern Europe as she continues to author books, travel, and speak the truth of Jesus to church groups, youth conferences and orphanages. Pray also for her health as she battles on-going concerns. Gizella moved to Hungary in 2011 after living and serving here at FMC for many years.