

Happy Birthday to:

Monday Lowell Bowers  
Friday Francesco Nicoletti  
Gregory Seymour  
Saturday Sandy Sohar



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

**Coming Events:**

January 29 Fifth Sunday Mission Offering  
February 1 Comforter Knotting Night  
with BreakAway and Axis Youth Groups, 6:30 pm  
February 2 All-Church Comforter Knotting Night  
February 12 Loving Others Sunday – Jim and Cindy Fath

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# Orrville Mennonite Church

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January 15, 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**

**Song** *O Spirit of the Living God* WB 361

We light the peace lamp during this song to remember that Jesus is our peace and instructs us to live in peace.

**Song** *My Jesus, I Love Thee* WB 522

**Offering/Prayer**

(God's children are invited to bring offerings for the "My Coins Count" Jug)  
Axis Youth Group Moment with Jeff Fisher

**Song** *Amen*

**Scripture** Luke 7:36-50; John 8:1-11

**Message** *A Broken Person Approached Jesus and then*

*THIS HAPPENED!!!! Part 1: Broken by Sin*

Pastor Bill Seymour

**Confession** WB 691

**Song** *Lord, I Need You*

**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**



Reader: Mark Bixler  
Worship Band: Anita and Natalie Fisher, John, Christi and Noah Michaels  
Bill and Allison Seymour

### Today (January 15)

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 – *Becoming Children of God (Joseph)*

### Wednesday

6:30 p.m. Axis Youth Group – *Roller Skating*

### Thursday

7:00 p.m. Community Discipleship Meeting

### Saturday

8:00 – 11:30 a.m. Congregational Retreat (breakfast at 8:00)

### Next Sunday (January 22)

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 2: Broken by Exclusion*  
Scriptures: Mark 7:25-30; Mark 5:25-34  
Moment in Mission – Sara Anderson (WINGS)  
10:45 a.m. Sharing, Announcements and Fellowship  
11:05 a.m. Sunday School  
2:30 p.m. Bible Quizzing

### Last Sunday (January 8)

Ministry Spending Plan: \$2,820.55	Weekly MSP Needed: \$3,452.96
CCS Partnership Plan: \$375.00	Weekly PP Needed: \$897.35
Compassion Fund: \$48.40	Land: \$150.00
I.W. Royer Scholarship Fund: \$20.00	

**Greeters Today** Doug and Lidia Zehr, John Kauffman

**Next Sunday** Mark and Jen Bixler Family

**Elder Greeter Today** Jen Bixler **Next Sunday** Marion Beyeler

**Worship Nursery Today** Virgil and Kathy Troyer

**Next Sunday** Mim Wenger

**Coffee Hospitality Today** Sherm and LaVonne Amstutz

**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.

**From the Family of Verna Kauffman** – We deeply appreciate the donation made to the I.W. Royer Scholarship Fund in memory of Verna.

**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.

**When schools are cancelled due to weather (on a Tuesday or Wednesday),** WINGS and BreakAway will also be cancelled and no snacks will be needed.

**The Hostess Committee Chairpersons are cleaning out some cupboards** in the church kitchen. If you would be interested in having any glass snack sets (small plates and cups), please let LaVonne Amstutz or Nancy Hostetler know. We have a surplus of snack sets that see very little use. Extras will eventually be taken to MCC Connections.

**Our next Community Discipleship Meeting** is coming up this Thursday, January 19<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. Representatives from most ministry groups will meet to coordinate with each other, consider possibilities, schedule events and to assign groups or people to plan these events.

**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)

## Sermon Notes for January 15, 2017

Luke 7.36-50

John 8.1-11

### Jesus expects something of us.

Repentance    making up our minds to put away our rules and accept God's rules.

Surrender     giving in and following through with this choice.

### Luke 7.36-50

#### The host

Entered this conversation with judgment

We do not know how they left

#### The woman with many sins

Entered this conversation with tears of sorrow and love

Left with assurance and peace

What does this Story have to do with you?

What does this Story have to do with how you interact with your friends and acquaintances?

### John 8. 1—11

Jesus says four things in this account:

1. Let anyone who is without sin cast the first stone.
2. Has no one condemned you?
3. I do not condemn you.
4. Go and leave your life of sin.

What do you think these four statements mean together?

#### The crowd

Entered this conversation with judgment

Left in conviction

#### The woman

Entered this conversation in shame

Left with no condemnation and the possibility of a new way to live

And we do not know what she did with this.

What would you have done if you were this woman?

What does this Story have to do with you?

What does this Story have to do with how you interact with your friends and acquaintances?

## Prayer Concerns & Praises for Week of January 15, 2017

- **That God would be glorified and that lives would be transformed** in every aspect of Orrville Mennonite Church.
- **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.
- **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.
- **Grace Geiser** – at Brenn-Field Nursing Center
- **Dorothy Miller** – at the Inn at Belden Village
- **Cathy Gable** – at Orrville Pointe
- **Brady Miller** – continued prayers for more needed healing and recovery.
- **Joyce and Larry Gerber's niece, Kirsten** – continues intensive cancer treatment. She will also undergo surgery and perhaps radiation and then removing lymph glands. She is still very ill and surgery is life threatening. Thank you for your continued prayers.
- **Pastor Santos and Ester Reyes, their daughter, Estercita & her baby** – Pray that God would provide ways to meet their spiritual, physical & material needs.
- **Lidia Zehr's sister, Alicia** – severe rheumatoid arthritis
- **Family of Logan (infant great-grandson of Louise Bowers and great-nephew of Barb Shilling)** as they grieve his passing.
- **Jess Engle and family & friends** as they grieve the passing of Naomi.
- **Bill's sister and husband, Laurie and Jim Ludwig** as they move to Wisconsin from Indiana to be closer to their daughters. Please keep them in prayer as they make transitions.
- **John Shilling** as he recovers from hernia surgery.
- **Christi Michaels' uncle** as he recovers from surgery.
- **Christi & John Michaels** – family adjustments to positive job changes for both John and Christi.
- **SWAP Ministry – Pete and Lou Erb**
- **Christian Yoder** (Nancy Hostetler's cousin's son) – living w/cystic fibrosis.
- **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.
- **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** – School groups are celebrating the Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday with DOOR Atlanta and DOOR Miami this weekend. MMN requests prayer for participants as they return to their home communities tomorrow and begin to share what they learned about civil rights history and current social injustices, and how their faith calls them to respond.

- **Mennonite Education Agency – Hesston College, Hesston, KS.** Pray for Hesston College community this week as they honor Martin Luther King, Jr.'s legacy. May King's life and teachings inspire each of us to work for justice.

## **Orrville Mennonite Church Daily Devotions Week ending with Sunday, January 22, 2017**

Day One Read Mark 7.25-30

What does Jesus give the woman? Why?

Day Two Read Mark 5.25-34

What does Jesus do for this woman? Why?

Day Three Read Mark 5.35-43

What does Jesus do for this family? Why?

Day Four Read John 4.1-26

What does Jesus do for this woman? Why?

Day Five Read Mark 1.40-45

What does Jesus do for this man? Why?

### **“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.*