

# First Mennonite Church

November 2, 2008

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## Welcome!

The purpose of **F**irst **M**ennonite **C**hurch is to:

**F**OLLOW JESUS

**M**ATURE IN FAITH

**C**ARRY THE GOOD NEWS

Sunday School, Worship, and all our church activities  
equip and strengthen us to fulfill that purpose.

**We invite members, friends, and visitors to  
join us on the journey!**

**9:15-9:40** – Snacks & conversation in Fellowship Hall

**9:40-10:20** – *Sunday School*

PreK-5 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Room 30
Junior High	Room 11
High School	Room 13
Mosaic	Room 22
Gather 'Round	Fellowship Hall

**10:30** – *Worship*

[A nursery is available in Room 10 downstairs for your use.]

Prelude

Jan Reimer

Today's message is from Psalm 107, in which God's deliverance is a central theme. Notice the word "deliver" in all of our hymns this morning.

Call to Worship [based on Psalm 29]

L: In holy splendor, we worship the Lord.

**P: In God is glory and strength.**

**ALL: The Lord is mighty. God is with us.**

L: In torrents and storms, God's peace pervades.

**P: In rumbling thunder, the mighty voice soothes.**

**ALL: The Lord is majestic. God is with us.**

L: The whisper of the Lord snaps silence.

**P: The unwavering sound persists.**

**ALL: The Lord is awesome. God is with us.**

L: As flames being fanned, the presence grows.

**P: In its shadow, the wilderness pleads.**

**ALL: The Lord is powerful. God is with us.**

L: Enthroned, God rules the universe.

**P: The peaceful scepter prevails.**

**ALL: God reigns. God is with us.**

L: In whirling winds, nature acknowledges glory.

**P: The people in the temple rejoice.**

**ALL: It is certain. God is with us.**

[from Words for Worship; used by permission of Herald Press]

Prayer

\*Hymn #592 "Love divine, all loves excelling"

Celebration of Church Membership – Marilyn Goossen  
Congregational Response #794

**Special Music – Violin & Piano Medley  
For All the Saints", "God of Our Life"  
Emm Hiebert & Sylvia Cross**

Message: Pilgrims from Four Directions  
-- a singing celebration of Psalm 107  
[tune: "For the beauty of the earth"]

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Offering Prayer [unison]

**Giver of Life, prosper for us the work of our hands in faith. Prosper for us the work of our gifts offered in gratitude. Prosper for us the joy of our life in following the Christ. Amen.**

Offering – Church General Fund

Memorial: Gertrude Claassen, Katie Claassen,  
Elizabeth Reimer, Edna Claassen

Sharing Joys and Concerns

Prayer

\*Hymn #615 “Shall we gather at the river”

\*Blessing

\*Postlude



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