



Orrville Mennonite Church

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Worship Order for February 4, 2024

Welcome

Singing	<i>I Sing the Mighty Power of God*</i>	WB 46
	<i>Holy Spirit, Come with Power*</i>	WB 26

The lamps will be lit during the opening songs.

- As we light these lamps, we remember:
- Our sisters, brothers, friends, partners.
- Our laments.
- Our thanksgivings.
- The hope we have together in Christ.

Responsive Reading Psalm 23*

Leader: The Lord is my shepherd;

All: *I shall not want.*

Leader: [The Lord] makes me to lie down in green pastures;
He leads me beside the still waters.

All: *[The Lord] restores my soul;*

Leader: [The Lord] leads me in the paths of righteousness for His name's sake.

Piano Side: *Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil;*

Offering Side: For You are with me; Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me.

Leader: You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;

Piano Side: *You anoint my head with oil;*

Offering Side: My cup runs over.

All: *Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.*

Songs and Scriptures with an “*” today are favorites of Ralph Rheinheimer’s. We celebrate Ralph’s birthday, Saturday, Feb. 3

Usher, Ken Wenger
PA Operator, Norm Sohar
Song Leader, Jane Beyeler
Accompanist, Marilyn Rossiter
Reader, Sandy Miller
Sharing and Prayer, Marion Beyeler

Greeters Today, Sherm and LaVonne Amstutz
Next Sunday, Elisabeth Hilliard
Worship Nursery, Marilyn Kamp
Next Sunday, Sandy Miller
Sunday School Nursery, Rollie and Jan Kauffman
Next Sunday, Kathy Troyer
Sunday Morning Trustee (February), Willie Miller

Announcements

We express our sincere sympathies to the family of Lois Leidig at this time of loss. Lois passed away on February 1st. We rejoice with Lois’ wholeness in the Lord, and we sit in mourning with Shari, Scott, and the family. A contribution will be made to the I.W. Royer Fund in Lois’s memory.

Next Sunday, February 11th we are very thankful to be receiving Sky Lofty into our church membership!

Monday Meals. This past Monday, January 29, we served 152 meals. This week, February 5, we will serve beef stew, rolls, and a piece of fruit.

Women’s Breakfast will be at Lou Erb's next Saturday, February 10, starting at 8:30. Some kind of egg casserole will be served. Feel free to add to the meal or not. Please let her know if you can make it and if you are bringing a guest. Hope to see you there!

February/March Dollar Project. The \$Project for the month of February and the first two Sundays of March will support Austin and Griselda Zuercher in God's ministries in Honduras. This is the

second year of our commitment to this couple in ministry there. We are committed to \$500, and anything given above that amount will also go to them for their financial support. A Recap of their year 2023 is on the Bulletin Board at the bottom of the back entry stairway. Thank you for your generosity.

Lunch and Conversation – Sunday, February 11, 2024. Our Ohio Conference has been working on a strategic plan for the last couple of years. Each congregation is being asked to discuss the plan and give feedback before our Ohio Conference gathering on March 1-2. We will use our monthly carry-in meal for our feedback session. Copies of the documents are in your church mailboxes.

Worship and Fellowship Series – *The Jesus Way*. Along with Oak Grove, Crown Hill, and Wooster Mennonite Churches, we are in a sermon series called, *The Jesus Way*, looking at Anabaptist Faith and Practice. Herald Press has a series of 10 books, focused around questions of faith and practice, called *The Jesus Way, Little Books of Radical Faith*. Last week, we took a look at church – a gathered community of Jesus followers who spur one another on to good works and are used by God to bless the world. This Sunday, February 4, we continue to look at *What is the Church and why does it exist?* We'll look at the places a church does its work and consider who we are as Orrville Mennonite Church. The next Wednesday Supper and Bible Study will be at **Wooster Mennonite Church from 6:00 – 8:00 pm, February 14.**

Prayer Time. Church Growth – The elders invite you to a time of prayer, specifically for our church to grow. Jesus replied, "Truly I tell you, if you have faith as small as a mustard seed, you can say to this mountain, 'Move from here to there,' and it will move. Nothing will be impossible for you." Matthew 17:20-21. As we come together, in faith, we will discover how nothing is impossible for our Lord. **Prayer times will be 8:45am every other Sunday.** We will meet in the room under the balcony... If you are unable to attend in person, perhaps you can commit to spending

time in prayer asking our Lord to open our doors for others to walk through so that they will know the love of our Lord and experience our Love Step Prayer in action. The next prayer time will be **Sunday, February 11th**.

An invitation! Please consider parking on the side of the church and entering through the front door of the church if you are willing and able. It's another way to make the front of our building more open and inviting to our community.

Coffee time! Coffee, tea and hot chocolate will be available upstairs in the church beginning at 9:00 am. Please consider coming earlier than 9:30 so you have some time to sit and enjoy a cup before the service begins at 9:30. There will be a place for coats in the overflow in addition to the row of hooks near the elevator and the coat rack near the library.

Thank you from Mennonite Central Committee. At Mennonite Central Committee we are so grateful for the many ways you support the work of MCC and our partners around the world. Whether it's through gathering one of our kits, volunteering at events and thrift shops, collecting My Coins Count (\$1,869.94!), or offering prayers for this work and the people who are touched, we appreciate your partnership in this important ministry. In particular, thank you to our friends and supporters at Orrville for your generous donation of \$5,200 during 2023.

Offering Report for Sunday, January 28, 2024

Ministry Spending Plan: \$2,221.91

Dollar Project (Wayne Co Shelter): \$570.25

Schedule At-A-Glance for February 4 – 11, 2024

Sunday, February 4

Coffee Time, **9:00 am**

Worship Service, **9:30 am**

Bill Seymour preaching

Sunday School, **10:45 am**

Monday, February 5

Monday Meals, 5:30 pm

Wednesday, February 7

Axis Youth Group, 6:30 pm

Thursday, February 8

Elder Council, 3:30 pm

Saturday, February 10

Women's Breakfast at Lou Erb's, 8:30 am

Sunday, February 11

Prayer Time, **8:45 am**

Coffee Time, **9:00 am**

Worship Service **9:30 am**

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Sunday School, **10:45 am**

Monthly Carry-In Meal, 12 noon

Conversation about Ohio Conference Strategic Plan

Looking Ahead

February 14 6:00-8:00 pm – Six Church Supper
and Bible Study at Wooster MC

March 1 & 2 55th Ohio Annual Conference Assembly
at Sharon MC

March 8 & 9 Ohio MCC Comforter Bash at Fairlawn MC

April 3 Spring Congregational Meeting, 7 pm

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