

**First Mennonite Church
January 24, 2021**

Welcome and announcements Kendra Nickel
Prelude Laura Hartzler
Invocation
STJ 27 *God of the Bible*
Community Prayer Wanda Stopher
Conversation with Friends Gloria Hernandez Bucher
**Bluffton Area Ministerial Association Service of Prayer for
Christian Unity**
Introduction Rev. Karol Farris Schilling
John 15:1-17 Pastor Wanda Stopher
Message on the unity of the whole person
Prayer Rev. Katherine Beckett
1 Corinthians 1:10-13 Pastor Bob Clinger
Message on the visible unity of Christians

Prayer Rev. Kevin Mohr
Revelation 7:9-12 Rev. Karol Farris Schilling
Message on the unity of all peoples and all creation
Prayer Fr. John McLoughlin
HWB 373 *Thou true Vine, that heals*
Dedication Prayer
Offertory Laura Hartzler
HWB 420 *Heart with loving heart united*
Call to Prayer and Blessing Rev. Jeremy Mann

*HWB – Hymnal: A Worship Book; STJ – Sing the Journey;
STS – Sing the Story; VT -- Voices Together*

*Parts of our service were pre-recorded. Participants are following safe-
distancing practices.*

*In response to God's unconditional love for all people, we joyfully and
unconditionally welcome you to join us on our journey of faith in Jesus
Christ. We are committed to breaking down dividing walls and building
community where all are loved and accepted. We believe in active
inclusion and invite each one to participate in the life and ministry of our
congregation.*

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Church Staff

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Our stewardship

Total spending plan giving January 2021 to date	\$14,993
Avg monthly offering needed to meet 2020 spending plan	\$37,136

First Mennonite Church is affiliated with the Central District Conference of Mennonite Church USA. The Mennonites are named after Menno Simons, one of our early church leaders, and are rooted historically in the “Anabaptist” movement, which began in 1525, with origins in Switzerland, Germany, and the Netherlands now reaching around the world. Some primary Anabaptist convictions then and now are following Jesus Christ in service to others, rejection of violence and war, and joyful community life.

