



# *FMC Weekly*

*June 11-17*

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## ***Worship Sunday, June 13 – 10:00 AM***

One worship service at 10 AM. Rhoda Blough and Theda Good, Mennonite Mutual Aid, will preach on Integrating Faith and Holistic Stewardship. The text is Psalm 24:1-10 and Matthew 6:25-34.

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## ***Education Sunday, June 6 – 11:00 AM***

### **For Children**

No classes for children.

### **For Adults**

Discussion on two services in the Community Center.

For this discussion, consider these questions:

- 1) Which services have you attended? Have you been in both the 8:30 and 11:00 services?
- 2) What has been your overall experience of the two-service venture? How has it felt to you spiritually, emotionally, practically?
- 3) What have you noticed about how others around you are experiencing this two service venture?
- 4) How do you see the two services serving or not serving the health and well-being of our congregation? What are the biggest benefits? Biggest challenges?

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## ***Events June 11 – 17***

### **Sunday, June 13**

10:00 AM: Worship Service

11:00 AM: Coffee/Donuts/Grocery Card Sales/Congregational Discussion

Noon CROP Walk - Potluck for walkers with walk to follow (see announcement below)

Afternoon: DOOR groups from Roanoke Mennonite Church, Eureka, IL and First Christian Church, Petersburg, IL arrive to use our building for the week.

### **Tuesday, June 15**

9:00 - 11:00 AM Quilting

5:30-8:30 PM Quilting

### **Wednesday, June 16**

7:00 PM Leadership Council Meeting

### **Thursday, June 17**

10:15 AM Hymn Sing and Meditation Round Table

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## ***Looking Ahead***

**Sunday, June 20:** Congregational Discussion about Master Plan

**Sunday, July 11:** First Congregational Discussion about 2011 Budget

**Sunday, August 15:** Congregational Meeting to discuss and vote about the Master Plan

**Sunday, August 29:** Second Congregational Discussion about 2011 Budget

## Prayers

We welcome your requests for prayer. Please e-mail your prayer request to the church office with "Prayer Requests" in the subject line. Also, if you would like prayer for any reason and do not want it to be published, feel free to contact Pastors Vern or Annie.

## Happy Anniversary

12 - Chris and Rachel Barnes  
12 - Ruth and Tom Friesen  
13 - Brett and Anne Friesen  
Birky  
13 - Ross and Allison Boehm  
Lehman  
15 - Charlotte and Ray Derstine  
15 - Judi and Ralph Nafziger  
15 - Lynn and Margaret  
Williams  
16 - Judy and Mahlon Amstutz  
17 - Glenda and Jeff Kauffman  
17 - Lois Keener and Jerry  
Winter  
17 - Mim and Wayne Roth  
17 - Joyce and Vernon Yost

## Happy Birthday

12 - Cindy Kraybill  
13 - Alma Groff  
14 - Ernie Kandel  
15 - Clint Schmidt  
17 - Mel Birky  
17 - Jonathan Moyer

## Attendance June 6

8:30 Service  
Adults - 37  
Children - 3  
Total - 40

11:30 Service  
Adults - 165  
Children - 34  
Total - 199

## Sermons

Sermons are posted on the FMC website. Prior sermons are also available. Look at the left side of the web page under "Recent Sermons." Hard copies of recent sermons are available in the literature rack in the Community Center.

## Our FMC Community

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**Welcome, Sarah!** We welcome Sarah Dieter, our Ministry Inquiry Program student. Sarah just completed her sophomore year at Goshen College as an inter-disciplinary major, part of which is in vocal music. She will be with us until mid-August. She grew up in Minneapolis and found her way to Goshen College via the internet. Sarah will be relating to both Betsy Headrick McCrae at Glennon Heights and Tory Doerksen and me as supervising pastors. I have already found Sarah to be a wonderful, energetic, joyful person. - Vern Rempel

**CROP Walk this Sunday.** Do something specific to address world hunger. Walk with our CROP Walk this Sunday or donate money for one of the walkers. We will have a potluck after church, at about 12:15, and then begin our walk around 1:00. Contact Deb Schaffer or Vern Rempel for more information.

**Are you feeling shaky on your hand quilting skills?** There will be a frame set up with patterns marked just for practicing and learning. Please come during regular quilting time on Tuesdays from 9 to 11 am or 5:30 to 8:30 pm. There will always be someone here to help you. If you have a favorite thimble, bring it.

**Interested in a discussion group opportunity?** Throughout this past year a group of us have met occasionally for discussion, potluck and singing, and anyone interested in joining is welcome to enter the conversation on Sunday, June 13th in Wash Park from 5- 7 pm to discuss two topics. First, Jon Moyer will lead a discussion on the Groupee project, a currency effort to move away from money and obligations into a different kind of capital. A group of Colorado-based Mennonites have created an alternative, community-oriented currency that has helped promote simple living and group interaction. The Groupee always accepts new participants, so you're welcome to join in! Second, we plan to discuss Mennonite and Christian belief and identity based on the article, <http://www.mennoweekly.org/2009/9/28/mennonite-not-christian>. We will explore the question of how we understand being a "secular Mennonite" and Christianity. We'll meet on the south side of the park just off E. Louisiana Ave, between S. Lafayette St and S. Marion St. We'll be in the grassy area just west of the tennis courts, which is near the lake. Plenty of parking on the street or in the South High School parking lot. Please bring lawn chairs or a blanket to sit on and a finger food/snack to share. Questions about the discussion group or Groupee? Contact Anne Gerber.

## An article by Lois Dewhurst

"GIVE A KID A BOOK"  
School Libraries for Kenya

History of this project: Our neighbors, Don Howard and Pat Colfer, approached us about the School Libraries for Kenya Project. They moved to Arvada from Chicago, after Don retired as a school principal and Pat as a teacher. They have been very involved in peace and justice, and have campaigned for political candidates that support this stand. They are active members of the Spirit of Christ Catholic Church in Arvada. For the past three years, they have been going to Kenya twice a year. In Kenya they have helped create libraries at 45 schools and orphanages in rural and impoverished areas of the country. As a result 60 other schools also approached them for assistance in order to add libraries to their schools. A commitment has been made to meet this demand. Since 120,000 books are needed for the 60 additional libraries, they are seeking help from businesses, schools, churches, etc.

## Menno Focus

June *Menno Focus* is available on the Welcome Table in the foyer.

## Links

For Mountain States Conference  
[www.MountainStatesMC.org](http://www.MountainStatesMC.org)

For Mennonite Church USA  
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## Market Square

*If you want to sell, buy, trade, get a ride, find a roommate, find an employee, find a job, find sponsors, or advertise an event requiring purchase of tickets, this section is for you! Please e-mail your request to the church with "Market Square" in the subject line. It will run one time. Deadline is midnight Wednesday.*

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in accruing the books. They are optimistic that this will happen. "People have just been marvelous about coming through on this work up till now and it will happen again". Don and Pat head up the project, under the auspices of the Arvada Sunrise Rotary and the SCOPE Project. (School Communities Offering projects that Empower), an NGO that they have founded. The organization is training /empowering the recipients to take on the continued work and upkeep of this project.

Please join in this worthwhile activity during the month of June. Most families and grandparents here in the U.S. have books, books, and more books lying around the house that are no longer in use. So it could just be a matter of going through several shelves of a book case in order to come up with a few or a bunch of books that could be used by the children of Kenya.

Dates of Book Collection for this project: Month of June. Please put books in the box located in the foyer, marked GIVE A KID A BOOK. Target Population: Students attending primary and secondary schools in rural Kenya. Also toddlers and preschool age children. Goal and Commitment of Project: 120,000 books and 60 more libraries. (40 already opened).

Type of Books desired: Either new or gently used fiction and non-fiction (poetry, biography, reference, etc.) books appropriate for elementary or secondary school libraries. Children's dictionaries, maps and encyclopedias (if not more than ten years old). Text books not accepted. Books for toddlers, picture books and the Big Books type (22x18") are highly desired.

Sponsors: Arvada Sunrise Rotary and SCOPE PROJECT (School Communities Offering Projects that Empower). Pat Colfer and Don Howard and the African Task Force of the Rotary. Questions: call Lois/Norm Dewhurst 303-431-7060.

Thank you for your help!

## **Around Mountain States Mennonite Conference**

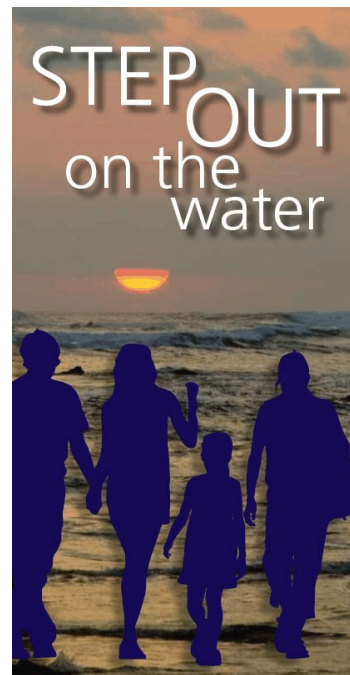
### **Annual Assembly 2010: Step Out on the Water**

August 6-8, 2010  
Pueblo Clarion Inn and Conference Center,  
4001 N. Elizabeth Street, Pueblo (I-25 &  
Hwy. 50)

Go to the Mountain States website for more details about Annual Assembly.

[www.MountainStatesMC.org](http://www.MountainStatesMC.org)

Summer season is upon us at First Mennonite! And there are fun things to do with church folks this summer. One big one is the Annual Assembly of our Mountain States Mennonite Conference. There will be great worship, no boring meetings, activities for children, an indoor swimming pool, air-conditioned low-cost rooms in convention center.



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Come to the Celebration:

1. Enter 38°18'35.20"N 104°36'58.43"W coordinates into your car GPS on your way home from church.
2. Enter into your iCal, Blackberry, iPhone August 6-8, 2010 Friday – Sunday
3. Download and listen to Step Out on the Water hosted at MCMCPL.ORG ©Dave Foncannon 1988, performed by Fireweed.

See you in Pueblo!

## ***Mennonite Church USA***

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**Pittsburgh 2011:** Even though the summer has just begun, it's not too early to start getting excited about Pittsburgh 2011, next year's Mennonite Church USA convention! Start planning to make convention next year's family summer vacation destination. Have your youth group start planning fund-raisers and posting comments on the Pittsburgh 2011 Facebook page. Decide next year will be the year you finally attend as a delegate to represent your congregation.

**From Mennonite Mission Network:** A ground blessing on the site of the future Mennonite Church USA Elkhart (Ind.) office building is scheduled for 2 p.m. on Tuesday. Pray that all who participate may be strengthened by the Holy Spirit to continue their commitment to the growth of Christ's body through worship, mission and generosity.

**From Mennonite Education Agency:** Pray for four Bethel College students beginning Ministry Inquiry Program (MIP) assignments: Naomi Graber (Elkhart, IN) at Community Mennonite Church in Markham, Ill.; John Miller (Partridge, KS) at Christ Community Church in Des Moines, Iowa; Sarah Pohl (Moundridge, KS.) at First Mennonite Church in Reedley, Calif.; and Caleb Regehr (Whitewater, KS) at San Antonio Mennonite Church in Texas.