

# *A Celebration of Christian Worship*

June 21, 2009

**Prelude**

Cara Yoder

## *Gathering Time*

**Welcome**

**Call to Worship** SJ#119

**Hymns** SJ#2 “Come, walk with us”

#150 “Wonderful grace of Jesus”

**Opening Prayer**

**Children’s Time**

**Passing the Friendship Register**

**Introduction of Guests & Sermon Responses**

**Announcements**

## *Offering Ourselves to God*

**Pastoral Prayer**

**Hymn** #64 “Asithi: Amen”

Rene Hostetter

**Offering**

**Doxology** #118 “Praise God, from whom”

## *Hearing God’s Word*

**Scripture** Romans 16:1-4, 6-7, 12

**Sermon** “How to Live”

Ryan Ahlgrim

## *Responding to the Word*

**Hymn of Response** SJ#56 “Make me a channel of your peace”

**Licensing & Installation of Rene Hostetter**

**Hymn** #307 “Will you let me be your servant”

**Blessing**

**Postlude**

**Pastor:** Ryan Ahlgrim **Associate Pastor:** Rene Hostetter  
**Pastoral Intern:** Shannon Walker Dycus  
**Elders:** Kevin Schloneger (chair), Donna Haines, Gloria Hood, Elvin Plank  
**Worship Leader:** Shannon Walker Dycus  
**Song Leader:** Mary Liechty  
**Accompanist:** Priscilla Boschmann  
**ASL Interpreter:** Linda Bellville  
**Ushers:** Allen & Cindy Mast  
**Greeters:** Delbert & LuEtta Culp  
**Nursery:** Rachel Potenza & Caitlin Selby  
**Ministers:** Each participant in the congregation

**UPCOMING SERMON SERIES ON PARABLES:**  
June 28: Luke 18:1-8  
July 5: Luke 18:9-14—(Shannon Walker Dycus preaching)  
July 12: Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43, 47-50

**FELLOWSHIP TIME:** 10:40 a.m. Beverages are served in the fellowship hall.

**CHILDREN AND YOUTH CLASSES:** There will be no combined children’s class today. The JYF and MYF meet upstairs. The nursery is staffed during Sunday school (for children under two).  
**ADULT CLASSES:**  
Call sealed with promise is a Bible study class taught by Katherine Cornelius. The author is Perry B. Yoder and deals with God’s call of a covenant community as reflected in the OT books of the law, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, and Deuteronomy. Class meets in the corner overflow room.  
Current Issues The Peace & Justice Committee is coordinating a class which presents a series of speakers on a wide range of topics. Today Todd Jameson with Slow Food Indy will speak. For a schedule of remaining speakers, see the committee bulletin board or the church website. The class is meeting in the sanctuary today.  
A Path to a Healing Christian Faith. This class is reading and discussing Ryan Ahlgrim’s book about the Christian faith that he wrote last summer on sabbatical. Today we will review the last chapter of the book on God. Led by Ryan Ahlgrim. Meets in the overflow room off the fellowship hall.

**Financial Updates**  
Budget contributions on June 14: \$ 5,588  
Contributions YTD: \$157,771  
Projected contributions needed YTD: \$199,153  
Surplus (Deficit) YTD: (\$ 41,382)

**Sunday morning attendance June 14: 193**

### **BUILDING EXPANSION UPDATE**

There is still help needed for the nursery renovation this week to move the changing tables, sink cabinets, etc. Please contact Mel Swartzentruber if you are able to assist.

There are new photos posted to the expansion blog for your review. Check it out!

The final FMC Master Landscaping Plan is posted to the bulletin board and blog site! The prairie, young trees and shrubs seem to have survived the winter very well. Don't expect many flowers for the next year or two as the native plants put down deep roots first. We are grateful to the Lilly Center for Congregations for a grant that partially funded the plan. If anyone has ideas on additional grants for installation of benches, pavilion, and naturalizing the wetland around the pond, please let us know. As part of the building construction, the pathway will be completed around the front (east) end of the property this summer. The Memory Garden will stay in place and be expanded. If anyone is interested in placing memorials in the area, please contact Robin Helmuth or Gwen White for guidelines. Thanks for all your work watering and planting last year. We will keep everyone updated on progress!

### **TODAY—June 21, 2009**

**Installation and licensing of Rene Hostetter** is today. There will be a light lunch served by the Fellowship Committee immediately following Sunday school.

**MYF laser tag event**, today. We will eat lunch with the congregation, play laser tag and then return to the church to clean out the MYF room. We should conclude by 5:00 p.m.

A **service of prayer for Mary Ellen Kessler** will be this evening at 7:00 p.m. The congregation is invited to come and pray with Mary Ellen.

### **THIS WEEK**

**Church Council** is Wednesday, June 24, at 7:00 p.m. All committee chairs are expected to attend. There will be no Council meeting in July.

Indy Artists' Peace Project presents a **Peace Coffeehouse**, Friday, June 26, 6:00-8:00 p.m. at FMC. An artistic celebration of peace & social justice with music, poetry, storytelling, food and fellowship! Performers will include Khabir Shareef (storyteller), E.A. Strother (singer/songwriter), Jeff Matheus (poet), and special guest speaker from the Indianapolis Peace Institute. Visual art displays, and a special presentation about the IAPP's upcoming film project, "Soldier's Song." Free admission. Free coffee & tea. Baked goods will be sold to support the ongoing work of the IAPP.

### **NEXT SUNDAY**

For the last session of the adult Sunday school class "A Path to a Healing Christian Faith" Ryan Ahlgrim is inviting class members and anyone else who is interested to write an essay on "What I Believe." Length can be from one paragraph to two pages. Please bring your essay to the class on June 28 and they will be read aloud.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

The MYF and their sponsors will **leave on the convention trip** on Monday, June 29, spending the first day at Kings Island. They will go to Columbus on Tuesday and return to Indianapolis by 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, July 5.

The **summer adult Sunday school class "Faith at the Movies"** will begin on July 12. Each week we will present clips of movies and discuss them. Also, we may attend movies as a group or have home screenings. Any suggestions of films we can use in the class or attend would be welcome. Please email suggestions as soon as possible to Dean Habegger (see email address in printed bulletin).

We will be making **health kits for Mennonite Central Committee (MCC)** in honor of World Refugee Day. The kits will be put together by the children on July 12 during summer Sunday school class. We are collecting items for the kits on the remaining Sundays. Needed items: Toothpaste (at least 6 oz), individually wrapped toothbrushes, fingernail clippers, bar soap.

## GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Adult Growth & Nurture has selected *The Year of Living Biblically* by A. J. Jacobs for our One Church/One Book summer reading program. We are asking as many adults as possible to read this book over the next two months. Then in August we will have discussion groups meeting at various times and places. Copies of the book can be bought in the fellowship hall for \$10 each.

**Children's Summer Sunday School Volunteers Needed:** To all those with a passion for teaching and for kids, sign up to teach a multi-age class for just one Sunday. Curriculum is available, or you can do your own thing like sing songs, play Bible games, etc. Two adults needed each week. A sign-up sheet is on the kiosk. Volunteers are needed June 21 & 28, July 19 & 26. Contact Rachel Friesen, Meg Wilson or Kenda Friend with questions. If we do not have leaders for any Sunday, we will be unable to offer a class.

**Free Organ to a Church or Home!** We have advertised the availability for free of our old electronic organ to churches in the Indiana-Michigan Mennonite Conference. We have also contacted the Church Federation of Indianapolis. So far, there has been no response. We are now making the organ available to anyone, church or private home, who will come and pick it up. The speaker was has been removed from the wall in the sanctuary and goes with the organ. Please see John Daniels or contact the church office if you are interested or know of someone who is interested in the organ.

In the church mailboxes are forms from the Pastor-Elder Team to **fill out your preferences for small groups next fall**. Instead of signing up for small groups, the elders will assign people to small groups who wish to join a group or make a change in groups. **Each adult** should fill out a form, **but if you are staying in the same small group, you do not need to fill out the form**. See any member of the Pastor-Elder Team if you have questions. The collection box is available near the mailboxes. Please return the forms by Sunday, July 12.

**Opportunities to share your gifts in worship!** Would you like to play a prelude or offertory this summer? Would you like to bring fresh flowers for the sanctuary? There is a sign-up on the kiosk to indicate your interest in these ministries. Please choose a date and sign your name in the appropriate column.

**Living Christ's mission of reconciliation  
through service,  
with justice,  
by God's grace.**

**Yearly Communion Schedule:**

**First Sunday in October (World Communion Sunday)**

**First Sunday in Advent**

**Christmas Eve**

**First Sunday in Lent**

**Maundy Thursday**

**Easter Sunday**

**Pentecost Sunday**

**Second Sunday in August**

**INSTALLATION QUESTIONS FOR THE CONGREGATION**

Leader: Sisters and brothers,  
now is the time for us to install Rene as your associate pastor.  
Who has called Rene to this position?

**People: Believing that we have been guided by the Spirit of God,  
we have called Rene to be our minister.**

Leader: In commending Rene for this ministry, will you also uphold her in it?

**People: We will stand by Rene in her calling.**

*[Installation questions for Rene Hostetter]*

Leader: Sisters and brothers,  
you have heard the commitment to ministry in this  
congregation made by Rene. Do you receive her as your  
pastor? Will you seek to live honestly, openly, and justly with Rene?

**People: We will.**

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