



# Orrville Mennonite Church

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## Order of Worship – September 8, 2024

### Welcome

**Gathering Songs**      *Spirit, Working in Creation*      SJ 10  
   *Help Us to Help Each Other*      WB 362

### Lamp Lighting (unison)

Lighting these lamps,

- We remember our sisters, brothers, friends, partners.
- We consider our laments.
- We offer our thanksgiving.
- We rejoice in the hope we have together in Christ.
- We pray for others to join us in our congregation so that we may grow together.

### Responsive Reading      1 John 4.7-16

Leader: Dear friends, let's love each other, because love is from God, and everyone who loves is born from God and knows God.

**Piano Side: The person who doesn't love does not know God, because God is love.**

*Coffee Side: This is how the love of God is revealed to us: God has sent his only Son into the world so that we can live through him.*

**All: This is love: it is not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son as the sacrifice that deals with our sins.**

Leader: Dear friends, if God loved us this way, we also ought to love each other. No one has ever seen God.

**Piano Side: If we love each other, God remains in us and his love is made perfect in us.**

*Coffee Side: This is how we know we remain in him and he remains in us, because he has given us a measure of his Spirit. →*

Leader: We have seen and testify that the Father has sent the Son to be the savior of the world.

**All: *If any of us confess that Jesus is God's Son, God remains in us and we remain in God. We have known and have believed the love that God has for us.***

Leader: God is love, and those who remain in love remain in God and God remains in them.

**Singing**    *The Church of Christ Cannot Be Bound* (screen)    VT 392

### **Affirmation of Volunteers for Church Calendar Year**

#### **Offering Prayer**

**Offering Song**    *For The Fruit of All Creation*    WB 90

Come forward during the song and place gifts and offerings in vessels for regular offering and My Coins Count.

**Scripture**    James 2.1-13

1 My brothers and sisters, when you show favoritism you deny the faithfulness of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has been resurrected in glory. 2 Imagine two people coming into your meeting. One has a gold ring and fine clothes, while the other is poor, dressed in filthy rags. 3 Then suppose that you were to take special notice of the one wearing fine clothes, saying, "Here's an excellent place. Sit here." But to the poor person you say, "Stand over there"; or, "Here, sit at my feet." 4 Wouldn't you have shown favoritism among yourselves and become evil-minded judges? 5 My dear brothers and sisters, listen! Hasn't God chosen those who are poor by worldly standards to be rich in terms of faith? Hasn't God chosen the poor as heirs of the kingdom he has promised to those who love him? 6 But you have dishonored the poor. Don't the wealthy make life difficult for you? Aren't they the ones who drag you into court? 7 Aren't they the ones who insult the good name spoken over you at your baptism? 8 You do well when you really fulfill the royal law found in scripture, Love your neighbor as yourself. 9 But when you show favoritism, you are committing a sin, and by that same law →



## Sermon Notes

### Announcements

**A contribution has been made to the I.W. Royer Scholarship Fund by OMC** in memory of Lois Yoder's son, Martin (Bud) Yoder who passed away on June 29, 2024. There will be a Tribute to Bud's Life at Roger Baker's Farm (6609 Ashland Road, Wooster, OH) on Sunday, September 22<sup>nd</sup> at 2:00 pm. The Tribute will be followed by a time of visitation and a meal provided by farmers and friends of the agricultural community.

### A Thank you and a New Address:

**Joyce and Larry Gerber** have been in their new home since Monday. Their note to us says: "Thank you for loving us, taking care of us, and please visit us."

Their address is: The Oaks at Shady Lawn  
15028 Old Lincolnway Dalton, OH 44618  
Room 203

**Monday Meals.** We will be having a leftover night tomorrow, with a variety of casseroles and other foods.

**Carry-In today following Sunday School today, September 8<sup>th</sup>.** All are welcome to stay for the meal!

**New Church Year (2024-2025)** Today, September 8<sup>th</sup> there will be a time during the worship service when the congregation can affirm the list of appointments for the new church year 2024-2025. The printed list is in your church mailbox and was also sent out via MailChimp to those who use email.

**Lunch Fundraiser at Salem Community Church** (7012 Back Orrville Road, Wooster, OH) on **Sunday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>**. Proceeds will benefit a family in need. You are invited to come and support this need.

**Community Cooking Classes Have Started.** We had 2 participants and 3 Monday Meal staff folks on Thursday. Through **Monday Meals**, we are teaming up with the Ohio State Extension Office to offer some simple cooking and food health classes on Thursdays from September 5 through October 10 – 10:00 am in our Fellowship Hall. The first three weeks will be led by the Extension Office. September 26 and October 3 and 10 will be led by us. We will offer the participants one on one mentoring to make a few simple dishes using simple, healthy, and inexpensive ingredients and cooking methods. Bill will lead the overall effort on those three days, but we need volunteers to be the mentors/partners to work one on one with participants. If you, or anyone you know is interested, please see Bill. It is possible that the one-and-one mentoring can be done at other times, if you are interested and cannot do it in the daytime.

**Canning For Relief for 2024** will happen in the Gerber Building in Kidron Monday October 14 through Friday October 18. Because we will be limited to 10-hour workdays daily start times may vary. With the potential to do up to 32,000 pounds your help and support is needed. Call/Text Trent Metcalf at 330-465-4191 and schedule a time to come.

**Annual Congregational Fall Meeting.** Due to the increasing numbers of us who avoid driving at night, we are moving our Fall Congregational Meeting to Sunday, November 10. This is our

normal Carry-In Day. We'll have lunch together and then have our meeting. November 10, 2024 at about 12:15pm

### **Offering Report for September 1, 2024**

Ministry Spending Plan: \$2,730.65

Weekly Amount Needed for MSP: \$3,555.00

Monday Meals: \$245.00

Miscellaneous: \$100.00

### **Looking Ahead**

September 29	Fifth Sunday Mission Offering Anabaptist Community Bible Sunday
October 6	World Communion Sunday
October 13	Social Justice Sunday Speaker: Sherah-Leigh Gerber Moment in Mission – Open Arms October Dollar Project Pablo Delgado & Seneca Bowers
October 14-18	MCC Meat Canning at Gerber Bldg, Kidron
November 10	Mission Sunday Fall Congregational Meeting

### **Schedule-At-A-Glance for September 8 – 15, 2024**

Sunday, September 8

Gathering and Coffee Time, **9:00 am**

Worship, **9:30 am**

Bill Seymour preaching

Affirmation of Volunteers for Church Calendar Year

Sunday School, **10:45 am**

Carry-In Lunch following Sunday School, **12 noon**

Monday, September 9

Monday Meal, 5:30 pm

Thursday, September 12

Cooking Class, 10 am at OMC

Sunday, September 15

Gathering and Coffee Time, **9:00 am**

Worship Service, **9:30 am**

Bill Seymour preaching

Sunday School, **10:45 am**

## September birthdays and anniversaries

5	Josiah Bixler	26	Roland Kauffman
9	Amos Bixler	29	Bret/Amber Andreasen
16	Alexander Seymour	30	Megan Sohar
19	John/Barb Shilling		

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