

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

Beginning today, 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!

You can nurture your children's faith at home this Lent and Easter with family worship. Find a free, downloadable guide at www.anabaptistfaithformation.org. For use between March 1 and April 16 (Easter Sunday), it includes a daily Bible reading, short litany, songs, hands-on activities and questions to ponder together.

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Happy Birthday to Jane Beyeler (2/6) who celebrates her birthday this week! Please remember her by sending a card or offering a special prayer of thanks for her.

Coming Events:

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 *I Sing the Mighty Power of God* WB 46 (a cappella)
Wonderful Grace of Jesus WB 150 (a cappella)

Prayer of Confession WB 686 and 690

Response *In Christ Alone*

Offering/Prayer

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

Singing *Rest*
You are salt for the earth WB 226

Message *Being Wishy Washy* Pastor Bill Seymour

Scripture 1 Corinthians 9.19-24

Song *Because He Lives (Amen)*

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: Doug Zehr

Song Leader: Jane Beyeler

Today (February 4)

- 9:00 a.m. Sunday School
- 10:00 a.m. Fellowship
- 10:30 a.m. Worship Service
- 2:30 p.m. Bible Quizzing at Sonnenberg Mennonite Church
Genesis 20,21,22:1-19; 23
- 6:00 p.m. Super Bowl Party Fundraiser for Axis Youth Group

Tuesday

- 6:30 p.m. WINGS – *Design Night*

Wednesday

- 6:30 p.m. Axis Youth Group
- 6:30 p.m. BreakAway – *Bowling* (Snack – Sohar)

Friday – Sunday Five Church Marriage Retreat**Next Sunday (February 11)**

- 9:00 a.m. Sunday School
- 10:00 a.m. Fellowship
- 10:30 a.m. Worship Service
Guest Speaker – Dan King
- 2:30 p.m. Bible Quizzing at Sonnenberg Mennonite Church
Genesis 24:1-33; 24:47b-67; 25

Greeters Today Marion and Jane Beyeler, Martha Miller**Next Sunday** John Kauffman, Ralph and Carol Rheinheimer**Elder Greeter Today** Jen Bixler **Next Sunday** Marion Beyeler**Worship Nursery Today** Jen and Mark Bixler**Next Sunday** Willie and Sandy Miller**Coffee Hospitality Today** Ralph and Carol Rheinheimer**Next Sunday** John and Barb Shilling**Last Sunday (January 28)**

Ministry Spending Plan: \$2,900.25	Weekly MSP Needed: \$3,054.79
Partnership Plan: \$250.00	Weekly PP Needed: \$897.35
BreakAway: \$20.00	Land: \$160.00
Compassion Fund: \$150.00	Ohio Conference: \$200.00
Mennonite Central Committee: \$200.00	
Mennonite Mission Network: \$360.00	

Please note: Mike & Sharon Stutzman Hartzler's phone numbers were accidentally switched in last Sunday's bulletin. Corrections as follows:

Mike – (330) 201.1367 and Sharon – (330) 201.5532

Directory update for Lowell Bowers: West View Healthy Living, 1715 Mechanicsburg Road, 34 Green Ridge Boulevard, Wooster, OH 44691

We express sincere sympathies to the family of Dorothy Miller. Dorothy passed away on Monday, January 29th. A contribution has been made to the I.W. Royer Scholarship Fund in Dorothy's memory.

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)

Abe Hartzler (EMU)

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 through today 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 13th and Wednesday, February 14th.

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!

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Prayer Concerns & Praises for Week of February 4, 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.
- **SWAP Ministry/Pete & Lou Erb – urgent need for summer staff!**
- **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**
- **Family of Dorothy Miller** – prayers as they grieve the passing of Dorothy (Monday, January 29th)
- **Kara Shilling** – continued prayers as she continues in discipleship training
- **Lowell & Louise Bowers** – Lowell is at West View Healthy 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** – 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** – Prayers for sleep and peace and the help he needs.
- **Joy Schrock – wife of Dean** (Sandy Sohar's and Kathy Troyer's father) undergoing treatment for cancer.
- **Kara Shilling's friend, Keturah** – pain related to spina bifida.
- **Diane Hostetler's friend, Al** – cancerous tumor, raising funds for treatment
- **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), **Cathy Gable** (Orrville Pointe)
- **Mim Wenger's cousin's (Chet) wife, Kellie Slabaugh** – brain cancer
- **Mim's cousin, Rose Emick** – lung cancer
- **Taryn (Diane Hostetler's classmate) and her baby**, born 3 months early
- **Anna Miller, Sandy Miller's mother** as she adjusts to life transitions
- **Sawsan Elateek and her children, Seif and Yasmine.**
- **Bill's sister Laurie**, who is primary caretaker for her father-in-law, brother-in-law, as well as daughter, **Amy**, struggling with deep psychological illness.
- **Mennonite Mission Network** – MMN requests prayer for Juliet Kilpin of the Anabaptist Network in the United Kingdom. Pray for her as she serves among refugees in Calais, France, through advocacy, presence, and training in nonviolence.
- **Mennonite Education Agency – Bluffton (Ohio) University.** Bluffton students who participated in a cross-cultural experience last semester will present during Forum on Tuesday. Please pray for all students who are studying abroad. Also pray for students who are considering the different cross-cultural opportunities available that they give careful discernment to each program.

Sermon Notes for February 4, 2018

1 Corinthians 9.19-23

Be all things for all people – not to make them happy, but to walk with them so that you can learn from each other and both grow closer to Christ.

Philippians 2.3-5

At the expense of your own interests, look after the interests of others. In your relationships, have the same mindset of Christ.

What does it mean to be a slave for other people in order to win them to Christ?

Orrville Mennonite Church Daily Devotions Week ending with Sunday, February 11, 2018

Day One Read 2 Kings 2.1-12

What did Elijah ask Elisha? Why did Elisha ask for what he did?

Day Two Read Psalm 50.1-6

What does the image of perfection and shining and calling out have to do with God judging people?

Day Three Read 2 Corinthians 4.3-6

What does it mean to be someone's slave for Jesus' sake?

Day Four Read Luke 2.22-40

What declarations are made about Jesus?

Day Five Read Mark 9.2-9

What is said about Jesus? Why does this matter?

“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.*

Rest

Verse 1

Oh my Lord, You are my Shepherd and I shall not want
Oh my Lord, Beside still waters You repair my heart
I trust in You oh I trust in You

Chorus

Even though I walk through the valley of death
You restore my soul and You give me rest
Oh the memories of Your faithfulness
You restore my soul and You give me rest
You restore my soul and You give me rest
You give me rest

Verse 2

Oh my Lord, You've prepared a table for You and me
Oh my Lord, In the middle of a fire with my enemies
I trust in You oh I trust in You

Chorus

Bridge

I will fear no evil for You're here with me
Your goodness and Your love
They will never leave
Just a closer walk with Thee just a closer walk
Just a closer walk with Thee just a closer walk

Chorus

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In Christ Alone

In Christ alone my hope is found
He is my light, my strength, my song
This cornerstone, this solid ground
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm
What heights of love, what depths of peace
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease
My comforter, my all in all
Here in the love of Christ I stand

In Christ alone, who took on flesh
Fullness of God in helpless Babe
This gift of love and righteousness
Scorned by the ones He came to save
'Til on the cross as Jesus died
The wrath of God was satisfied

For ev'ry sin on Him was laid
Here in the death of Christ I live

There in the ground His body lay
Light of the world by darkness slain
Then, bursting forth in glorious day
Up from the grave He rose again
And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me
For I am His and He is mine
Bought with the precious blood of Christ

No guilt in life, no fear in death
This is the pow'r of Christ in me
From life's first cry to final breath
Jesus commands my destiny
No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man
Can ever pluck me from His hand
'Til He returns or calls me home
Here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand

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Because He Lives (Amen)

Verse 1

I believe in the Son
I believe in the Risen One
I believe I overcome
By the power of His blood

Chorus

Amen amen
I'm alive I'm alive because He lives
Amen amen
Let my song join the one that
never ends
(Because He Lives)

Verse 2

I was dead in the grave
I was covered in sin and shame
I heard mercy call my name
He rolled the stone away

Chorus

Bridge

Because He lives I can face
tomorrow
Because He lives ev'ry fear is
gone
I know He holds my life
My future in His hand

Chorus

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