

Reveal to us your resurrection power and love

First Mennonite Church

April 12, 2020

Welcome Jeff Boehr

Announcements

Prelude *Toccata* Benjamin M. Culli
LuAnn Stuckey

*Call to Worship

Leader: The Lord is risen!

People: The Lord is risen indeed!

Leader: Let all the people of *First Mennonite Church*
declare:

People: The Lord is risen indeed!

Leader: Let all the earth declare:

People: The Lord is risen indeed!

All: Hallelujah!

*Hymn *Christ the Lord risen today* HWB 280

Confession of Faith

Since we have been raised to new life with Christ, we set our sights on the realities of heaven where Christ sits in the place of honor at God's right hand. We think about the things of heaven. We too have died to the things of this earth and our real life is hidden with Christ in God. And when Christ, who is our life, is revealed to the whole world, we will share in all his glory. Thanks be to God (Colossians 3:1-4, NLT).

Conversation with Friends

Mast family

Community Prayer

Theda Good

Scripture Matthew 28:1-10

Jane Steinmetz

Sermon

Wanda Stopher

Invitation

*Hymn *Lift your glad voices* HWB 275

Presenting our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory *Come, Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain*

David N. Johnson

*Prayer of Dedication

Hallelujah Chorus

G.F. Handel

**Please rise in body or in spirit.*

HWB Hymnal: A Worship Book; STJ Sing the Journey, STS Sing the Story

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

- Pastor Wanda Stopher – Monday-Thursday, 9-4, off Friday; 419-551-1079; wanda@fmcbluffton.org
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Our stewardship

Total spending plan giving April 2020 to date \$6,903.18
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.

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