

Happy Birthday to:

Monday	Jen Bixler
Wednesday	Ryan Schmidt
Friday	Louise Bowers



Happy Anniversary to:

Thursday Larry and Joyce Gerber

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

Coming Events:

March 2	Meet & Eat at 'Smoke the Burger Joint' 206 Beall Avenue, Wooster, 6 pm
March 5	Dedication of Hygiene Kits and Comforters
March 16	Open Arms Banquet at Kidron Mennonite Church (15 th Anniversary of Open Arms Hispanic Ministry)
March 23-24	Missional Conference at Kidron Mennonite Church with Alan and Debra Hirsch – <i>Who Is My Neighbor?</i>
March 24-25	Ohio Annual Conference Assembly at CCS
March 26	Guest Speaker, Bishop Amos Muhagachi and Fellowship Meal

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February 19, 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	<i>Amen</i>
	<i>What a Savior</i>
	<i>Be the Centre</i>

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 and Song SJ 144 and SJ 47 (verse 1 only)

Offering/Prayer

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

Song	<i>O Sacred Head, Now Wounded</i> WB 252
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Scripture	Luke 10:21-24	
Message	<i>What is Important?</i>	Pastor Bill Seymour

Song *Lift Your Glad Voices* WB 275

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: Christi Michaels Song Leader: Carol Rheinheimer
Worship Band: John, Christi and Noah Michaels, Bill Seymour

Today (February 19)

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

Tuesday

6:00 p.m. WINGS – *Pinewood Derby Car Design Night*
and/or Game Night (Snack – Jan K)

Wednesday

6:30 p.m. Axis Youth Group – *DVD Series*
6:30 p.m. BreakAway – *Bible Study & Games* (Snack – Jen)

Thursday

6:30 p.m. Ohio Conference Delegate Meeting
at Crown Hill Mennonite Church

Next Sunday (February 26)

9:30 a.m. Fellowship and Coffee
9:45 a.m. Worship Service – *Loving Others Sunday*
Jim and Cindy Fath speaking
10:45 a.m. Sharing, Announcements and Fellowship
11:05 a.m. Sunday School
12:00 p.m. Carry-In Fellowship Meal
2:30 p.m. Bible Quizzing

Last Sunday (February 12)

Ministry Spending Plan: \$3,159.00	Weekly MSP Needed: \$3,054.79
CCS Partnership Plan: \$1,200.00	Weekly PP Needed: \$897.35
Mennonite Central Committee: \$500.00	Land: \$100.00
Mennonite Mission Network: \$100.00	

Greeters Today Sherm and LaVonne Amstutz, Nancy Hostetler

Next Sunday Mel and Mim Wenger, Marion and Jane Beyeler

Elder Greeter Today Marion Beyeler **Next Sunday** Marilyn Kamp

Worship Nursery Today Marilyn Kamp

Next Sunday Virg and Kathy Troyer

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.

The flowers today are provided by Mel and Lois Leidig in loving memory of their daughter, Debra Leidig. She was born February 20, 1962 and passed away in 2001 at the age of 39.

We express sincere sympathies to LaVonne and Sherm Amstutz in the passing of LaVonne's mother, Lula Ross on February 15th. A contribution has been made to the I.W. Royer Scholarship Fund in Lula's memory.

Blessings and thanks to everyone from the church for your prayers and support from afar! Happy (late) Valentine's Day to you guys! ~ Xan Seymour

Dear OMC Family, Thank you for the Valentine goodie box! It was great to see all the names on the cards. The cookies, snacks, trail mix and candy will be lovingly consumed over the next few weeks. The box came just at the right time – just after we had visited probably the worst conditioned house we'd ever seen. God continues to show us new depths, aspects and results of institutional poverty and drugs addiction. We so appreciate your prayers and support. ~ Pete and Lou Erb

Loving Others Sunday & Carry-In Meal next Sunday, February 26th. Jim and Cindy Fath will be sharing with us during the morning worship service. All are invited to stay following the Sunday School hour for a carry-in fellowship meal. Please bring food to share (main dish, sides, salads, desserts) and your own table service.

Ohio Conference invites you to participate in our upcoming missional event featuring Alan and Debra Hirsch on March 23-24 at Kidron Mennonite Church. Alan and Debra, renowned speakers on the topic of the missional church, will be leading this two-day conference focusing on the topic of "Who Is My Neighbor?" Young adults are especially encouraged to attend and will receive half off of the registration price. Please visit ohiomennoniteconference.org for more information and to register.

**Orrville Mennonite Church Daily Devotions
Week ending with Sunday, February 26, 2017**

Day One Read Luke 10.1-24
What is important?

Day Two Read Luke 10.25-37
What is important?

Day Three Read Luke 10.38-42
What is important?

Day Four Read Luke 11.1-13
What is important?

Day Five Read Luke 11.14-28
What is important?

“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.

**Sermon Notes for February 19, 2017
Luke 10.21-24**

Luke 10.21-24

What is Jesus celebrating?

What did the disciples see that the prophets didn't get to see?

Luke 10.37 (25-37)

What is important to do?

Luke 10.42 (38-42)

Why is Mary's way better? Is her way better forever or just sometimes?

Luke 11.9 (1-13)

Ask and what will be given?

The prayer prior to this statement ends with three things that we ought to ask of God. What are they (v. 4)?

Luke 11.28 (14-28)

Blessed are those who.....

This "Blessed" word here does not mean that one will receive a special something (reward) from God. It means that one will be in a state of happiness. How does hearing and doing God's Word put you in a state of happiness?

See also James 1.22-27

In these five passages:

What are the similarities?

What are the differences?

Taking them together, what do you learn about how to live your life?

How are you doing with that?

What steps will you take to change?

Prayer Concerns & Praises for Week of February 19, 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.
- **Praise! Judy Ferguson welcomed a new great grandson!** Marcus Rent was born to Molly and Matt Parker on February 10th in LaGrange, GA. Molly is Judy's youngest son, Tim's daughter. He is the first grandchild for Tim and his wife, Carol. He will be called Rent after Molly's maternal grandfather. Also, he was born on his great grandfather, Rent's birthday!
- **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
- **Lavonne Amstutz's mother, Lula Ross** passed away on Wednesday, February 15th. Please hold the family close in your thoughts and prayers.
- **Bill and Allison's niece, Amy**, who struggles with debilitating depression.
- **Mike Snyder, Liz's father** has ongoing breathing and lung issues. Please keep Mike and the family in your prayers.
- **Jen Bixler's father and mother, Arden and Ruth Troyer** as Arden recovers from gall bladder surgery.
- **Christi Michaels' uncle, Rick** as he continues chemotherapy treatment. Please keep him and his wife, Gail in your prayers.
- **Family of Karen Gordon** who passed away January 29th. Karen holds a special place in Jeff Fisher's heart. Pray for comfort for her loved ones.
- **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.
- **Lance Almond**
- **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, Seif and Yasmine**
- **Mennonite Mission Network** – David and Rebekka Stutzman serve in post-Christian Germany through MMN, South German Mennonite Conference, and Virginia Mennonite Missions. Pray for them as they join people on their life journeys and find relevant ways of being the church.
- **Mennonite Education Agency – Bethel College, North Newton, KS.** Bethel College's peacebuilding institute, KIPCOR, is hosting a film this afternoon about the militarization of America's police force, followed by conversation with law enforcement officials and community activists. Pray for respectful dialogue and mutual learning.