



# Orrville Mennonite Church

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## Worship Order for August 20, 2023

### Welcome

**Gathering Songs**      *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*      WB 37\*  
   *Come, Let us All Unite to Sing*      WB 12\*

The lamp will be lit during the opening songs.

- As we light this lamp, we remember:
- Our sisters, brothers, friends, partners.
- Our laments.
- Our thanksgivings.
- The hope we have together in Christ.

### **Responsive Reading**      Romans 15.1-13

Leader: We who are powerful need to be patient with the weakness of those who don't have power, and not please ourselves.

**Cow Side: Each of us should please our neighbors for their good in order to build them up.**

*Lane Side: Christ didn't please himself, but, as it is written, The insults of those who insulted you fell on me.*

Leader: Whatever was written in the past was written for our instruction so that we could have hope through endurance and through the encouragement of the scriptures.

*Lane Side: May the God of endurance and encouragement give you the same attitude toward each other, similar to Christ Jesus' attitude.*

**Cow Side: That way you can glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ together with one voice.**

Leader: So welcome each other, in the same way that Christ also welcomed you, for God's glory. I'm saying that Christ became a servant of those who are circumcised for the sake of God's truth,

in order to confirm the promises given to the ancestors, 9 and so that the Gentiles could glorify God for his mercy. As it is written,

**Cow Side: Because of this I will confess you among the Gentiles, and I will sing praises to your name.**

Leader: And again, it says,

*Lane Side: Rejoice, Gentiles, with his people.*

Leader: And again,

**Cow Side: Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles, and all the people should sing his praises.**

Leader: And again, Isaiah says,

*Lane Side: There will be a root of Jesse, who will also rise to rule the Gentiles.*

**Cow Side: The Gentiles will place their hope in him.**

**All: May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in faith so that you overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.**

**Singing**                      Congregation Picks 4-5 songs to sing

### **Offering Prayer**

**Offering Song**                      *O Worship the Lord*                      WB 129\*

Come forward during the offertory and place gifts and offerings in vessels for regular offering and My Coins Count and the Dollar Project (School Kits)

**Scripture**                      Isaiah 56.1-8

- 1 The Lord says: Act justly and do what is righteous, because my salvation is coming soon, and my righteousness will be revealed.
- 2 Happy is the one who does this, the person who holds it fast, who keeps the Sabbath, not making it impure, and avoids doing any evil.
- 3 Don't let the immigrant who has joined with the Lord say, "The Lord will exclude me from the people." And don't let the eunuch say, "I'm just a dry tree."
- 4 The Lord says: To the eunuchs who keep my sabbaths, choose what I desire, and remain loyal to my covenant.

5 In my temple and courts, I will give them  
a monument and a name better than sons and daughters.  
I will give to them an enduring name that won't be removed.  
6 The immigrants who have joined me,  
serving me and loving my name, becoming my servants,  
everyone who keeps the Sabbath without making it impure,  
and those who hold fast to my covenant:  
7 I will bring them to my holy mountain,  
and bring them joy in my house of prayer. I will accept their  
entirely burned offerings and sacrifices on my altar.  
My house will be known as a house of prayer for all peoples,  
8 says the Lord God, who gathers Israel's outcasts.  
I will gather still others to those I have already gathered.

**Sermon**

*Sabbaths and outcasts*

**Love Step Prayer** (standing if able)

Lord, open my eyes to see when you introduce me to someone.  
Help me to meet them with love where they are and to be met in  
love where I am. Help us to walk together, learn from each other,  
and share your love with others. Help us to see that as we do  
these things together, we are growing closer to Christ.

**Song**

*I Want Jesus to Walk With Me*

WB 439

**Sharing (prayer requests), Caring, and Prayer  
Announcements**

**Unison Benediction**

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in faith  
so that you overflow with hope by the power of the Holy  
Spirit. Romans 15.13\*

Songs and Scriptures with an "\*" are favorites of Marilyn Kamp,  
whom we honor today. Her birthday is August 22.

## **Sermon Notes**

Isaiah 56.1-8

Isaiah 55.10-11

Micah 6.8

Isaiah 56.8

Matthew 21.12

House of Prayer Who Gathers the Outcasts

Greeter/Usher, LaVonne and Sherm Amstutz  
Song Leader, Hank and Marilyn Rossiter  
Reader, Sandy Sohar  
Sharing and Prayer, Bev Squirrell

## **Announcements**

**Monday Meals.** We served 151 meals last Monday. **This coming Monday**, we will have beef burritos.

But, that means **we need loads of extra help.**

- Sometime during the day on Monday, we need 2 people to put salsa into little containers.
- Then we need 5-6 extra people to help assemble and wrap burritos from 5-6pm.

**Ministry Spending Plan update.** God has a mission and we are all a part of it through Orrville Mennonite Church. We give tithes and offerings as an act of worship and in response to God's overflowing generosity to us. Our tithes and offerings support the programs of the church through general giving and our congregation's ministries such as the Compassion Fund, Monday Meals, and Dollar Projects.

The one area in particular where giving is falling (or "has fallen") behind our ongoing needs is the general offering (non-designated giving) that supports our church operational expenses.

Please remember that even when you are traveling or not able to be present for our worship times, these programs and ministries require continued support.

Please remember God's mission and your part of that during the summer months!

***Our Daily Bread*** devotionals for September – November are available by the church mailboxes.

## **Women's Topic Bible Study *Tapestry* by Cyneatha Millsaps**

The women's topic Bible study begins Wednesday, August 23 at 6.30pm. Weather permitting, we will gather on Allison's patio, otherwise in the church fellowship hall. If you need a copy of the study, please let me or Jan know. Looking forward to sharing with you all! Allison

### **Offering Report for Sunday, August 6, 2023**

Ministry Spending Plan: \$2,509.00

### **Offering Report for Sunday, August 13, 2023**

Ministry Spending Plan: \$4,623.00

Monday Meals: \$3.00

## **Schedule At a Glance for August 20 – 27, 2023**

Sunday, August 20

Outdoor Worship at the Zimmerly Jantzi Farm, **10:30 am**

Bill Seymour preaching

Carry-in Lunch following Worship

Monday, August 21

Monday Meal, 5:30 pm

Wednesday, August 23

Women's Bible Study, 6:30-8:30 pm

Sunday, August 27

Worship Service, **9:30 am**

Bill Seymour preaching

Commissioning of Pablo Delgado

Executive Director of Open Arms

Sunday School, **10:30 am**

## Coming Events:

**August 27** – Commissioning of new Open Arms Executive Director, Pablo Delgado during OMC worship

**September 3** – Affirmation of Ministry Team appointments for new church year, Sept 2023 – August 2024

**September 17** – Pizza Party lunch for all at noon after Worship and Sunday School (if we meet our goal of 50 MCC school kits)

**September 28** – Ohio Conference Fall Cluster Meeting for delegates at Wooster Mennonite Church

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