

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. Kit Contents: Toothbrush, Bath Soap, Finger Nail Clipper, Hand Towel (kit bags are available on the table in the fellowship hall).

Happy Birthday to:

Today Jane Beyeler



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

Coming Events:

- February 26 *Loving Others Sunday* with Jim and Cindy Fath and Partnership Plan Fundraiser Meal
- March 23-24 Missional Conference at Kidron Mennonite Church with Alan and Debra Hirsch – *Who Is My Neighbor?*
- March 24-25 Ohio Annual Conference Assembly at CCS
- March 26 Guest Speaker, Bishop Amos Muhagachi and Fellowship Meal

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February 5, 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

Songs *Love Divine*
Amen

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

James 1.12-15, NLT (unison reading)

12 God blesses those who patiently endure testing and temptation. Afterward they will receive the crown of life that God has promised to those who love him. 13 And remember, when you are being tempted, do not say, "God is tempting me." God is never tempted to do wrong, and God never tempts anyone else. 14 Temptation comes from our own desires, which entice us and drag us away. 15 These desires give birth to sinful actions. And when sin is allowed to grow, it gives birth to death.

Responsive Prayer SJ 144

Song *Oh, Lord Have Mercy* SJ 47 (a cappella)

Offering/Prayer

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

Song *Rest*

Scripture James 1.1-18

Message *Trials, Temptations, and Problems* Pastor Bill Seymour

Song *Rain Down* SJ 49

Sharing and Prayer Announcements



Love Step Prayer

Lord, give me time and energy to pay attention when you put me in front of someone so I can 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: Barb Shilling

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

Today (February 5)

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
2:30 p.m. Bible Quizzing
6:00 p.m. Super Bowl Party at OMC (hosted by Axis Youth Group)

Tuesday

6:00 p.m. WINGS – *Pinewood Derby Car Design Night*
(Snack – Mel & Lois Leidig)

Wednesday

1:00 p.m. Elder Council
6:30 p.m. BreakAway – *Bible Study* (Snack – Martha Miller)
6:30 p.m. Axis Youth Group – *Prep for Valentine's Day Visits*

Next Sunday (February 12)

9:30 a.m. Fellowship and Coffee
9:45 a.m. Worship Service
Pastor Bill Seymour preaching
Message: *Woe is Job*
Scripture: Job 40.1-10, 42.1-6
10:45 a.m. Sharing, Announcements and Fellowship
11:05 a.m. Sunday School

Last Sunday (January 29)

Ministry Spending Plan: \$2,925.00 Weekly MSP Needed: \$3,054.79
CCS Partnership Plan: \$859.00 Weekly PP Needed: \$897.35
Compassion Fund: \$25.00
Mennonite Central Committee: \$300.00
Mennonite Mission Network: \$425.00
Ohio Conference: \$230.00
Open Arms Hispanic Ministry: \$350.00
Other: \$100.00

Greeters Today Jan and Rollie Kauffman, Liz Snyder

Next Sunday Jan and Rollie Kauffman

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

Worship Nursery Today Willie and Sandy Miller

Next Sunday Judy King

Coffee Hospitality Today Ralph and Carol Rheinheimer

Next Sunday Allison Seymour

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.

Would you be a Valentine? – Well, would you be willing to bless some youth and leaders by writing some valentines? We would like as many people as possible to write as many notes as you are willing to the youth and leaders of WINGS and BreakAway. "Love notes"... notes of encouragement, perhaps a favorite Bible verse, some expression of love and appreciation -- share in the way God leads you! We have Valentine postcards available on the table at the back of the sanctuary and a list of names of all the WINGS and BreakAway youth and their leaders. You are welcome to take a list of the names and as many cards as you wish. This might be something for a Grow Group or a Sunday School class to do together (divide up the names on the list and have each person responsible for a group of names). Please make sure to write the name of the person you are writing to on the note! There will be a box for your completed "love notes" at the back of the sanctuary and we will pass them along to the WINGS and BreakAway staff for distribution on Tuesday, February 14th.

The Missions Ministry would like to bless Pete and Lou Erb, Doug Fisher, Donald Lleshi, and Xan Seymour by sending them care packages for Valentine's Day. Following are some ideas for each care package:

- Pete and Lou: G.O.R.P, trail mix, nuts, candy bars, gum
- Donald: Jolly Ranchers hard candy, dark chocolate w/raspberry filling, bagels, muffins, chocolate chip cookies, gum
- Doug: York peppermint patties, Twizzlers, chocolate chip cookies, gum
- Xan: Mailing a package to Xan in Italy appears to be a problem based on how mail has gotten to him previously, so we will just be sending him a card. Please write a note of encouragement and love for him.

Cards and boxes for each are located at the back of the sanctuary. Donations of money would also be helpful to pay for postage or purchase items. If excess items are received, they will be donated to our Meals2Go ministry.

Orville Mennonite Church Daily Devotions

Week ending with Sunday, February 12, 2017

Day One Read Job 1.1-22

What questions do you have when you read this? Do you receive any assurances or comfort in this reading?

Day Two Read Job 2.1-13

What questions do you have when you read this? Do you receive any assurances or comfort in this reading?

Day Three Read James 1.2-4

After reading Job 1 and 2 yesterday and the day before, what questions do you now have of this passage? Complaints?

Day Four Read Philippians 4.4-7

Again, in light of the reality of trials of suffering in the world, what questions do you have of this passage?

Day Five Read Job 3.1-26

This is the third response Job gives to the trials and suffering coming his way. What is the value in releasing these emotions by speaking them?

“Love Step Prayer”

Pray this daily and as you go through your day, look for how God might be answering... *Lord, give me time and energy to pay attention when you put me in front of someone so I can 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.*

Jan’s new church office hours going forward:

- **Monday, Tuesday and Friday:** 8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
- **Wednesday:** 8:30 a.m. – 5 p.m. (no church office hours on Thursday)

Men, Camp Luz has two upcoming retreats just for the guys. The **Men’s Retreat** is March 31-April 2, with pastors David and Chet Eshleman. The **Father Son Retreat** is April 28-29, with father-son duo, Kent and Sean Miller. More information and registration for both retreats is available at www.campluz.com

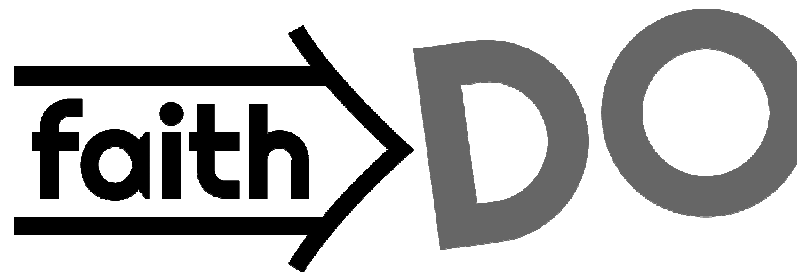
Sermon Notes for February 5, 2017

First Sunday James

Preliminary James Overview

These things matter. They reveal your faith:

Actions	1.22, 1.27
Response to Trials	1.2-4, 1.27
Problem Solving	1.5-8, 1.27
Response to Temptation	1.12-18, 4.7-12, 1.27
Pride and Humility	1.9-11, 1.27
Actions	2.14-17, 1.27
Caring/Compassion	2.15-16, 1.27
Words	3.1-12, 1.27
Temper	4.1-6, 1.27
Control	4.13-17, 1.27
Generosity	5.1-6, 2.15-16, 1.27



James 1.1-18

There are three scenarios you will face in life:

1. Trials
2. Temptations
3. Problems

Trials

1. There are difficult things that life throws at you -- things that test your faith. They may be the result of nature, economy, accidents, or the sin of others.
 - a. What part of faith is really tested?
 - b. Whether or not God is _____.
 - c. Whether or not God loves us and cares about us.
2. Why should we consider these joy?
 - a. As we persevere, we will _____ in faith and deed.

Temptations

1. Temptations NEVER come from God.
 - a. God is _____.
2. These come from our own desires or from Satan.
3. Run from them.
4. Submit to God. James 4.7
5. Resist the devil.

Problems

1. You just won't know what to do in certain situations. They will be tricky, sticky, and even icky.
2. Ask God for wisdom.
3. Trust that God will answer your request for wisdom, and God will.
 - a. God _____.

Prayer Concerns & Praises for Week of February 5, 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.
- **SWAP Ministry – Pete and Lou Erb**
- **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.
- **Barb Shilling** – as she transitions to a new job
- **Joyce and Larry Gerber's niece, Kirsten** – continues intensive cancer treatment. Thank you for your continued prayers.
- **Pastor Santos & Ester Reyes**, their daughter, Estercita & baby – Pray that God would provide ways to meet their spiritual, physical & material needs.
- **Lidia Zehr's sister, Alicia** – severe rheumatoid arthritis
- **Bill's sister and husband, Laurie and Jim Ludwig** – Please keep them in prayer as they make the transition to moving to Wisconsin.
- **John Shilling** as he recovers from hernia surgery.
- **Christi Michaels' uncle, Rick** begins an aggressive 6-month chemotherapy treatment this week. Please keep him and his wife, Gail in your prayers.
- **Christi & John Michaels** – family adjustments to job changes
- **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** – Marisa Smucker, mentor for MMN's Journey International team in Indonesia, will spend 12 days with participants beginning this Wednesday, February 8th. Pray for safe travel for Marisa and for a good time of reflections with team members.
- **Mennonite Education Agency** – Pray for Emmaus, Bethany Christian Schools' (Indiana) performing arts troupe, as they take their program *Buckets Make a Sandcastle* into elementary schools with the message focusing on the unique way each human being is created and the way that we all come together to form one unique creation.
- **Mennonite Church USA** – Pray for the participants in the “Hope for the Future” conference, which concludes today in Hampton, VA. More than 70 dynamic leaders from across the church, including many people of color were expected to attend.