

**Changes to Sunday School and Worship Times – help spread the word!**

**Beginning Sunday, February 4th**, our Sunday schedule will be as follows:

Sunday School - 9 a.m.

Fellowship - 10 a.m.

Worship - 10:30 a.m.

Going forward, greeters can plan to be at the entrances at 8:45 a.m. to greet those coming for Sunday School. And then again from 10 - 10:30 a.m. to greet attenders and visitors who come for the worship service only.

Thanks for your patience as we work out the logistics of our new schedule!

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**Happy Birthday to Nic Snyder (2/2) and Ralph Rheinheimer (2/3)** who are celebrating their birthdays this week! Please remember them by sending a card or offering a special prayer of thanks for them.

**Coming Events:**

February 9-11 5 Church Marriage Retreat in Charm, OH

February 11 Dan King, Guest Speaker

February 16-18 Junior High Youth Retreat at Camp Luz  
BreakAway Youth attending (rescheduled)

February 18 First Sunday in Lent

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**January 28, 2018**

*"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**

**Singing**

*The Love of God* SJ 44 a cappella

*My Faith Has Found a Resting Place* SJ 43 a cappella

**Prayer of Confession** SJ 132

**Singing**

*Lamb of God* SJ 21

*O God in Heaven* SJ 53

**Offering/Prayer**

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

**Song** *What a Saviour*

**Message** *Who died and made you boss?*

**Scripture** 1 Corinthians 8.1-13

1 Corinthians 9.19, 10.23-24

**Response** *The Body*

**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**

Accompanist: Anita Fisher

Worship Band: John, Christi, Noah Michaels, Andrew Fisher

Allison and Bill Seymour

Reader: Virgil and Kathy Troyer

**Today (January 28)**

- 9:30 a.m. Fellowship
- 9:45 a.m. Worship Service
- 10:45 a.m. Sharing and Prayer
- 11:00 a.m. Sunday School
- 2:30 p.m. Bible Quizzing at Sonnenberg Mennonite Church  
Genesis 17:9-27, 18, 19

**Tuesday**

- 6:30 p.m. WINGS – *Jesus is our Leader* (Snack – Jantzis)

**Wednesday**

- 6:30 p.m. Axis Youth Group – *Service Night*
- 6:30 p.m. BreakAway – *Jesus Story* (Snack – Martha M)

**Thursday**

- 9:30 a.m. Women's Fellowship and Service
- 6:00 p.m. *Meet and Eat* at Dravenstotts

**Next Sunday (February 4) Note time changes!**

- 9:00 a.m. Sunday School
- 10:00 a.m. Fellowship
- 10:30 a.m. Worship Service  
Message: *Being "Wishy Washy"*  
Scripture: 1 Corinthians 9.19-24
- 2:30 p.m. Bible Quizzing at Sonnenberg Mennonite Church  
Genesis 20, 21, 22:1-19; 23
- Time tba Super Bowl Party Fundraiser for Axis Youth Group

**Greeters Today** Louise Bowers, Willie and Sandy Miller**Next Sunday** Marion and Jane Beyeler, Martha Miller**Elder Greeter Today** Bill Seymour **Next Sunday** Jen Bixler**Worship Nursery Today** Virg and Kathy Troyer**Next Sunday** Jen and Mark Bixler**Coffee Hospitality Today** Stan Kamp**Next Sunday** Ralph and Carol Rheinheimer**Last Sunday (January 21)**

Ministry Spending Plan: \$3,352.09      Weekly MSP Needed: \$3,054.79  
 Partnership Plan: \$200.00      Weekly PP Needed: \$897.35  
 Other: \$2.00

**We express sincere sympathies to Judy and Danae King and extended family** in the passing of mother-in-law and grandmother, Dorothy King on Monday, January 22<sup>nd</sup>. A contribution has been made to the I.W. Royer Scholarship Fund in Dorothy's memory.

**We express sincere sympathies to Rachel and Mel Gingerich, Fred and June Yoder and their extended family** in the passing of their mother, Anna Yoder on Tuesday, January 23<sup>rd</sup>. A contribution has been made to the I.W. Royer Scholarship Fund in Anna's memory.

**We welcome Liqi (Sky) Mao** – a Central Christian School international student who is staying at Bill and Allison's home this semester.

**We've added a church mailbox for the Mike & Sharon Stutzman Hartzler Family.** Please add the following information to your church directory. Address: 9973 Akron Road, Rittman, OH 44270; Phones: Mike – (330) 201.5532, Sharon – (330) 201.1367 and Maggie – (330)347-2418; Email: [ssh44270@gmail.com](mailto:ssh44270@gmail.com). Their family also includes Caroline (11/2/03-10/17/05) who died from a stroke in 2005; Abe, a senior at Eastern Mennonite University; and Lydia who is married to Riley Hall and lives in Marysville, Ohio.

**The Missions ministry would like to prepare Valentine boxes** for those among us who are in service work or post-secondary schooling. \*You will find a card and a box at the back of the sanctuary for the following:  
*Amos, Esther, and Peace Muhagachi (AMBS)*  
*Febri Kristiani (AMBS)*  
*Pete and Lou Erb (SWAP)*  
*Donaldo Lleshi (EMU)*  
*Doug Fisher (Mt Vernon)*  
*Xan Seymour (Goshen)*  
*Megan Sohar (Kent State)*  
*Diane Hostetler (University of Akron)*  
*\*Kara Shilling (Vida 220) (card only)*  
 We are only doing a card for Kara since she won't receive mail until May. Please bless these folks with a written word of affection and a sweet treat or a healthy snack! We will be collecting items and notes this Sunday Jan. 28 and next Sunday, Feb 4 ONLY, so that they can be mailed and hopefully arrive by Valentine's Day. If you would like to donate toward the cost of mailing, please see Lidia Zehr.

**Would you be a Valentine?** – 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 a packet of cards for WINGS and/or BreakAway. This could be an activity for a Grow Group or Sunday School class to do together (divide up the names on the list and have a 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 13<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday, February 14<sup>th</sup>.

- **Taryn (Diane Hostetler's classmate) and her baby**, born 3 months early
- **SWAP Ministry/Pete & Lou Erb**
- **Anna Miller, Sandy Miller's mother** as she adjusts to life transitions
- **Sawsan Elateek and her children, Seif and Yasmine.** Yasmine is in college to study pharmacy.
- **Bill's sister Laurie**, who is primary caretaker for her father-in-law, brother-in-law, as well as her daughter, **Amy**, who struggles with deep psychological illness.
- **Mennonite Mission Network** – Today, MMN's Service Adventure leaders are concluding a retreat in San Diego. Pray that the spiritual & physical renewal they experience through worship & fellowship will inspire & sustain them in the coming months of mentoring the participants in their units.
- **Mennonite Education Agency – Bethel College, North Newton, Kansas.** Thank God for the gift of music as the Bethel College Concert Choir presents their home concert this evening, following their every-four-years interterm tour to Europe.

## What A Saviour

### Verse 1

What a Saviour my Redeemer  
 Friend of sinners one like me  
 Oh what kindness suffered violence  
 Healed my blindness and set me free

### Chorus

(And) Oh what grace I've found in You my Jesus  
 That my soul should entertain Your greatness  
 Should this life hold nothing but my Saviour  
 (Oh) I will praise You always (yeah)

### Verse 2

Heaven's glory clothed in mercy  
 Knew my story yet took my end  
 Oh what freedom hope like heaven  
 Now forgiven I will rise again

### Chorus (twice)

### Bridge

Should this life I live  
 Hold nothing but the cross  
 Where Jesus took my shame  
 Then with arms stretched wide  
 And my head held high  
 My ev'ry breath will sing again

### Chorus

Chris Davenport | Joel Houston

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## The Body

### Verse 1

It's Your breath that's filling our lungs  
And through our veins it's Your blood that runs  
It's Your life that makes us alive  
We are the body of Christ

### Pre-Chorus

So let our hearts beat with Your heartbeat

### Chorus

Great things You have done  
Greater things are yet to come  
Fill us with Your glory we are Your body  
Take our hands take our hearts  
We surrender all we are  
Fill us with Your glory we are Your body

### Verse 2

It's Your love that's making us one  
One that moves as Your kingdom comes  
Jesus let Your light make us shine  
Shine like the body of Christ

### Pre-Chorus and Chorus

### Bridge

Let Your kingdom come  
Father let Your will be done (through us)

### Chorus

Steven Curtis Chapman

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## Prayer Concerns & Praises for Week of January 28, 2018

- **That God would be glorified and that lives would be transformed** in every aspect of Orrville Mennonite Church.
- **Prayers for our government leaders** in these uncertain times.
- **Elder Council, Pastor and Ministry Team leaders, Grow Groups**
- **Mennonite Church USA *Journey Forward: Embracing God's hope for MCUSA*** – prayers for those participating in this 2-year visioning process.
- **Upanga Mennonite Church, Dar es Salaam, Tanzania.** Please pray for Pastor Abner Mathube and for God to multiply this congregation.
- **Youth who connect with us through WINGS, BreakAway and Axis YG**
- **Praise! Judy Ferguson** welcomes a new great-granddaughter, Margo Sutherland Johnson born to Christian and Skye Johnson on December 13<sup>th</sup>. Christian is the son of Deb (Ferguson) and Clark Johnson.
- **Caskey Family** – grieving the sudden passing of husband and dad, Steven.
- **Family of Dorothy King** – Please keep Eldon and family in your prayers as they grieve Dorothy's passing. She passed away Monday, January 22<sup>nd</sup>.
- **Family of Anna Yoder** – Please keep Rachel & Mel and Fred & June and the extended family in your prayers as they grieve the passing of their mother, Anna. She passed away on Tuesday, January 23<sup>rd</sup> at the age of 98. Address for Mel & Rachel, PO Box 53, Kittredge, CO 80457. Address for Fred & June Yoder, 1508 Sunset Farm Road SW, Albuquerque, NM 87105. There will be a private family memorial in Colorado at a later date.
- **Kara Shilling is currently in El Salvador** and will not be able to receive mail. Things are going well! Please keep the prayers going!
- **Lowell & Louise Bowers** – Lowell is at West View Manor (assisted living)
- **Amos & Esther Muhagachi** and their family
- **Jane Beyeler's friend and her son** – walking the difficult journey of addiction with her son.
- **Jen Bixler's father, Aden Troyer** – praise that he is making progress in getting better; prayers that he would be encouraged by the progress he is making.
- **Christi's friend, Karen Wayt**, as she undergoes treatment for cancer; prayers for she and her family as they journey together
- **Lance Almond** as he seeks medical care for congestive heart failure. Prayers for sleep and peace and the help he needs.
- **Karen Overholt (niece of Dale & Nancy Hostetler)**
- **Joy Schrock – wife of Dean** (Sandy Sohar's and Kathy Troyer's father) undergoing radiation treatments.
- **Kara Shilling's friend, Keturah** – pain related to spina bifida.
- **Diane Hostetler's friend, Al** – cancerous tumor, raising funds for treatment
- **Sherm & LaVonne Amstutz** as they serve at the Haggai Institute in Hawaii.
- **Academia Menonita Betania in Puerto Rico** – sister school to Central Christian as they recover and rebuild after Hurricanes Irma and Maria.
- **Grace Geiser** (Brenn-Field), **Dorothy Miller** (Inn at Belden Village), **Cathy Gable** (Orrville Pointe)
- **Mim Wenger's cousin's (Chet) wife, Kellie Slabaugh** – brain cancer
- **Mim's cousin, Rose Emick** – lung cancer

- **MCC SWAP** is looking for people to serve as: Meal Coordinator/Cook and Job Site Coordinator/Carpenter. Feel free to pass on the information to people who you think may have interest in serving with SWAP! Anyone 18 years old and above (retired adults are very welcomed) is eligible to apply. Lou Erb is happy to answer any questions you have! Peter and Louisa Pirozzi-Erb – SWAP Hindman Location Coordinators PO Box 157, Hindman, KY 41822  
[606-785-0552](tel:606-785-0552) Email: [louisapirozzierb@mcc.org](mailto:louisapirozzierb@mcc.org)

**COME READ THE BIBLE WITH JESUS!** ‘What if today’s Christians not only sought to imitate how Jesus lived and how he treated people, but also how he read and interpreted scripture?’ Bryon Moyer Suderman, Bible teacher and singer-songwriter of Kitchener, Ontario, will explore this question in a four-session Bible Study of the gospel of Mark at Salem Mennonite Church, 3363 Zuercher Road, Dalton on Friday evening, February 16 at 7 p.m. and Saturday, February 17<sup>th</sup> from 9 a.m. – 2 p.m. The \$20 fee will help defray lunch costs and Bryon's transportation. Register by emailing [Summitmenno@sbcglobal.net](mailto:Summitmenno@sbcglobal.net) by February 14. Fees collected at the door. Student fees are \$10 and scholarships are also available. For more information or questions, phone 330 201 5213.

## Sermon Notes for January 28, 2018

1 Corinthians 8.1-13, 9.19, 10.23-33

*Who died and made you boss?*

I am in charge!!!!

Wait. Who’s in charge?

What bearing does this have when I disagree with my sister or brother about proper conduct?

### John 15.13

*Greater love has no one than this, that he lay his life down for his friends.*

### 1 Corinthians 8.1-13

**Eat whatever you want**, giving thanks to the Lord for it because *The Kingdom of God is not about eating or drinking, but of righteousness, peace, and joy in the Holy Spirit.* Romans 14.17

**Except when ....** not everyone was there yet in their faith??

### 1 Corinthians 9.19 and 10.23-30

Exercise self-discipline for the sake of serving others, even if it means laying down a right or privilege

#### See also:

Romans 14.1-5 +

Rather than condemn, put up with those who are still developing.

1 Corinthians 9.24-27, Romans 12.1-2

Life sacrificially, in a way that others see and receive Christ.

## Why?

We want to win people for Jesus.  
This is what Jesus did.

1 Corinthians 9.19  
Philippians 2.5-11

### 1 Corinthians 10.31-33

Seek the good not of yourself, but of many, so that they may be saved.

### Questions for Discussion and Application:

1. Are you willing to put down your freedom for the sake of another person?
2. What if you don't really like the person?
3. In your world, what are the disagreed upon things that could harm another person's faith?
4. What freedoms do you understand you have in your world that could be a stumbling block for others?
5. How does "Repent and Believe," Jesus opening message (Mark 1.15,17) relate to laying down our privilege and understandings for others?

## Orrville Mennonite Church Daily Devotions Week ending with Sunday, February 4, 2018

Day One Read Isaiah 40.21-31  
What does the Lord do?

Day Two Read Psalm 147.1-11, 20c  
What does the Lord do?

Day Three Read Mark 1.29-39  
Who came to Jesus? Why? What did he do?

Day Four Read Hebrews 2.14-18  
Why did Jesus come?

Day Five Read 1 Corinthians 9.16-23  
Why is it good to become "all things to all people?"

**"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.*

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### Upcoming Events on Immigration

- **Wet: A DACamented Journey** – The story of what it means to be an American in every sense of the word, except for one: on paper. It chronicles the story of Anner Cividanis' journey of living his whole life in the United States as an undocumented American. The play captures the desperation that DREAMers feel when considering the very limited options of adjustment of status, by being forced to navigate through a broken U.S. Immigration System. The play examines the emotional and psychological hardship one man has to endure in order to secure his livelihood in the only home he was known: Los Angeles. **This event is free and open to the public. January 31, 2018 @7pm in Freedlander Theatre at the College of Wooster.**
- **Immigration Policy and Politics under the Trump Administration: What's Happened and What's Happening Next?** - a lecture by Angela Maria Kelley Senior Strategic Advisor on Immigration at the Open Society Foundation. After her presentation, there will be an opportunity for Q&A with the audience. **This event is free and open to the public. February 6, 2018 @ 7:30 p.m. in Gault Recital Hall, Scheide Music Center at the College of Wooster, 525 E. University St.**