

# 4th Sunday after the Epiphany

## Gathering

Welcome and announcements Melissa Friesen  
Prelude *A Joyful Day* (D. Wood) LuAnn Stuckey  
Invocation  
\*Opening Hymn VT 80 *We Sing to You, O God*  
Don Hooley, Trumpet descant

\*Responsive Reading - selected verses from Psalm 71

One: In you, O Lord, I take refuge; let me never be put to shame.  
**Many: In your righteousness deliver me and rescue me; incline your ear to me and save me.**  
One: Be to me a rock of refuge, a strong fortress, to save me,  
**Many: for you are my rock and my fortress.**  
One: Upon you I have leaned from my birth;  
**Many: it was you who took me from my mother's womb.**  
**All: My praise is continually of you.**

## Telling God's Story

Conversation with Children Jen Benroth  
Hymn VT 515 *O Little Children, Gather* (sing v. 1 as children come forward and v. 3 as they return to their seats)  
Community Prayer Gloria Hernandez Bucher

Prayer Response *Thou Knowest, Lord* (Henry Purcell)

Thou knowest, Lord, the secrets of our hearts; shut not thy merciful ears unto our prayers; but spare us, Lord most holy, O God most mighty, O holy and most merciful Saviour, thou most worthy Judge eternal, suffer us not, at our last hour, for any pains of death, to fall from thee.

Amen. Chancel Choir

Scripture Jeremiah 1:4-10 & I Corinthians 13:1-13 (NRSV)

Message *Love Shack Baby* Susie Gratz  
Gerald Mast

## Living God's Story

\*Hymn of Response VT#749 *Jesus Christ is Love Divine*

Offering

Words of Invitation

Offertory

*Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven*

A. K. Organ

Dedication Prayer

## Sending

\*Hymn of Sending

VT#831 *Blest Be the Tie that Binds*

\*Benediction

Postlude

*\*Please rise in body or in spirit.*

VT - *Voices Together* (Purple Bound Book)

HWB - *Hymnal: A Worship Book* (Blue Bound Book)

STJ - *Sing the Journey* (Green Spiral Book)

STS - *Sing the Story* (Purple Spiral Book)

*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.*



Welcome to  
**First Mennonite Church**

January 30, 2022

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Office Hours

- Monday, Wednesday, & Friday 9:00am-3:30pm
- Tuesday & Thursday 9:00am-4:30pm

**Video:** Ray Raeburn

**Sound:** Chris Moser

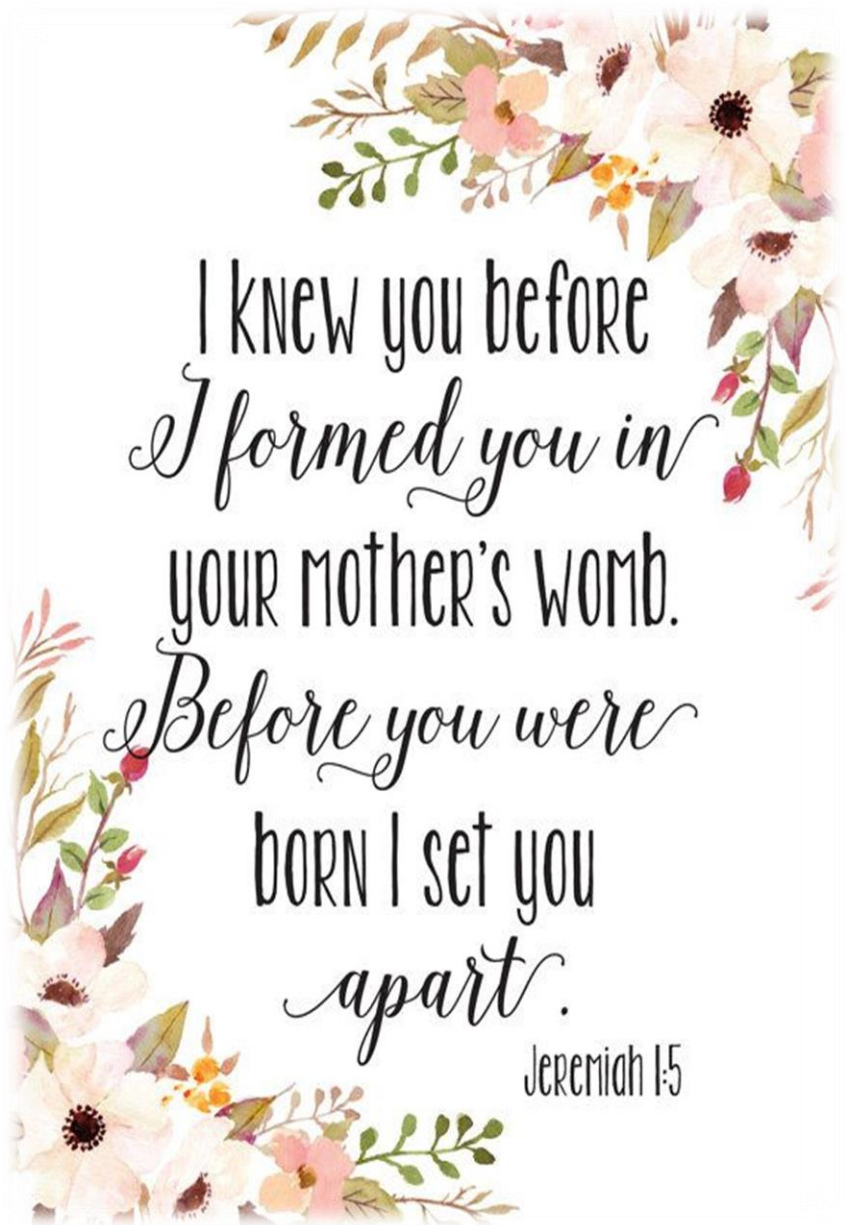
**Chancel:** Mary Ann Suter

**Nursery Care:**

*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.*

**1/16/22 – 1/23/22**

**Reported Volunteer hours: 30**



I KNEW you before  
I formed you in  
your mother's womb.  
Before you were  
born I set you  
apart.

Jeremiah 1:5