

**MCC Hygiene Kits:** Help Mennonite Central Committee meet the needs of refugees affected by the conflicts in Syria and the surrounding region. MCC Connections will be doing a special push to process and ship as many hygiene kits as possible this spring. Consider purchasing materials or donating funds to MCC Connections to purchase materials in bulk. Your donations make the difference for those whose lives have been so badly disrupted by these situations. Thank you.

**Kit Contents:**

- Toothbrush
- Bath Soap
- Finger Nail Clipper
- Hand Towel
- Kit Bag (available on the table in the fellowship hall)

**Happy Birthday to:**

Today                      Jeff Fisher  
 Wednesday            John Michaels



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

**Coming Events:**

January 19                Community/Discipleship Meeting, 7 pm  
 January 21                Congregational Retreat 8 am – 11:30 am

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# Orrville Mennonite Church

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**January 8, 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**

**Prelude**                *To Follow the Star* (Franklin Ritter)

**Hymn**                    *Joy to the World*    WB 318

**Scripture**              Matthew 2.1-12

**Hymn**                    *We Three Kings* (words in bulletin)

**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.**

**Hymn**                    *O Worship the Lord*    WB 124

**Scripture Reading**    Psalm 29

**Offering/Prayer**

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

**Offertory**                *The Snow Lay on the Ground* (James Denton)

Judy Ferguson

**Scripture**              Isaiah 42.1-9

**Sermon**                *Justice*

Pastor Bill Seymour

**Prayer**

**Hymn**                    *For the Healing of the Nations*    WB 367



## 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.

### Postlude

Reader: Doug Zehr

Song Leader: Carol Rheinheimer Organist: Judy Ferguson

### Today (January 8)

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 – *Game Night*

### Wednesday

6:00 p.m. BreakAway – *Preparation for Camp Luz Retreat*  
6:00 p.m. Axis Youth Group

**Friday – Sunday** BreakAway at Junior Youth Retreat (Camp Luz)

### Next Sunday (January 15)

9:30 a.m. Fellowship and Coffee  
9:45 a.m. Worship Service  
Pastor Bill Seymour preaching  
Message: *A Broken Person Approached*  
*Jesus and then THIS HAPPENED!*  
*Part 1: Broken by Sin*  
Scripture: Luke 7:36-50; John 8:1-11  
10:45 a.m. Sharing, Announcements and Fellowship  
11:05 a.m. Sunday School

### Last Sunday (January 1)

Ministry Spending Plan (2016): \$800.00 Weekly MSP Needed: \$3,452.96  
CCS Partnership Plan (2016): \$400.00 Weekly PP Needed: \$897.35  
Ministry Spending Plan (2017): \$2,153.00  
CCS Partnership Plan (2017): \$100.00  
BreakAway Junior High Retreat: \$50.00  
Offering envelopes: \$5.00

**Greeters Today** John and Christi Michaels, Danae King

**Next Sunday** Doug and Lidia Zehr, John Kauffman

**Elder Greeter Today** Lidia Zehr **Next Sunday** Jen Bixler

**Worship Nursery Today** Tim and Melinda Wenger

**Next Sunday** Virgil and Kathy Troyer

**Coffee Hospitality Today** John and Barb Shilling

**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.

**The flowers today are provided by the Michaels Family** in celebration of John's birthday on Wednesday, January 11<sup>th</sup>. Happy Birthday!

**You are invited to a congregational retreat, *Stepping Out in Hope*, on Saturday, January 21<sup>st</sup> from 8 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.** The morning will start with breakfast prepared by Pastor Bill. We will worship, reflect, discuss, and look ahead at 2017. Please let us know that you are planning to attend.

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### *We Three Kings of Orient Are*

1) We three kings of Orient are, Bearing gifts we traverse afar  
Field and fountain, moor and mountain, Following yonder star.

2) Born a King on Bethlehem's plain, Gold I bring to crown Him again,  
King forever, ceasing never, Over us all to reign.

Refrain: O star of wonder, star of night, Star with royal beauty bright,  
Westward leading, still proceeding, Guide us to Thy perfect light.

3) Frankincense to offer have I, Incense owns a Deity nigh;  
Prayer and praising all men raising, Worship Him, God on high.

4) Myrrh is mine, its bitter perfume, Breathes a life of gathering gloom:  
Sorrowing, sighing, bleeding, dying, Sealed in the stone-cold tomb.

Refrain: O star of wonder, star of night, Star with royal beauty bright,  
Westward leading, still proceeding, Guide us to Thy perfect light.

5) Glorious now behold Him arise, King and God and Sacrifice;  
Alleluia, Alleluia! Sounds thru the earth and skies.

Refrain: O star of wonder, star of night, Star with royal beauty bright,  
Westward leading, still proceeding, Guide us to Thy perfect light.

### Prayer Concerns & Praises for Week of January 8, 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.
- **Praise! Brady Miller returned home on Friday!** – continued prayers for healing and recovery.
- **BreakAway youth and leaders** as they spend Friday through Sunday, January 13-15 at Camp Luz for Junior High Winter Retreat with resource person, Craig Strasbaugh.
- **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.
- **Family of Logan (infant great-grandson of Louise Bowers and great-nephew of Barb Shilling).** Logan passed away early Tuesday morning. Thank you for your continued prayers for the family.
- **Jess Engle and family & friends** as they grieve the passing of Naomi on January 1, 2017.
- **Jon and Melanie Alger Family and extended family and friends** as they grieve the passing of their son, Eric.
- **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.
- **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 Donaldo 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.
- **Mennonite Education Agency – Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary, Elkhart, IN.** Students in hybrid classes at AMBS are meeting on campus in Elkhart, IN this week for the face-to-face portion of their classes. Give thanks for the relationships that are developing among students on campus, students from a distance and seminary faculty and staff members. Pray that God's Spirit would guide them as they engage the Bible together.

### Orrville Mennonite Church Daily Devotions Week ending with Sunday, January 15, 2017

Day One Read Luke 7.36-50

What kind of sinner approaches Jesus here? What does Jesus do? How can you be like Jesus?

Day Two Read John 8.1-11

What kind of sinner approaches (is brought to) Jesus here? What does Jesus do? How can you be like Jesus?

Day Three Read John 4.1-26

What kind of sinner is approached by Jesus here? What does Jesus do? How can you be like Jesus?

Day Four Read Luke 18.9-14

How does the attitude of the sinner compare with the attitude of the religious leader? How can you be like the sinner?

Day Five Read Luke 13.1-9

What is the warning? Why? How does this warning apply to you? What is your response?

**“Love Step Prayer”** – Pray this daily and as you go through your day, look for how God might be answering...

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