

Coming Events:

January 13-15 Junior Youth Retreat at Camp Luz
(BreakAway attending)
January 19 Community/Discipleship Meeting, 7 pm
January 21 Congregational Retreat 8am – 1 pm



Orrville Mennonite Church

1305 West Market Street – Phone (330) 682-5801 – Orrville, Ohio 44667

January 1, 2017

"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

Hymn *O Come, All Ye Faithful* WB 212

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.

Scripture Reading Psalm 32

Offering/Prayer

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

Offertory *Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies* WB 216

Meditation

James 5.13-20, Ephesians 4.15

Pastor Bill Seymour

Sharing

Tell a story about how God has answered the Love Step Prayer in your life. Maybe even if it is a story about how you wonder if God has answered the prayer and maybe even if you aren't completely in agreement with God about it.

Tell a story about how God is using your Grow Group to help you to be more faithful. What is different in your life since you started this group process?

Prayer

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Hymn *Come, Gracious Spirit* WB 303
Song *Amen*

Communion
Song *The Body*

Sharing and Prayer/Announcements

Love Step Prayer Remix

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

Benediction and Postlude

Reader: Jeff Fisher

Worship Band: Anita, Doug & Natalie Fisher, Bill & Allison Seymour

Today (January 1)

9:30 a.m. Fellowship and Coffee
9:45 a.m. Worship Service
 Pastor Bill Seymour preaching
 Communion
10:45 a.m. Sharing, Announcements and Fellowship
11:15 a.m. BreakAway Pork and Sauerkraut Fundraiser Meal

Monday Office Closed

Tuesday

6:00 p.m. WINGS – *Expect Respect*

Wednesday

6:15 p.m. BreakAway – *Bowling*
6:30 p.m. Axis Youth Group

Thursday

9:30 a.m. Women's Fellowship and Service
1:00 p.m. Elder Council
6:00 p.m. *Meet & Eat* at Buehlers (Main Street Grill)

Next Sunday (January 8)

9:30 a.m. Fellowship and Coffee
9:45 a.m. Worship Service
 Pastor Bill Seymour preaching
 Message: *Justice*
 Scripture: Isaiah 42:1-9
10:45 a.m. Sharing, Announcements and Fellowship
11:05 a.m. Sunday School

Last Sunday (December 25)

Ministry Spending Plan: \$3,369.00 Weekly MSP Needed: \$3,452.96
CCS Partnership Plan: \$1,630.00 Weekly PP Needed: \$897.35
Compassion Fund: \$25.00
Mennonite Central Committee: \$75.00
Other: \$106.50

Greeters Today John and Barb Shilling, Judy King

Next Sunday John and Christi Michaels, Danae King

Elder Greeter Today Marilyn Kamp **Next Sunday** Lidia Zehr

Worship Nursery Today Jan and Rollie Kauffman

Next Sunday Tim and Melinda Wenger

Coffee Hospitality Today Sherm and LaVonne Amstutz

Next Sunday John and Barb Shilling

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.

MCUSA announcement – Registration for the Mennonite Church USA

Convention 2017 opens January 17. The convention takes place July 4-8 in Orlando, FL with the theme, *Love is a Verb*. Enjoy fellowship, worship and activities with Mennonites from around the country while enjoying the attractions of the Orlando area. Learn more at
<http://convention.mennoniteusa.org/registration/>

All are invited to join us for *Meet and Eat* this coming Thursday, January 5th at 6 p.m. at Buehlers in Orrville (Main Street Grill).

Prayer Concerns & Praises for Week of January 1, 2017

- **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**
- **Youth who connect with us through WINGS, BreakAway and Axis.**
- **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.
- **Naomi and Jess Engle and their family** – Naomi is at home and under hospice care. Over the past few days, she has been responding to the family and even speaking a little. This has been a true blessing to the family. They are also very thankful for prayers, visits, messages, etc.
- **Alger Family** as they grieve the passing of their son, Eric.
- **Logan, infant great-grandson of Louise Bowers and great-nephew of Barb Shilling**, born 2 months early and hospitalized at Cleveland Clinic. **Keep Logan, his mother, Jackie, grandfather, Mick** and all family members in your prayers.
- **Bill's sister and husband, Laurie and Jim Ludwig** as they move to Wisconsin from Indiana to be closer to their daughters. Their daughter, Amy struggles with depression. Please keep them in your prayers.
- **John Shilling** as he recovers from hernia surgery.
- **Holly and Joel Mast** – continued prayers for Baby Weston's growth and development.
- **Christi Michaels' uncle** as he recovers from surgery.
- **SWAP Ministry – Pete and Lou Erb**
- **Pastor Santos and Ester and their daughter, Estercita and her baby** as the family grieves the passing of Ester's mother. Pastor Santos is without income and is in poor health. Estercita's husband also passed away recently and they also continue to deal with the after effects from the recent hurricane. Pray that God would help meet their spiritual, physical & material needs.
- **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.
- **Christi & John Michaels** – family adjustments to positive job changes for both John and Christi.
- **Lidia Zehr's sister, Alicia** – severe rheumatoid arthritis
- **Lance Almond**
- **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.
- **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.

- **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.
- **Sawsan Elateek and her children**
- **Mennonite Mission Network** – Linda Oyer, serving with MMN, is waiting for surgery to remove her gallbladder after severe attacks of cholecystitis last month. Pray for rest and peace as she regains health in her home near Paris, France, so she can be ready for the operation this month.

Orrville Mennonite Church Daily Devotions Week ending with Sunday, January 8, 2017

Day One Read Isaiah 42.1-9

Who is being talked about in this passage? What will this person do and be?

Day Two Read Psalm 29

What are the qualities of the Lord, described here? How do you see these in your life?

Day Three Read Ephesians 3.1-12

What is the mystery?

Day Four Read Acts 10.34-43

What message was spread?

Day Five Read Matthew 3.13-17

Why didn't John want to baptize Jesus?

"Love Step Prayer"

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

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