

Volunteers needed for Mennonite Disaster Service. MDS is asking for volunteers to help out after the severe flooding in Louisiana. They could use people immediately for clean-up, and will also be working in the area for the foreseeable future as people return and rebuild. If you would like to help and are in need of funding to go, there are monies available in the Short Term Mission Fund. Please contact the church office for an application.

Happy Anniversary to:

Monday John and Barb Shilling



Please remember these persons by sending a card, calling them or offering a special prayer of thanks for them.

Coming Events:

- September 28 Year of Covenant Meeting at Maple Grove MC
- October 2 Axis Youth Group Bike Ride – all are invited, 2 pm
- October 9 Songs & Salsa at Old Church at Sonnenberg Village
6:30 pm, Free Will Offering for Open Arms
- October 15 AHA – A Night for Married Couples at Crown Hill MC
- October 15, 17-18 Meat Canning at the Gerber Building in Kidron
- October 23 Men's and Women's Conferences at
Martins and Chestnut Ridge Mennonite Churches
- October 30 Fifth Sunday Mission Offering
Partnership Plan Fundraiser Meal, 12 noon

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September 18, 2016

"We are dedicated to loving God and loving people"

To the Glory of God and through the power of the Holy Spirit, it is our mission to be a loving community of believers who intentionally further God's Kingdom by going out and loving all people, sharing the good News of Jesus Christ and making disciples.

Community Forms

Welcome
Holy, Holy, Holy! WB 120
Holy, Holy, Holy WB 75

Theme Verse – **Ephesians 1.13b-14**

...When you believed in Christ, you were marked in Him with a seal – the Holy Spirit – whom God promised long ago. 14 The Spirit is God's guarantee that God will give us the inheritance God promised and that God has purchased us to be His own people. God did this so we would praise and glorify him.

Rain Down SJ 49

Community Submits

To God...

Moment in Mission & Story for God's Children—Relief Meat Canning
Community Prayer (from Ephesians 3.14-21)

God, You are creator of everything in heaven and on earth.
You are in charge.

We pray that out of Your glorious riches You will strengthen us with power through Your Holy Spirit.

May Christ dwell in our hearts through faith.

In Your strength, as we grow deeply in Your love, may we be able to grasp how wide & long, how high & deep the love of Christ is.

Let us know this love that surpasses knowledge—that we may be filled to the measure of all Your fullness, O God.

You are able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine.

God, as Your power is at work within us, be glorified in us and in the whole church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen.



Offering/Prayer

(God's children are invited to bring offerings for the "My Coins Count")

Jesus, Help Us Live in Peace SJ 52

To Teaching...

Scripture Ephesians 4:1-6

Message *One*

Pastor Bill Seymour

Will You Let Me Be Your Servant WB 307

Jesus, Be the Centre

To Each Other...

Sharing and Prayer/ Announcements

Community Goes

Love Step Prayer

Lord, put someone in front of me so I will meet them with love where they are. Help me to learn from them and walk with them in a way that we can both grow closer to Christ.

Benediction

Now, we go from here into the world, sealed in Christ through the Holy Spirit, to be God's love wherever we go.

Reader: Rory Lewandowski Song Leader: Carol Rheinheimer

Worship Band: Anita and Natalie Fisher, Bill and Allison Seymour

Today (September 18)

9:30 a.m. Fellowship and Coffee

9:45 a.m. Worship Service

10:45 a.m. Sharing, Announcements and Fellowship

11:05 a.m. Sunday School

Tuesday

6:00 p.m. WINGS – *Hey, Abram* (Snack – Sandy S)

Wednesday

6:30 p.m. BreakAway – *Messy Game Night* (Snack – Martha)

6:30 p.m. Axis Youth Group – *Service Night* (Snack – L&J Gerber)

Next Sunday (September 25) Peace Sunday

9:30 a.m. Fellowship and Coffee

9:45 a.m. Worship Service

Theme: *Be Still and Know that I am God*

Scripture: Mark 1:29-39 & Psalm 46:1-3, 8-11

Message: Rory Lewandowski, Marilyn Kamp
and Doug Zehr

10:45 a.m. Sharing, Announcements and Fellowship

11:05 a.m. Sunday School (Grow Group Demonstration)

Last Sunday (September 11)

Ministry Spending Plan: \$1,837.00

Weekly MSP Needed: \$3,452.96

CCS Partnership Plan: \$

Weekly PP Needed: \$897.35

Greeters Today Mark and Jen Bixler Family

Next Sunday Virgil and Kathy Troyer, Ken and Rita Wenger

Elder Greeter Today Jen Bixler **Next Sunday** Marilyn Kamp

Worship Nursery Today Rollie and Jan Kauffman

Next Sunday Virgil and Kathy Troyer

Coffee Hospitality Today Allison Seymour

Next Sunday Sherm and LaVonne Amstutz

Welcome to our worship service! If you are a visitor or guest, please fill out one of the welcome cards found on the ends of each pew and place it in the offering plate. There is space on the back of these cards for anyone to share a prayer request or concern. You can hand it to Pastor Bill or an elder or put it in the box outside the church office.

Encouragement cards are available at the end of each pew. Please feel free to use these cards to write a note of encouragement to someone this week. You can leave your note on the pew and Jan will mail it for you or you can mail/deliver it yourself.

We will observe Peace Sunday on Sunday, September 25th. We will be hearing from Rory Lewandowski, Marilyn Kamp and Doug Zehr on the theme of "Be Still and Know that I am God".

Grow Group Demonstration next Sunday, September 25th. During the Sunday School hour, we will have a second Grow Group demonstration in the fellowship hall.

Meat Canning dates for this year are Saturday, October 15 and Monday and Tuesday, October 17 & 18. Mennonite Central Committee's Mobile Meat Canner will be in Kidron at the Gerber Building where we will be canning 30,000 pounds of turkey! We need your help, especially on Saturday!

Axis Youth Group Bike Ride. All are invited to join the youth on a bike ride on Sunday afternoon, **October 2nd beginning at 2 p.m.** The ride will begin in Dalton and you can ride the bike trail to Massillon and back or as far as you choose! Light snacks will be served.

Songs and Salsa, October 9, 2016 at the Old Church at Sonnenberg Village. Come, enjoy traditional music from the Andes Mountains with Melvin Lopez and Jon Geiser. The evening will begin at 6:30 p.m. with Dayspring Christian Fellowship's Music Team followed by Lopez y Geiser. Enjoy tortilla chips served with a variety of flavorful salsas and dips! A free will offering will be received to benefit Open Arms Hispanic Ministries. Sonnenberg Village is located at 13515 Hackett Road on the outskirts of Kidron, Ohio.

Why?

Because, in Christ, we are _____.
Ephesians 2.11-3.13

One Body

One Spirit

See also John 17, 1 Corinthians 12.13-14, Romans 12.4-5, Ephesians 2.14-3.11

One Hope

See also Ephesians 1.18-23, 1 Peter 1.3, 1 Peter 3.15

One Lord

See also John 14.6, Hebrews 1.1-4, 2.8

One Baptism

See also Matthew 28.18-20, Mark 1.7-8, Acts 2.38-39, Acts 8.26-40, Acts 10.34-48, Colossians 2.9-12

One God and Father of all.

In Charge!

See also Genesis 1, Exodus 20.1-11, John 1, Psalm 24.1, Romans 1

Grow Groups

- **Second Demonstration Day NEXT WEEK, September 25 during Sunday school.**
- Groups of 3-5 people meeting together
- To practice the Yoke of Love
- Will focus on Scripture, listening and prayer
- Grow Group Cards available in back of Sanctuary and by the mailboxes

Prayer Concerns & Praises for Week of September 18, 2016

- **That God would be glorified and that lives would be transformed** in every aspect of Orrville Mennonite Church.
- **Elder Council, Pastor and Ministry Team leaders**
- **New Grow Groups**
- **Areas of unrest and instability in our world today** – Prayer for those caught up in the world's violence and for ways we can respond.
- **Verna Kauffman** – please keep Verna in your prayers. She has been moved to Room B-15 at Brenn-Field. Pray for her and Bernita and John as they all make adjustments to this transition.
- **Grace Geiser** – please keep Grace in your prayers as she is at Brenn-Field Nursing Center for a time of evaluation and therapy.
- **Declan Adler, infant son of Matt and Erlina** (friends of Christi and John) hospitalized with a blood and urinary infection.
- **Judy King's mother, Vera Culp** – pray for healing for her broken tibia.
- **Dorothy Miller** – please pray for Dorothy & her family as she gets used to new surroundings & learns to know new people at the Inn at Belden Village.
- **Lidia Zehr's sister, Lalicia** – severe rheumatoid arthritis
- **Joyce and Larry Gerber's niece, Kirsten** – undergoing cancer treatment
- **Natalie Fisher's volleyball teammate, Joanna** – as she deals with injury that hinders full participation.
- **Young adult transitions – Xan Seymour, Doug Fisher and Donaldo Lleshi.** Please keep these young men and their families in your prayers as they make transitions to living internationally (Xan) and to college life (Doug and Donaldo).
- **LaVonne and Sherm Amstutz** – pray for safe travels and peace of mind for LaVonne as her mother is experiencing some health concerns.
- **Ryan Schmidt's parents** as they move to Kansas from Ohio and **Ryan** as he adjusts to them being farther away.
- **Brady Miller and his family** – prayers for healing and recovery.
- **Pete and Lou's friend, Darrell** who lost his home in a fire.
- **Allison Seymour's mother, Sharon Walter** – Pray for Sharon's health concerns and for Allison's father, Gary, as he helps care for her needs.
- **Lucas Erb** – Please pray good healing following knee surgery.
- **SWAP Ministry – Pete and Lou Erb**
- **Dale Hostetler** – Pray for continued healing of his leg.
- **Pastor Santos & Esther Reyes in Costa Rica** (friends of Lidia Zehr).
- **Sandy Miller's mother and father, Anna and Al Miller** – Please continue to keep them in your prayers as Anna recovers from her stroke.
- **Youth who connect with us through WINGS, BreakAway and Axis.**
- **Randy and Susan Yoder's son, Christian** (Nancy Hostetler's cousin's son)
- **Sandra Seymour's sister, Nancy Rogers & family** facing family crises.
- **Sawsan Elateek and her children**
- **Mennonite Mission Network** – Today, Mennonite Church USA congregations are invited to celebrate Peace Sunday with resources created by MMN's Peace and Justice Support Network. Pray for God's wisdom as

we challenge the violence that continues to be our culture's all-too-frequent response to conflict (OMC is celebrating Peace Sunday on September 25th)

- **Mennonite Education Agency – Mennonite Early Childhood Network.** Recognizing September 21 as the International Day of Peace, pray that adults may bless children by interpreting Christ's love through promoting peaceful environments especially as children encounter violence, exploitation, discrimination, and other injustices. Pray that people of the world will recognize children as a blessing entrusted to them.

Orrville Mennonite Church Daily Devotions
Week ending with Sunday, September 25, 2016

Day One Read Mark 1.35-39
What was Jesus doing? Why?

Day Two Read Psalm 46.1-11
How is God our strength?

Day Three Read Psalm 27.1-14
How does one wait for the Lord?

Day Four Read Psalm 13.1-6
What complaints do you have of God? Have you told God?
How could you imitate this kind of prayer for yourself?

Day Five Read Isaiah 55.1-13
How does one seek the Lord?

"Love Step Prayer"

Pray this daily and as you go through your day, look for how God might be answering...

*Lord, put someone in front of me so I will meet them with love where they are.
Help me to learn from them and walk with them in a way that we can both
grow closer to Christ. Amen.*

Sermon Notes for
September 18, 2016
Ephesians 4.1-6

Ephesians so far...

- God answers our uncertainties -- "I will be with you."
- In Christ, we have the Holy Spirit in us for the duration, *God's incomparably great power for us who believe.*
Exodus 3.11-12, Matthew 28.20b, John 14.18, Ephesians 1.13-14, 19
- Left to our own devices, our actions result in death. We have a problem with God's authority. We want to be in charge. Genesis 3, Romans 1, Ephesians 2.1-3
- God acts to solve our problem – to break our cycle of sin and give us something useful to do. Ephesians 2.8-10
- All people ,regardless of background or action, are invited to have peace with God and full inclusion in God's family. Ephesians 2.11-3.13.
- The church is God's plan to show the world God's love.
- And Therefore...

Ephesians 4.1-6

Live a life _____ of the calling you have received.

What calling?

Ephesians 1.13-14, 2.19-20, 2.10, 3.10

1. To be God's _____
2. To be _____ of heaven
3. To do the _____ God has prepared for us
4. To be the church – God's _____, _____ for all to see

How?

Ephesians 4.2-3

See also Ephesians 4.17-6.20