**First Mennonite Church of Christian**

Pastor Laura Goerzen, Organist Roberta Gingerich,

Worship Leader – Pat Krehbiel

July 4, 2021

**Gathering and Praising**

Prelude

Introit FMCC Singers

Welcome

Announcements

Call to Worship

One: O living God, who raised Jesus from the dead, we shout your great victory; we sing hymns of praise!

**Many: Even when our hearts are heavy and our eyes are dimmed by sorrow, you are faithful. You wipe away all tears and bring joy in the morning.**

One: Teach us, O God, to trust your gracious love, to rest in your unfailing goodness, to hope in your true promise, that we may rejoice all our days and share the good news:

***ALL: Death is defeated! All are made alive in you. Alleluia! Amen!***

*\*Gathering Hymn – “I Sing The Mighty Power of God” VT #182*

Scripture Reading – Revelation 21:1-6

Children’s Time

Special Music FMCC Singers

**Receiving God’s Word**

Sermon - “Spring always comes” Laura Goerzen

Hymn of Response – “In the Bulb there is a Flower” VT #670

**Sharing with One Another**

Sharing Joys and Prayer Requests

Prayer of the Church

**Going in God’s Name**

\*Sending Song FMCC Singers

*\*Benediction*

Postlude

\**Those who are able are invited to stand*

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**Portraits of Faith:**

**Laura’s concluding exhortations**

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**Moundridge, KS**

**A welcoming Community of Christians for Peace**

**July 4, 2021**

**Opportunities**

**Today:** 10:30 Worship Service

**July 5:**  Library meeting, 7:00 pm

**July 11:** Laura’s last Sunday

**July 15:** Laura’s last day in the office

**July 28:** Church Board, 8:00 pm

**Sunday, July 11:** Organist – Bev Hasan, Worship Leader – Lurline Wiens, Special music – Jim & Roberta Gingerich

Live simply so that others may simply live.
                 - Mother Seton

**Announcements**

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**My Coins count:** The total from our congregation is $111.91. Thank you for your help. Also, a big thank you to all the people who backed pies. It is very much appreciated.

**July Library Meeting** will be Monday, July 5, 7pm.

**On July 11, Laura’s last Sunday with us,** we will have a catered meal to send her and John off. There is a signup sheet on the south bulletin board.

Please sign your name if will be attending the meal. Donations for the meal and gift for Laura and family will be accepted.

 **Rather than selecting a Saturday for church clean up**, we were trying a signup method.  Sign up for a project that you’d want to do and then coordinate times with the others.  You can choose your day and time.  See the south bulletin board for a signup sheet.

**Pine Village is currently taking pre-orders** for our 2021 Benefit Day Pulled Pork & Baby Back Ribs Fundraiser! This is a new date, as the previous was postponed. If you already submitted a Pre-Order you do not need to again unless you are wanting to add to it. Pre-Orders are due July 7th to Pine Village and pick up is Saturday, July 17th from 9-11am at the Pine Village Wellness Center. Thank you for your support!”

**Mark your calendars for Vacation Bible School,** three nights: July 11-13 at West Zion!  We’re looking forward to getting VBS started again after a year off, and we need volunteers to make it happen.  Can you help?  VBS is a great time to reach out and connect kids to the love of Christ.  Contact Lory Fisher with questions or to volunteer! (620-794-6125; huffycross58@gmail.com)

**Family Weekend at Camp Mennoscah** on July 17-18!  If you are looking for a weekend to escape, Family Weekend offers a smorgasbord of camp activities for you to choose from and plenty of time to roam the river and be with your family and friends.  Register at [campmennoscah.org](http://campmennoscah.org/) and contact 620-297-3290 with questions!