

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

**Beginning today, February 4th**, our Sunday schedule is 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 Sharon Stutzman Hartzler (2/16)** who celebrates her birthday this week! Please remember her by sending a card or offering a special prayer of thanks for her.

**Coming Events:**

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| March 1            | All-Church Comforter Knotting at OMC                                   |
| March 8 and 9      | Missional Conference – <i>Gathered and Sent</i> at Bluffton University |
| March 9 and 10     | Annual Conference Assembly at Bluffton University                      |
| March 11           | Bible Quizzing Local Tournament at Sonnenberg                          |
| March 15           | All Church MCC Kit Packing at MCC Connections                          |
| March 16-18        | Invitational Bible Quizzing Tournament in Pettisville, Ohio            |
| March 25 – April 1 | Holy Week – more information coming!                                   |

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# Orrville Mennonite Church

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**February 11, 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**

**Prelude**

*Sweet Hour of Prayer* (Gene Clark)

**Hymn**

*Sweet Hour of Prayer* WB 11 (a cappella)

**Hymn**

*For the Beauty of the Earth* WB 89 (a cappella)

**Responsive Prayer** WB 721

**Hymn**

*Praise God from Whom* WB 119

**Offering/Prayer**

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

**Offertory**

*Be Thou My Vision* (Edward Broughton) Judy Ferguson

**Hymn**

*Love Divine, All Loves Excelling* WB 592

**Scripture**

Mark 9:2-9

**Message**

*You Light Up My Life*

Dan King

**Hymn**

*Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise* WB 70

**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**

**Postlude**

Organist: Judy Ferguson

Reader: Marion Beyeler

Song Leader: Jane Beyeler

**Today (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

**Tuesday**

- 6:30 p.m. WINGS – *Jesus is our Teacher*  
 7:00 p.m. Regional Ohio Conference Delegate Meeting  
     at Sonnenberg Mennonite Church

**Wednesday**

- 6:30 p.m. Axis Youth Group  
 6:15 p.m. BreakAway – *Bowling at Wayne Lanes* (rescheduled)

**Thursday**

- 7:00 p.m. Community Discipleship Meeting

**Friday – Saturday** Come Read the Bible with Jesus!  
 (see announcement in bulletin)

**Friday – Sunday** Junior High Retreat at Camp Luz  
 BreakAway Youth and Leaders attending

**Next Sunday (February 18) 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Lent**

- 9:00 a.m. Sunday School  
 10:00 a.m. Fellowship  
 10:30 a.m. Worship Service  
     **Lenten Series Begins:**  
     *Promises, Promises: A Tour of the Covenants*  
     Part 1: *A Tour of the Covenants*  
     Scripture: Genesis 1 – 4  
 2:30 p.m. Bible Quizzing at Sonnenberg Mennonite Church  
     Genesis 26; 27; 28:1-9

**Greeters Today** John Kauffman, Ralph and Carol Rheinheimer

**Next Sunday** Doug and Lidia Zehr, Judy King

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

**Worship Nursery Today** Willie and Sandy Miller

**Next Sunday** Judy King

**Coffee Hospitality Today** Nancy Hostetler and Louise Bowers

**Next Sunday** Stan and Marilyn Kamp

**Last Sunday (February 4)**

Ministry Spending Plan: \$2,302.00	Weekly MSP Needed: \$3,054.79
Partnership Plan: \$275.00	Weekly PP Needed: \$897.35
Compassion Fund: \$25.00	Land: \$100.00
Mennonite Central Committee: \$25.00	WINGS: \$300.00
Mennonite Mission Network: \$100.00	

**We welcome Dan King** to our worship service this morning. Dan is married to Jeanette Neuenschwander (44 years). They have two married sons, Matt (Renata) who lives in Chicago and Phil (Amanda) who lives in Austin. Dan has been a bi-vocational pastor/science teacher in Miami, Florida for 16 years, a middle school science teacher at Central Christian for 10 years and a pastor at Beech Mennonite Church in Louisville for 9 ½ years. He's now "retired" and working part-time at Dover High School as a Spanish interpreter and at Camp Buckeye in Outdoor Education. His hobbies include music, gardening, beekeeping, traveling and reading.

**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 (or you can provide your own cards) 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> & Wednesday, February 14<sup>th</sup>.

**Families with children:** This Wednesday is the first day of Lent and the beginning of "Between Me & You," a free, downloadable guide for family worship from February 14<sup>th</sup> through April 1<sup>st</sup>, Easter Sunday. Pick and choose the activities that work best for your family. Find it at [www.anabaptistfaithformation.org](http://www.anabaptistfaithformation.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<sup>th</sup> 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<sup>th</sup>. Fees collected at the door. Student fees are \$10 and scholarships are also available. For more information or questions, phone [330.201.5213](tel:330.201.5213).

- **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** – grieving the passing of Dorothy
- **Kara Shilling** – continuing in discipleship training
- **Mel & Lois Leidig** – ongoing health concerns
- **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** – encouragement in progress he's making.
- **Christi's friend, Karen Wayt**, as she undergoes treatment for cancer; prayers for she and her family as they journey together
- **Lance Almond** – serious health issues
- **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** – Join MMN in praising God for the growth in Christ's body in Israel. A mission worker reports that when the nation was founded in 1948, only 12 Jewish people counted themselves as believers. Now, there are about 25,000 – 30,000 believers in approximately 300 Arab and Messianic congregations.
- **Mennonite Education Agency – Bethel College, North Newton, KS.** Thank God for Bethel College alumni who share their musical gifts with the college community, such as Roseann Penner Kaufman, organ, presenting a recital, "Moved by the Spirit," in Bethel's chapel this afternoon.

## Key Thought –

### Mark 9:2-9 (NLT) The Transfiguration

<sup>2</sup> Six days later Jesus took Peter, James, and John, and led them up a high mountain to be alone. As the men watched, Jesus' appearance was transformed,<sup>3</sup> and his clothes became dazzling white, far whiter than any earthly bleach could ever make them. <sup>4</sup> Then Elijah and Moses appeared and began talking with Jesus. <sup>5</sup> Peter exclaimed, "Rabbi, it's wonderful for us to be here! Let's make three shelters as memorials—one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." <sup>6</sup> He said this because he didn't really know what else to say, for they were all terrified. <sup>7</sup> Then a cloud overshadowed them, and a voice from the cloud said, "This is my dearly loved Son. Listen to him." <sup>8</sup> Suddenly, when they looked around, Moses and Elijah were gone, and they saw only Jesus with them. <sup>9</sup> As they went back down the mountain, he told them not to tell anyone what they had seen until the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

### 2 Corinthians 3:12-18 (NLT)

<sup>12</sup> Since this new way gives us such confidence, we can be very bold. <sup>13</sup> We are not like Moses, who put a veil over his face so the people of Israel would not see the glory, even though it was destined to fade away. <sup>14</sup> But the people's minds were hardened, and to this day whenever the old covenant is being read, the same veil covers their minds so they cannot understand the truth. And this veil can be removed only by believing in Christ. <sup>15</sup> Yes, even today when they read Moses' writings, their hearts are covered with that veil, and they do not understand. <sup>16</sup> But whenever someone turns to the Lord, the veil is taken away. <sup>17</sup> For the Lord is the Spirit, and wherever the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. <sup>18</sup> So **all of us who have had that veil removed can see and reflect the glory of the Lord.** And the Lord—who is the **Spirit—makes us more and more like him** as we are changed into his glorious image.

**Card shower and notes of encouragement** – Lou Erb shared about a friend, Marjorie Sexton, who is going through chemotherapy right now. She lives on her own (she's a SWAP homeowner) and she has two more treatments to go. Lou invites us to send cards and notes of encouragement through the months of February and March to brighten her days. Lou said it would be helpful to mention in your cards/notes the SWAP connection with Pete and Lou so that Marjorie knows how we learned of her need. Address: Marjorie Sexton, PO Box 45, 401 Trace Caney Road, Pippapasses, KY 41844.

**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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**ACA Service Project** – For this year's service project at Annual Conference Assembly, they will be collecting items for Crime Victim Services in Lima, Ohio. Part of their mission is to help survivors of human trafficking. We will have a collection box/table here at OMC for the weeks leading up to ACA and our delegates will take the items along to Bluffton. Please consider donating any of the following items: blankets, winter scarves/gloves/hats, coats (all sizes), socks, toilet paper, cash donations (for the Human Trafficking donation fund). This fund is used for emergency housing costs, medical expenses, therapy, groceries, etc.

## **Orrville Mennonite Church Daily Devotions**

**Week ending with Sunday, February 18, 2018**

Day One Read Genesis 2.4-2.25

You should also read 1.1-2.3 for the whole picture. It's not stated outrightly, but is there a covenant here? If so what is it?

Day Two Read Genesis 9.8-17

What is the covenant God gives to Noah? Is it just for Noah and his family?

Day Three Read Psalm 25.1-10

How is the Lord good?

Day Four Read 1 Peter 3.18-22

What does Christ proclaim to the spirits in prison?

Day Five Read Mark 1.9-15

Was Jesus really tempted? Could he have sinned if he really wanted to?

**“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.*