

# *A Celebration of Christian Worship*

August 30, 2009

**Prelude** Beth Goering

## *Gathering Time*

**Welcome**

**Call to Worship**

**Hymns** #520 “Come, thou fount”  
#150 “Wonderful grace of Jesus”

**Opening Prayer** SJ#137

**Children’s Time**

## *Offering Ourselves to God*

**Pastoral Prayer** Rene Hostetter

**Hymn** SS#45 “Calm me, Lord”

**Offering & Collection of Pennies for Mennonite Central Committee**

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

## *Hearing God’s Word*

**Scripture** Luke 17:5-10 Angela Plank

**Sermon** “You don’t need more faith” Shannon Walker Dycus

## *Responding to the Word*

[Children age four through grade five are dismissed for Children’s Music Ministry]

**Hymn** #602 “Lift up your hearts”

**Passing the Friendship Register**

**Sharing of Joys, Introduction of Guests & Sermon Responses**

**Announcements**

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

**Blessing**

**Postlude**

**Pastor:** Ryan Ahlgrim (currently on sabbatical)

**Associate Pastor:** Rene Hostetter

**Pastoral Intern:** Shannon Walker Dycus

**Elders:** Gloria Hood (chair), Donna Haines, Elvin Plank, Randy Stoesz

**Elder Apprentice:** Tricia Short Yoder

**Worship Leader:** Paul Hartman

**Song Leader:** Art Umble

**Ushers:** Ethel Hartman & Sue Turner

**Greeters:** Gerald & Mary Miller

**Nursery:** Rachel Potenza & Cal Swarbrick

**Ministers:** Each participant in the congregation

## **UPCOMING SERMONS:**

September 6: Deuteronomy 5:12-15, Matthew 11:28-30 Rene Hostetter preaching

September 13: Racial Prejudice

September 20: Jacob Elias, retired professor of NT at Associated Mennonite Biblical Seminary will be our guest preacher. “Come, join the story!”

Introduction to the Romans Bible study beginning September 22.

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

## **CHILDREN AND YOUTH CLASSES:**

The children and youth classes begin the new program year today. Lists of class members are on the doors. Here are the classroom locations:

- Ages 2 & 3—classroom east of the new nursery
- PreK & Kindergarten—Library
- Grade 1—First overflow room off fellowship hall
- Grades 2-3—Corner overflow room
- Grades 4-5—Classroom behind the mailboxes
- JYF—grades 6-8—Pastor Ryan’s office
- MYF—grades 9-12—Classroom opposite the kitchen

**ADULT CLASS:** *Faith at the Movies* class meets in the sanctuary.

## Financial Update

Budget contributions on August 23:	\$ 21,953
Contributions YTD:	\$236,953
Projected contributions needed YTD:	\$282,133
Surplus (Deficit) YTD:	(\$ 45,332)

**Sunday morning attendance on August 23: 221**

**TODAY –August 30, 2009**

**BUILDING EXPANSION UPDATE**

One of our volunteer jobs with the new addition is to **complete the outside landscaping. Now is the time!** We need to rake, seed and plant shrubs. We have set up two work days on Saturdays, September 12 and 19, from 8:00 a.m. to noon to complete these jobs. Please sign up on the kiosk in the fellowship hall. Please bring tillers, garden rakes, shovels, etc. See Delbert Culp with any questions.

We are **collecting pennies again today for Mennonite Central Committee (MCC)**. We will conclude the collection on Sunday, September 20, and the coins will be delivered to the Michiana Mennonite Relief Sale on Saturday, September 26.

There is a **potluck lunch today** to honor Shannon Walker Dycus as this is Shannon's last Sunday with us. Join together in the fellowship hall today to share with Shannon as we wish her Godspeed for the continuance of her seminary education at CTS.

**MYF and parent orientation and cookout is today** from 5:00-7:00 p.m. at the Ahlgrim home. Please bring lawn chairs or blankets and a side dish to accompany the brats/hot dogs provided. Drinks and table service also provided. Also please bring your calendars, day-timers, and extra curricular schedules to assist in our planning.

**THIS WEEK**

**Playgroup** meets Tuesday in the new nursery from 9:30-11:00 a.m. This is for any parent and their "stay-at-home" children. Come and enjoy the playtime and fellowship. Questions, see Heidi Boschmann Amstutz.

**NEXT SUNDAY**

**Food Pantry Sunday** is next Sunday, September 6. The immediate need expressed by the Glick Neighborhood Center at Crooked Creek is for rice and beans and toiletries. Remember to bring your donations next Sunday. The needs are very great right now!

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Women's night out:** All women of FMC are invited to attend an evening of conversation, board/card games and finger foods on Friday evening, August 28. The gathering time is 6:30 p.m. at the Orchard Garden at the Indianapolis Museum of Art, 4000 North Michigan Road. Follow the north drive to the greenhouse parking lot. Walk across the street to the Orchard Garden. In the event of inclement weather, the event will be held at the church. Any questions should be directed to Sue Turner.

**Memorial service for Jane Haldeman**, who began the Indianapolis Peace and Justice Center, will be on September 5, at 11:00 a.m. at First Friends.

**Women's Bible Study** will resume meeting on Friday, September 11, from 8:30-10:00 a.m. at the church. We will be using the Bible study guide, **For the Beauty of the Earth, Women, Faith and Creation Care** by Patty Friesen. If you have not participated before and would like to join, please let Deb Helmuth know so a book can be ordered for you. Questions call Deb.

**Women's Book Club** will meet on Friday, September 11, at 7:00 p.m. at Ellen Stoesz's home to discuss Listening is an act of Love by David Isay. For more information or to be added to the email list, contact Alison Schumacher.

**Global Gifts Bloomington Store Grand Opening Celebration** - Global Gifts is inviting its volunteers, donors and friends to help us celebrate the grand opening of our new store in Bloomington on Thursday, September 10, from 6:00-9:00 p.m. The store is located at 122 North Walnut Street in Bloomington, which is on the northeast side of the courthouse square. Please come and see the latest addition to the Global Gifts family of fair trade retail outlets, meet our Bloomington staff and volunteers, and enjoy some refreshments including wine, cheese and fair trade food and drink items. In addition, all purchases will be at a 10% discount. If you have any questions, please see John Daniels, Brian Friend, Matt Waidelich, Bill Wakefield (Board members) or Sam Carpenter (General Manager).

The Women's Committee has planned a brunch for Saturday, September 12, from 9:00-11:00 a.m. at FMC. We will discuss the calendar for the coming year, and three women will share about "New Beginnings." You are welcome to bring a breakfast item to share. No sign-up is necessary.

Next **MEDA** (Mennonite Economic Development Associates) meeting is Saturday, September 12, at the home of Ed and Mary Liechty from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Mary and Sherrill will be giving updates on Agufa Farms and the Unzickers. There will also be a review of our meeting with Howard Good, a financial review, and discussion of opportunities for the upcoming year. Burgers and drinks will be provided. Please bring a side dish.

As you can see in the upcoming sermons section, we will have Jake Elias, a retired NT professor at Associated Mennonite Biblical Seminary, here to preach on Sunday, September 20. This sermon will introduce the **Bible study on Romans** which Jake Elias will conduct. These studies will begin on

Tuesday, September 22, and run for six Tuesdays following that. Everyone is invited to participate. The topics are as follows (all scriptures from Romans):

September 22—The Gospel (1:16-2:16; 3:21-26)

September 29—Justification by Faith (5:1-6:23)

October 6—Suffering and Glory (8:1-39)

October 13—God's People (9:1-11:36)

October 20—The Church in its World (12:1-15:13)

October 27—Congregational Life and Mission (15:14-16:27)

### **GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Discernment Committee has placed nomination forms in mailboxes for use in providing **nominations for the Treasurer A-elect position**. Please consider who you feel would be a good candidate for this position, and return nomination forms to the collection box near the mailboxes by September 20. For questions please see any of the Discernment Committee members—Shaun Wilson, Pattie Mishler, or Ted Danielson.

It's **School Kit** time! Needed items:

- spiral or perforated notebooks (about 21.5cm x 27cm / 8.5" x 10.5" and 70 sheets
- 1 ruler (flat, flexible plastic; indicating both 30cm and 12")
- 12 colored pencils (in packaging)
- 1 large pencil eraser

NO pencils please! We can still collect items for MCC for delivery in mid September. Bags for the kits are also needed. There is fabric available at the church. Talk to Emilie Walson about fabric. The instructions are on the MCC website or see Lynn Ireland.

**Small group information!** Those who have indicated through conversation or filling out the small group form that they wish to be placed in a small group will be hearing from their small group leaders soon. There are two groups with room for new members who welcome you to join: 1) Saturday evening, once a month Bible Study with the Deatons leading. 2) Sunday 12:30 p.m., twice monthly fellowship and spiritual discussion group with Dean Habegger leading. If you are interested in joining either of these groups, see the leaders, and/or Gloria Hood and Donna Haines. We want everyone to have the fellowship and connection to a small group who is interested!

**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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