

Thanks for your food pantry donations! We are still in need of non-perishable foods, freezer foods (hot dogs, meats), paper products, and personal hygiene products (shampoo, conditioner, toothpaste). You can drop off your donations in the old kitchen and we will put them on the shelves! Community members continue to be very appreciative of this assistance!

The Caring Team would like to compile a list of folks who would enjoy connecting with visitors on Sunday mornings and who would invite them out for lunch following worship and Sunday School. If you are interested in serving in this way, please let Jan Kauffman or Judy King know. We will be assigning Sundays to those willing.

Happy Birthday to:

Monday Wilma Eash



Happy Birthday!

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

Coming Events:

September 16 Fundraiser Meal at OMC for Kara Shilling & Evan Zuercher
 October 1 World Communion Sunday

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August 27, 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 *None But Jesus
 What a Saviour*

Scripture Isaiah 51.1-6

Offering/Prayer

Offering Song *Make Me a Channel of Your Peace* SJ 56

Prayers

For Those Serving in Roles for the Congregation this year

A Leader will begin the prayer and then will invite the congregation to join with the following prayer:

Lord, help us to encourage and support those you have called to serve and lead us in ministry. We give ourselves to you, Lord, to be led to grow in Christ. Use your servants to help us.

For School Children, Teachers, and Parents

In unison

Lord, we pray that our schools are safe places for learning and relationships. We pray that our teachers have strength and courage to help all children to learn and grow. We pray for the homes of all students, that they are filled with love and support for learning. We pray for all students, that you would meet them wherever they are, protect them, and surround them with your kindness and grace.

For Those Making Transitions this year—Particularly Ryan Schmidt, Megan Sohar and Diane Hostetler; and Amos and Esther Muhagachi.

A Leader will begin the prayer and at the end, we will all say together:
 Lord, hear our prayers. Amen.

Hymn *In the Rifted Rock I'm Resting* WB 526

Scripture Matthew 16.13-20
Message *The Problem with Truth-Telling* Pastor Bill Seymour

Hymn *My Hope is Built on Nothing Less* WB 343

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

Worship Band: John, Christi and Noah Michaels, Bill and Allison Seymour,
Anita and Natalie Fisher
Song Leader: Carol Rheinheimer
Reader: Marion Beyeler

Today (August 27)

- 9:30 a.m. Fellowship
- 9:45 a.m. Worship Service
Pastor Bill Seymour preaching
Sending and Blessing for Ryan Schmidt
- 10:45 a.m. Sharing and Prayer
- 11:05 a.m. Sunday School
 - Adults meet in fellowship hall around tables to look at MCUSA Future Church Summit materials
 - Children meet in their regular classroom area

Tuesday

6:00 p.m. WINGS – *Input Night*

Wednesday

6:30 p.m. Axis Youth Group
6:30 p.m. BreakAway – *Welcome to BreakAway!*

Next Sunday (September 3)

9:30 a.m. Fellowship
9:45 a.m. Worship Service
Pastor Bill Seymour preaching
Scripture: James 4:1-12
Message: *Who's In Charge?....What, Again?*
10:45 a.m. Sharing and Prayer
11:05 a.m. Sunday School

Last Sunday (August 20)

Ministry Spending Plan: \$2,632.00
Partnership Plan: \$
Mennonite Mission Network: \$100.00
Weekly MSP Needed: \$3,054.79
Weekly PP Needed: \$897.35
Land: \$100.00

Greeters Today Ryan Schmidt, John Kauffman

Next Sunday John and Barb Shilling, Kara Shilling

Elder Greeter Jen Bixler
Next Sunday Bill Seymour

Worship Nursery Danae King
Next Sunday Sandy Sohar

Coffee Hospitality John and Barb Shilling

Next Sunday Stan and Marilyn Kamp

Change of Plans!!! – Tonight's corn roast/bonfire has been postponed to a later date. BECAUSE, we would like to encourage people to attend the peace rally on the Public Square in Wooster at 6:00 p.m. This rally (called *CommUNITY*) is in response to recent KKK recruitment in Wooster and includes Jacob Dodson (Wooster Menno pastor) as one of the speakers. Why move our other event for this? Pastor Bill has never attended or wanted to attend a protest of any kind, and for some reason, is feeling led to be present for this one and to encourage everyone else to attend as well. The Elders support this instinct. Let's go to rally with a song on our hearts and peace in our souls.

Opportunities abound today!!!

Salem Wooster Mennonite is having a fundraiser lunch today at 12.15 p.m. for a church in Brazil that was ruined in a flood.

There is a peace rally in Millersburg at 2:00 p.m. today, organized by a teen from Millersburg Mennonite Church.

There is a peace rally at the Public Square in Wooster at 6:00 p.m. tonight.

Kara Shilling and Evan Zuercher have been officially accepted into the *Vida 220* discipleship training program in Costa Rica and will be starting their ten-month adventure on October 1st. You are invited to a fundraiser meal and a sending worship/prayer time for their trip on Saturday, September 16th from 5-7 p.m. at Orrville Mennonite Church. The meal will begin at 5:00 p.m. and serving will end around 7:00 p.m. At 7:30 there will be a short time of worship and prayer as a sending for Kara and Evan as they head into this new adventure!

Tanzania in June, 2018!!! Missions is looking toward an all church field trip to Tanzania in June of 2018 to visit, share, learn, and worship with some Mennonite congregations there. We are thinking that the trip would total 10-14 days, including travel time. If you have even mild interest in such a trip, please see Lidia, Mark, or Bill.

Orrville Mennonite Church Daily Devotions

Week ending with Sunday, September 3, 2017

Day One Read Romans 12.1-2
What is the goal of daily Christian life?

Day Two Read 1 John 2.12-17
What is the difference between the “world” and God?

Day Three Read James 3.13-18
What is wisdom?

Day Four Read James 4.1-3
What cause fights and quarrels?

Day Five Read James 4.4-16
Who’s in charge? What does this mean in your daily life, according to this passage?

“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 August 27, 2017

Matthew 16.13-20

What Rock?

Compare:

Matthew 16.17-18
Matthew 16. 22-23
Matthew 17.1-5

Jesus is the Rock

1 Corinthians 3.11
Matthew 7.24-27
Psalm 118.22 quoted by Jesus in Matthew 21.42
Acts 4.11-12

What does it mean for Jesus to be the foundation on which the church is built?

Love rather than hate
Peace rather than violence
Truth rather than deception
Honesty rather than pretending/hiding
Faith rather than worry
Others rather than self

We have talked as a congregation about:
A yoke of love rather than a bat of righteousness.
Meeting people where they are as Jesus did.

See these applied in John 4.1-26 and 8.1-11

How do you make Jesus the foundation on which the church – the **system** of believers meeting together – the collection of **organized** believers – is built?

Start here:

Matthew 5.1-16
Matthew 11.28-30
1 Corinthians 3.11
Ephesians 4.12-13 (1-16)

What are we doing at Orrville Mennonite?

We seek to offer growth through:

Discipleship opportunities:

Service opportunities

Jesus says – *On this rock I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.*
Matthew 16.18

Obedient Practice from James 3.13-18

When responding to a problem with a person, take time to consider your words, their tone, and your face. Ask yourself what response will convey the truth while honoring the imprint of the image of God in the other person?

Prayer Concerns & Praises for Week of August 27, 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.
- **Prayers for our government leaders** in these uncertain times.
- **Elder Council, Pastor and Ministry Team leaders, Grow Groups**
- **Mennonite Church USA Future Church Summit** – please be in prayer for leadership at all levels and all of us as we reflect on and discuss the outcome of the summit.
- **Youth who connect with us through WINGS, BreakAway and Axis YG**
- **Ryan Schmidt** – praise and prayers for him as he transitions to a new job and home.
- **Amos & Esther Muhagachi** – prayers for them and their family.
- **Wilma Eash** – prayers for recovery following surgery to place heart stents.
- **SWAP Ministry/Pete & Lou Erb** – prayers for Pete and Lou as Pete continues recovery following a fall.
- **Kathy Troyer's friend, Sue** – prayers for Sue as she is pregnant and on bedrest due to high blood pressure & pre-eclampsia. Pray for peace of mind, safety for the baby and for Sue.
- **Lance Almond**
- **Pray for Christi's friend's father and his family.** Chemotherapy is not working in his situation.
- **Noah, (6 years old) Judy King's niece's son** diagnosed with Lyme disease. Pray for wisdom for doctors for how to treat him.
- **Anna Miller, Sandy Miller's mother** – prayers for Anna as she grieves the passing of Al and copes with many changes and transitions in her life.
- **Lidia Zehr's sister, Alicia** – prayers for Lidia as she ministers to family members and especially prayers for Alicia who has serious health concerns.
- **Lois Leidig** – prayers for relief from pain and discomfort in her back.
- **Sawsan Elateek and her children, Seif and Yasmine**
- **Larry Gerber** – continued healing.
- **Ralph Rheinheimer** – continued healing.
- **Grace Geiser** – at Brenn-Field Nursing Center
- **Dorothy Miller** – at the Inn at Belden Village
- **Cathy Gable** – at Orrville Pointe
- **Judy Ferguson's son, Bill & daughter-in-law Kate** – health concerns
- **Pastor Santos & Ester Reyes** – Continue to pray that God would provide ways to meet their spiritual, physical & material needs.
- **Bill and Allison's niece, Amy**, who struggles with debilitating depression.
- **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.
- **Mennonite Mission Network** – Deb Byler, based in the Indiana office, has served Mennonite Mission Network in worker care for many years. Now, she is returning to Guatemala to minister alongside women leaders in the Kekchi Mennonite Church. Pray for Deb as she renews relationships and encourages women to use their gifts.

Hostess sets on table in fellowship hall are free for the taking. After 2 weeks they will be taken to a thrift store. Help yourself!

Semillas de Paz – Seeds of Peace: The Story of SEMILLA Latin American Anabaptist Seminary. A documentary film will be shown at Central Christian School – PAC in Kidron on Saturday, September 23rd at 7 p.m.

HELP DISPLACED PEOPLE IN DR CONGO: Armed conflict in the Kasai region of the Democratic Republic of the Congo has displaced 1.4 million people, including 8,000 Mennonites. A Congolese assessment team visited this summer and found a severe lack of food and increasing malnutrition. Families had to leave their fields and animals when they fled the violence, and food that is available for purchase is very expensive. An Anabaptist response is underway, shaped and implemented by Congolese Mennonite and Mennonite Brethren church-based relief committees, coordinated by Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) and supported by global and Canada- and U.S.-based Anabaptist organizations. Your gift of money will help provide food, household items and shelter supplies. Make your donation online at mcc.org/congo-relief or by phone, [1-888-563-4676](tel:1-888-563-4676); mail checks to MCC, PO Box 500, Akron PA 17501. Please keep those who have been forced from their homes, and those hosting them, in your prayers.

Sonnenberg Station Concerts:

Monday, October 30th at Walnut Hills Retirement Home
Sunday, November 5th at Faith Lutheran Church in Millersburg
Wednesday, November 8th at Wadsworth Trinity UCC
Friday, November 17th at St. Peter's UCC, Apple Creek
Saturday, November 18th at Trinity United Methodist, Orrville
Sunday, November 19th at St. Timothy's Episcopalian, Massillon

Back to School shopping is underway! Keep your eyes open for deals on items that can go into MCC's School Kits. We will have bags available if you'd like to complete your own, or supplies can be donated and the kits will be assembled at the Material Resource Center in Kidron. Please note the specific items for the kits. The brands in parentheses are recommended by our in-house expert, Lois Leidig, but not required. We will be collecting for several weeks, with an end date sometime in September. Thanks! ~ Missions Ministry

- 4 - spiral or perforated notebooks, 8.5 x 10.5, 70 sheets
- 8 - unsharpened pencils (Ticonderoga)
- 1 - ruler; flat, flexible, 12 inch and 30 cm markings
- 12 - colored pencils in packaging (Crayola)
- 1 - large pencil eraser