

Coming Events:

December 6	WINGS Christmas Banquet, 6 pm
December 11	Grow Group Fellowship Meal/Partnership Plan Fundraiser Meal, 12 noon
December 17	AHA – A Night Out for Married Couples, 6 pm (Terry & Kay Shue speaking)
December 24	Christmas Eve Service
December 25	Christmas Day Worship
January 1	BreakAway Fundraiser Meal (Pork & Sauerkraut)



Orrville Mennonite Church

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November 27, 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.

Welcome

Song *O Come, O Come, Immanuel* WB 172

Lighting of the Peace Lamp

People: ... Jesus said..., "*I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.*"

Leader: Jesus also said, "*You are the light of the world...let your good deeds shine out for all to see, so that everyone will praise your heavenly Father.*"

People: We light this lamp to remember.

Song *Here I am to Worship*

Lighting the Advent Candle

Song *The Hope of the World*

Offering/Prayer

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

Offertory *Oh, How Shall I Receive Thee* WB 182

Message *How Shall Jesus Find Us?*

Pastor Bill Seymour

Scripture Matthew 24.36-44

Song *Adore*

Sharing and Prayer/Announcements

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.

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Benediction

Advent Candle Lighting Readers: Stan Kamp, John Kauffman, Mark Bixler

Reader: Jen Bixler

Worship Band: Anita & Natalie Fisher, John, Christi & Noah Michaels
Bill & Allison Seymour

Today (November 27) 1st Sunday in Advent

9:30 a.m. Fellowship and Coffee

9:45 a.m. Worship Service

Pastor Bill Seymour preaching

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

11:05 a.m. Sunday School

Tuesday

6:00 p.m. WINGS (Snack – Judy K)

Wednesday

6:30 p.m. Axis – *Prayer Walk*

6:30 p.m. BreakAway – *Bible Study: Control Freak*
(Snack – Conrads)

Thursday

9:30 a.m. Women's Fellowship and Service

Next Sunday (December 4) 2nd Sunday in Advent

9:30 a.m. Fellowship and Coffee

9:45 a.m. Worship Service

Pastor Bill Seymour preaching

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

11:05 a.m. Sunday School

Last Sunday (November 27)

Ministry Spending Plan: \$2,210.00

Weekly MSP Needed: \$3,452.96

CCS Partnership Plan: \$210.00

Weekly PP Needed: \$897.35

Mennonite Mission Network: \$100.00

Land: \$100.00

Other: \$80.00

Greeters Today Sherm and LaVonne Amstutz, Martha Miller

Next Sunday Ralph and Carol Rheinheimer, Carol Davis

Elder Greeter Today Marilyn Kamp

Next Sunday Marion Beyeler

Worship Nursery Today John and Christi Michaels

Next Sunday Marion and Jane Beyeler

Coffee Hospitality Today Stan and Marilyn Kamp

Next Sunday Jeff Fisher

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.

The flowers today are provided by Norm and Sandy Sohar in celebration of their 38th wedding anniversary on Thanksgiving Day, November 24th! Congratulations!

Boxed sets of offering envelopes are available by the mailboxes. Our Finance and Facilities Ministry would like each person/family to **sign up for and take a new box to start out the year 2017** and recycle or discard any unused envelopes from your current set of envelopes for 2016.

December *Messiah* performances. Ryan Schmidt is participating in both of these performances!

- December 4 – Orrville Community Chorus *Messiah* at Central Christian School, 7 p.m.
- December 11 – Oak Grove *Messiah* at Oak Grove Mennonite Church, 2:30 p.m.

Everence is offering an educational seminar “Retiring Soon” for those approaching retirement age, or anyone interesting in learning about Medicare and Social Security. The last seminar for 2016 is being held on **Thursday, December 8th** at Everence Financial, 4136 Kidron Road, Kidron.

Prayer Concerns & Praises for Week of November 27, 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**
- **Grow Groups**
- **Axis Youth Discipleship Groups** meeting on Sunday mornings.
- **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.
- **Weston Andrew, infant son of Holly and Joel Mast.** Prayer on their behalf would be appreciated as he continues at Aultman Hospital's neonatal unit.
- **Sisters and brothers in Christ** who are experiencing high levels of anxiety following the election outcome and for how we must respond.
- **Christian Yoder** (Nancy Hostetler's cousin's son) – living with cystic fibrosis. He is currently hospitalized at Cleveland Clinic.
- **Brady Miller and his family** – continued prayers for healing and recovery. He is currently hospitalized at Akron Children's Hospital.
- **Louise Bowers** – as she recovers from a stress sprain of her ankle.
- **Liz Snyder** – as she adjusts to a new job and working hours.
- **Naomi and Jess Engle and their family** – as Naomi continues treatment (radiation and chemotherapy) through November and early December.
- **Christi & John Michaels** – family adjustments to positive job changes for both John and Christi.
- **Christi Michaels' aunt and uncle** as they cope with health-related issues for themselves and loved ones.
- **Pastor Santos & Esther Reyes in Costa Rica** (friends of Lidia Zehr) as they face economic and other hardships.
- **Lidia Zehr's sister, Alicia** – severe rheumatoid arthritis
- **Lance Almond**
- **Amy Ludwig, Bill's niece**, who is struggling with severe depression – also sister, Megan & parents, Laurie & Jim as they struggle with her in this time.
- **Kevin, a 25-year old man in Canton**, who wants to be a police officer so that he can help people. Please pray for God to make a way for him.
- **Dale Hostetler** – prayers for healing of infection in his leg.
- **Verna Kauffman & Grace Geiser** – at Brenn-Field Nursing Center
- **Dorothy Miller** – at the Inn at Belden Village
- **Sandy Miller's parents, Anna and Al Miller** – Pray for patience for Anna as she continues with challenges associated with speech therapy lessons.
- **Joyce and Larry Gerber's niece, Kirsten** – undergoing cancer treatment
- **Young adult transitions** – Xan Seymour, Doug Fisher and Donald Lleshi.
- **SWAP Ministry – Pete and Lou Erb**
- **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.
- **Youth who connect with us through WINGS, BreakAway and Axis.**
- **Sawsan Elateek and her children**
- **Mennonite Mission Network** – Petrus and Yuliana Handoyo and their two sons are sent to Cambodia by an Indonesian Mennonite mission agency and MMN. Pray for Petrus as he teaches religion and ethics in two universities,

and Yuliana as she directs an education ministry for children living on the edge of the city.

- **Mennonite Education Agency – Eastern Mennonite University, Harrisonburg, VA.** Pray for EMS as preparations are made for the School of Leadership Training, January 16-18, 2017. May those who attend hear God's call to deepen relationships through “neighboring” rather than “othering.”

Orrville Mennonite Church Daily Devotions Week ending with Sunday, December 4, 2016

Day One Read Isaiah 11.1-10

What is the picture described here? How does this give you hope?

Day Two Read Psalm 72.1-7, 18-19

Who is the king and what are we to bring the king?

Day Three Read Romans 15.4-13

What is your hope?

Day Four Read Matthew 3.1-12

What did John the Baptist baptize for? What baptism would Jesus bring? What is the difference?

Day Five Read Malachi 3.1-4

Don't answer this question too quickly, and you may wish to read further into Malachi to help. What fire does the coming of the Lord bring?

“Love Step Prayer”

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

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