

# *A Celebration of Christian Worship*

## **Prelude**

**Songs** “Today is the Day”  
“Not be Shaken”  
“Montana”  
“Come and Fill Us”  
“Here I am to Worship”

## **Welcome and Opening Prayer**

**Scripture** John 20:21-22 John Miller

**Skit** Garrett Ahlgrim & Abby Deaton

**Children’s Time** Garrett Ahlgrim

**Pastoral Prayer** Andrew Mishler

## **MYF Sharing**

**Songs** “Every Move I Make”  
“Undignified”  
“God of Wonders”

**Scripture** Matthew 22:34-40 John Miller  
**Sermon** “As Yourself” Abby Deaton

**Response Song** “Use Us Lord, As We Go” [insert]

**Passing the Friendship Register**  
**Sharing of Joys, Introduction of Guests & Service Responses**  
**Announcements**

**Closing Song** SJ#2 “Hamba Nathi”

**Offering** *Please drop offerings in baskets as you leave the sanctuary*

## **Postlude**

<p><b>Pastor:</b> Ryan Ahlgrim <b>Associate Pastor:</b> Rene Hostetter <b>Pastoral Intern:</b> Shannon Walker Dycus <b>Elders:</b> Kevin Schloneger (chair), Donna Haines, Gloria Hood, Elvin Plank <b>Worship Leader:</b> Nathan Geiser <b>Song Leaders:</b> Karla Hovde &amp; Conner Stoesz <b>Instrumentalists:</b> Garrett Ahlgrim, Hannah Geiser, John Miller <b>Pianist:</b> Angela Richer Shenk <b>PowerPoint:</b> Andrew Mishler <b>Ushers:</b> Marty Flickinger &amp; Karla Hovde <b>Greeters:</b> Jackson Charles &amp; Nathan Geiser <b>Nursery:</b> Rachel Potenza &amp; Caitlin Selby <b>Ministers:</b> Each participant in the congregation</p>
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## **UPCOMING SERMON SERIES ON PARABLES:**

July 26: Matthew 21:28-32  
August 2: Matthew 22:1-4  
August 9: Matthew 18:12-14

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

## **CHILDREN AND YOUTH CLASSES:**

**Combined class for children meets today in the middle rooms.**  
The JYF meets in Ryan Ahlgrim’s office; the MYF in the library.  
**ADULT CLASS: We have a joint adult class “Faith at the Movies” which meets in the sanctuary.**

## **Financial Updates**

Budget contributions on July 12:	\$ 6,820
Contributions YTD:	\$180,254
Projected contributions needed YTD:	\$232,345
Surplus (Deficit) YTD:	(\$ 52,091)

**Sunday morning attendance on July 12: 188**

## GLOBAL GIFTS ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Global Gifts to Open in Bloomington

From its inception and to the present day, First Mennonite and Shalom Mennonite have played a pivotal role in the success and growth of Global Gifts. Growth continues as we plan to open a new store in Bloomington at the beginning of August. This growth comes at a time when our artisan and producer partners need our orders more than ever. Global Gifts budgeted \$90,000 for the store which will come from \$30,000 store funds, \$30,000 inventory loan, and \$30,000 in donations. The board and our partners at Fair Trade Bloomington have raised just over half of the budgeted donations. We ask that you consider supporting our effort by making a contribution to the Global Gifts Bloomington Store Fund. Checks should be made to Global Gifts. See Sam Carpenter or John Daniels for more information. Thanks to all who have already given.

### Global Gifts needs volunteers!

**Tuesday July 28, 7:45 a.m. to noon**, Global Gifts will be loading a truck and setting up a store at the Disciples of Christ General Assembly which will be held at the convention center downtown. We will meet at the Global Gifts office at 701 North Delaware Street at 7:45 a.m. to load a truck. We will then carpool to the convention center to unload, unpack, and set up. See or call Sam Carpenter if you can help (625-0161). We are also seeking volunteers to help run this convention store July 29-August 1.

## TODAY – July 19, 2009

**It's yummy blueberry season! Today is your final opportunity** to place your order during the fellowship time. Pick-up will be next Sunday, July 26, after morning worship. Each ten-pound box is \$26 and each five-pound box is \$13. Thank you for your support of the MYF.

**JYF Chat and Chew with Rene Hostetter** is today from 12:00 noon to 2:00 p.m. We will share a meal after Sunday school and then have time to share with Rene.

## THIS WEEK

**Indianapolis International Film Festival screening** of "A Ripple of Hope" will be shown on Wednesday, July 22, at 3:00 p.m. and Thursday, July 23, at 5:00 p.m. at the Indianapolis Museum of Art. This film is a documentary on the visit to Indianapolis by Robert Kennedy on April 4, 1968. For more information, go to [www.rippleofhopemovie.com](http://www.rippleofhopemovie.com)

## NEXT SUNDAY

The Welcoming Committee is inviting everyone to participate in one more "**Guess Who's Coming to Lunch**" on Sunday, July 26. Please consider being a host or a guest on this Sunday to further your acquaintances at FMC. As a host, you'll provide a main dish and as a guest, you'll sign up to bring a salad, a bread, or a dessert. This occasion provides one last opportunity to add guest names to your "Strangers No More" list which is due August 8. Let's have a great turnout for this summer luncheon! See the poster on the kiosk. Sign up today!

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Kathy Snyder and Laurie Ahlgrim will be organizing a **church rummage sale** which will be held on Saturday, August 1, from 8:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. You may start to bring your items on Monday, July 27. You must price all items you are donating. We would like to have volunteers to help set up on Friday, July 31, and to help with the sale on Saturday and for clean up. A sign-up will be posted on the kiosk.

**MYF--Bye, Bye Beachey Bash** is Sunday, August 2. Watch for more info!

We are celebrating the coming addition to the Myers family with a **baby shower** on August 9 (note date was incorrect in last Sunday's bulletin) at 2:00 p.m. Everyone is invited to join in the fun, food and games and you can bring your favorite dessert item. Jen and Kevin are registered at Babies R Us and Target. For any more planning details see Jen Christophel Lichti or Angela Shenk.

Have you ever watched someone fold paper, turning it into a crane? Paper cranes represent hopes and wishes for peace in the face of great death and destruction. Join us for "**A Thousand Paper Cranes: a Service of Evening Song & Prayer**" on Sunday, August 9, at 5:00 p.m. when we will commemorate Hiroshima Day (August 6) and Nagasaki Day (August 9) in the style and tradition of the Christian communities of Taize and Iona. This worship service is being led by Malinda Berry and is open to all who are interested.

**Bloodmobile will be here on Sunday, August 23!** You will have the opportunity to donate blood during the times of 10:45 a.m. to 2:45 p.m. A representative, Linda Speer, will be here on August 9 and 16 to accept signatures for giving blood on August 23.

**Bible study on Romans with Jake Elias** will be held on six Tuesday evenings beginning on September 22 here at the church. Jake Elias is a retired professor of New Testament from Associated Mennonite Biblical Seminary. Put this on your calendar now!

## GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Ryan Ahlgrim is having vacation time and his final sabbatical time through September 7.** Shannon Walker Dycus is acting lead pastor during this time. See Shannon or Rene for pastoral needs.

Adult Growth & Nurture has selected *The Year of Living Biblically* by A. J. Jacobs for our One Church/One Book summer reading program. **If anyone would like to host/lead a discussion group in August, please contact the church office giving the date and time of when you would like to have it.** We will then have a sign-up process to fill the groups.

**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.

Mission & Service has decided we will again **collect pennies for Mennonite Central Committee (MCC)** for six Sundays prior to the Michiana Mennonite Relief Sale on Saturday, September 26. We will begin collecting on Sunday, August 16. So begin saving your coins now!

Robin and Deb Helmuth share this news with the congregation: "We celebrate with Allison Helmuth and Greg Nixon, who were married on Saturday, July 11, at the Mavris Center in Indianapolis."

**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**

**Third Sunday in August**

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