



# Orrville Mennonite Church

1305 W. Market St. Orrville Ohio 44667

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## Order of Worship September 15, 2024

### Welcome

**Gathering Songs**      *God is Here Among Us*      WB 16  
                                 *All Creatures of Our God and King*      WB 48

### Lamp Lighting

Leader: 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**      screen  
                                 Voices Together #894

### Love Step Prayer

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.

**Singing**      *If the War Goes On*      SJ 66  
                                 *With My Voice Alone*      screen  
                                 Voices Together # 800

## Offering Prayer

### Offering Song

*Let There Be Light*

SJ 67

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

### Scripture

James 3.1-12

3 My brothers and sisters, not many of you should become teachers, because we know that we teachers will be judged more strictly. 2 We all make mistakes often, but those who don't make mistakes with their words have reached full maturity. Like a bridled horse, they can control themselves entirely. 3 When we bridle horses and put bits in their mouths to lead them wherever we want, we can control their whole bodies.

4 Consider ships: They are so large that strong winds are needed to drive them. But pilots direct their ships wherever they want with a little rudder. 5 In the same way, even though the tongue is a small part of the body, it boasts wildly.

Think about this: A small flame can set a whole forest on fire. 6 The tongue is a small flame of fire, a world of evil at work in us. It contaminates our entire lives. Because of it, the circle of life is set on fire. The tongue itself is set on fire by the flames of hell.

7 People can tame and already have tamed every kind of animal, bird, reptile, and fish. 8 No one can tame the tongue, though. It is a restless evil, full of deadly poison. 9 With it we both bless the Lord and Father and curse human beings made in God's likeness. 10 Blessing and cursing come from the same mouth. My brothers and sisters, it just shouldn't be this way!

11 Both fresh water and salt water don't come from the same spring, do they? 12 My brothers and sisters, can a fig tree produce olives? Can a grapevine produce figs? Of course not, and fresh water doesn't flow from a saltwater spring either.



## **Announcements**

**We express sincere sympathies to** the Phyllis Hostetler Family and Judy Ferguson in the passing of Wendell Hostetler on September 4, 2024. A contribution has been made to the I.W. Royer Scholarship Fund in Wendell's memory.

### **New Address for Larry and Joyce Gerber:**

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

**Monday Meals.** We served 137 meals from lots of different leftovers on Monday. This Monday, we're serving something tasty that hasn't yet been decided as of press time. We are grateful for a surprise gift this week: Justin and Beth Haislip (State Farm here in Orrville) bought Monday Meals a pig at the fair and are also paying for the processing!

**Sign up lists for greeter(s) and nursery care volunteers** are available in the coffee gathering area this morning. The lists will also be passed around in Sunday School classes following the worship service.

**Men's Breakfast is this Wednesday, September 18<sup>th</sup>, 7:30 am** in the fellowship hall. All are welcome!!

**Koinonia Women's Lunch is this Thursday, September 19<sup>th</sup>, at 12 noon** at Louise Bowers' home.

**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 1 participant and 3 Monday Meal staff folks for the second class 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

## 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
October 25	Game Night at OMC
November 10	Mission Sunday Fall Congregational Meeting

## **Offering Report for September 8, 2024**

Ministry Spending Plan: \$667.00

Weekly Amount Needed for MSP: \$3,555.00

Compassion Fund: \$100.00

Monday Meals: \$1,100.00

Austin Zuercher: \$100.00

Miscellaneous: \$50.00

## **Schedule-At-A-Glance for September 15 – 22, 2024**

Sunday, September 15

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

Worship, **9:30 am**

Bill Seymour preaching

Sunday School, **10:45 am**

Monday, September 16

Monday Meal, 5:30 pm

Wednesday, September 18

Men's Breakfast at OMC, 7:30 am

Thursday, September 19

Cooking Class, 10 am at OMC

Koinonia Ladies' Lunch, 12 noon at Louise Bowers' home

Sunday, September 22

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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