



FMC Weekly

November 20 -26

Worship this Sunday, November 22

First Fruits Celebration. Pastors Annie Lengacher Browning and Vern Rempel will share reflections in connection with our First Fruits ritual.

For a listing of future worship services and the choir schedule, go to the FMC website at <http://www.fmcdenver.org>.

Education this Sunday, November 22

For Children

The lesson title is "sing to the Lord." The scripture/Bible story is Psalm 98. The psalmist praises God's steadfast love and faithfulness to all of creation. God has brought victory to the people and is to be praised with lyre, trumpets and horns. The faith focus for younger children is "all creation sings to God" for older children "all creation rejoices in the renewed covenant." The children's fall mission project is collecting gift items for Broadway Assistance Center to distribute.

For Adults

Formation 101 - Anabaptist/Mennonite spirituality - Annie Lengacher Browning. Meets in the Sanctuary.

The Godfather and the Old Testament Part 2: Tory Doerksen will offer Part 2 of his reflections and discussion about the Godfather movie trilogy and the Old Testament. The second session will look at moral decisions and ethics of Don Corleone alongside the likes of Abraham and others in Genesis. Please watch the film ahead of time so you'll have a good grasp of what's going on. (After this Sunday we'll be moving to Godfather II if you want to get ahead on your moving watching.) Room B-21

Complaint Free World Challengees: How many complaint free days have you had so far? A follow up session to Complaint Free World will be held in the Assistance Office (B-18) (end of long hall, downstairs) Please come and share your experience with your complaint free challenge. If you have fallen off the wagon, come and get a boost! Lori Oswald

For information about upcoming Adult Education, go to <http://firstofdenver.co.us.mennonite.net/Education/Adult%20Ed>

Events November 20–26

November 22

- Choir rehearse at 8:30 am
- Congregational Meeting to vote on proposed 2010 Budget
- Purchase gift cards for the Head Start families in our building in the Community Center
- Venture Club meets at noon for lunch and to decorate FMC Christmas tree
- FMC Shopping Day at Ten Thousand Villages. 11 am-4 pm, 2626 E 3rd Ave., Denver

November 26

- Round Table does not meet due to Thanksgiving.

Prayer Requests

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.

Please pray for Susie Nagpal who was diagnosed several weeks ago with stage four lung cancer. Susie and her husband Amit Nagpal live in San Jose, Calif. Susie and Amit have two children - one in HS, the other in college. Amit and Susie provided an enormous amount of care during Reed's (my son's) battle with Leukemia this past year. Now it is unfortunate Susie must too endure this battle with cancer. Thank you for your prayers. Diane White

Happy Anniversary

26 - Nicole and Steve Kandelind

Happy Birthday

20 - Levi Stutzman
21 - Simon Ammar
21 - Glenn Shirk
21 - Stefen Wyse
22 - Erin Gotwals
24 - Ash Hill
25 - Miriam Roth
25 - Vionetta Schmidt
26 - Jim Clymer

Attendance November 15

Church was canceled due to weather.

Our FMC Community

There is a congregational meeting on Sunday, November 22, to vote on the proposed 2010 Budget. If you need an absentee ballot, please contact the church office. Absentee ballots are due by noon on Saturday, November 21.

Gift Cards for Head Start. This year we will be giving the families of our Head Start preschoolers gift cards as a way of connecting with the families and children. We will not be collecting hats and mittens as we have for many years. Glennon Heights Mennonite Church is putting together hats and mittens for the children. Please look for Joann Roupp at the orange "Grocery Card" flag to purchase your gift cards. Last year the families who received the gift cards expressed gratitude for the extra help around the holiday season. If you are interested in participating, there will be opportunities to buy gift cards in the Community Center on November 22, 29 and December 6 and 13.

The FMC office will be closed on Wednesday, November 25 through Friday, November 27. Deadline for the FMC Weekly is midnight, Tuesday, November 24. If you have a concern during this time of closure, please call Annie or Vern on their cell phone.

Ten Thousand Villages Annual Holiday Shopping Day

Come to Ten Thousand Villages this coming Sunday, November 22, after church from 11 am to 4 pm for FMC's annual shopping day! Do your holiday shopping while supporting artisans from 38 countries as well as your local Cherry Creek Ten Thousand Villages. If that's not motivation enough, there will also be beautiful new nativities, ornaments, tasty goodies and free parking! Plus, when you check out, if you mention you are with FMC, you will receive a 10% discount.

Jr. Youth - Save the Date! We will have a Christmas party on Friday, December 11 from 7 to 10 pm. More details will come soon!

Congratulations and best wishes to these families with new babies:

- **Brad Miller** and **Jessica Yoder** welcome son, **Silas Emerson Miller Yoder**, born November 1, 2009.
- **Greg Devlin** and **Natalia Terekhova** welcome son, **Alexander Demian Devlin**, born November 13, 2009.

Menno Focus

November issue of *Menno Focus* is available at www.fmcdenver.org/Newsletters or on the Welcome Table in the foyer.

Conference Connections

The November issue of *Conference Connections* is available at on the Welcome Table in the foyer.

Emergency Closure

When weather or any other emergency event necessitates last minute cancellation of worship or other events here at FMC, the following procedure will be followed: 1) Email will be sent to all known FMC email addresses. If you receive the email and know someone who does not have email, please call them to let them know. 2) A message will be left on the FMC Worship and Activities Line. Call 303-892-1038 and press 1 at the prompt. 3) If possible, we'll post the info on Channels 4, 7 & 9.

Links

For Mountain States Conference
www.MountainStatesMC.org

For Mennonite Church USA
www.MennoniteUSA.org

Contact Us

FMC General Mailbox
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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 be run one time. Deadline is midnight Wednesday.

I am looking for a ride to/from the Hesston, KS area over Thanksgiving. If you have room available, please contact me at erinesharp@gmail.com or 303-518-1157. Thank you! Erin Sharp

Pastoral Search Committee Update: Committee members have spent the past several weeks engaging potential candidates in initial conversations about the position. This level of inquiry has included questions regarding current availability and interest in this geographic location as well as the position itself. If interest and compatibility are established, each candidate's MLI (Ministerial Leadership Information) form will be reviewed. The names of interested candidates will continue to remain confidential at this point. Please feel free to contact any of the committee members if you have any questions. Respectfully submitted by the Pastoral Search Committee: Cindy Eby (chair), Stephanie Miller, Amy Conrad, Dave Harguth, Annie and Vern.

Mennonite Church USA

From Mennonite Mission Network: On November 22, participants are concluding the first Korean Mennonite leaders' consultation in Pasadena, Calif. May God guide these church leaders as they return to their congregations in the United States and in South Korea to share what they learned.

From Mennonite Education Agency: Thank God for the musical gifts of the Bethel College and wider Newton, KS community as Bethel instrumentalists join with the Newton Mid-Kansas Symphony Orchestra for a concert on campus this afternoon. adventure course, an experiential learning venue, on the Bethel College (North Newton, Kan.) campus this fall.