

**First Mennonite Church
The Gospel According to Plants
June 13, 2021**

Welcome and announcements Chris Moser

Prelude Jackie Wyse-Rhodes

Invocation

*VT 175 *Planets Humming as They Wander*
Jan Wiebe, flute

Plant Reflection Dave Moser

*Responsive Reading from Psalm 104:31-35

One: Bless the Lord, O my soul. O Lord my God, you are very great.

Many: You cause the grass to grow for the cattle, plants for people to use, to bring forth food from the earth,

One: and wine to gladden the human heart, oil to make the face shine,

Many: and bread to strengthen the human heart.

One: I will sing to the Lord as long as I live;

Many: I will sing praise to my God while I have being.

All: May my meditation be pleasing to him, for I rejoice in the Lord.

Conversation with Friends

Carrie Mast

Community Prayer

Adam Phillips

Scripture

Mark 14:3-9

Message

Gift

Wanda Stopher

*VT 644

Healer of Our Every Ill

Offertory

Jackie Wyse-Rhodes

*VT 179

At the Dawn of Your Creation

*Benediction

Postlude

**Please rise in body or in spirit.*

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

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.

First Mennonite Church, 101 S. Jackson St., Bluffton, Ohio 45817
419-358-5766 | fmcbluffton.org

Church Staff

- Pastor Wanda Stopher – Monday-Thursday, off Friday; 419-551-1079; wanda@fmcbluffton.org
- Pastor Jeff Boehr – Tuesday & Friday; 419-236-9150; jeff@fmcbluffton.org
- Children and Youth Ministry Director – Carrie Mast, 419-230-1568, mastc@bluffton.edu
- Director of Music – Mark Suderman, WFH 419-230-5368; sudermanme@bluffton.edu
- Administrative Asst. – Mary Pannabecker Steiner; 419-358-5766; fmc@fmcbluffton.org

Video editor: Ray Raeburn

Camera: Glen Buller

Sound: Kevin Cluts

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.

