

Orrville Mennonite Church

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Order of Worship November 17, 2024

Welcome

Gathering Songs Come, Come Ye Saints WB 425
The Lord is Kina WB 69

Lamp Lighting

We are not alone. You, Lord knit us together with Jesus followers everywhere, here and abroad. As we gather, we are mindful of the problems and challenges of this world. We are also mindful and grateful for your presence and love. Our hope is in you alone, God. Thank you for our Orrville Mennonite community. We pray that you would send others to be a part of us and we a part of them. Grow us, Lord.

Love Step Prayer (unison)

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	God of Grace and God of Glory	WB 366
	You are Salt for the Earth	WB 226

Responsive Reading Ephesians 4.1-2a, Galatians 5.13-15,

Ephesians 4.2b-6

Leader: Therefore, as a prisoner for the Lord, I encourage you to

live as people worthy of the call you received from God.

Piano Side: Conduct yourselves with all humility, gentleness, and patience. →

Leader: [We are] called to freedom, brothers and sisters; only don't let this freedom be an opportunity to indulge your selfish impulses, but serve each other through love.

All: All the Law has been fulfilled in a single statement: Love your neighbor as yourself. But if [we] bite and devour each other, [we must] be careful that [we] don't get eaten up by each other!

Offering Side: Accept each other with love and make an effort to preserve the unity of the Spirit with the peace that ties you together.

All: [We] are one body and one spirit, just as God also called [us] in one hope. There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism, and one God and Father of all, who is over all, through all, and in all.

Offering Prayer

Offering Song Let There Be Light, Lord God

SJ 67

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

Scripture Matthew 25.31-46

31 "Now when the Human One comes in his majesty and all his angels are with him, he will sit on his majestic throne. 32 All the nations will be gathered in front of him. He will separate them from each other, just as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. 33 He will put the sheep on his right side. But the goats he will put on his left.

34 "Then the king will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who will receive good things from my Father. Inherit the kingdom that was prepared for you before the world began. 35 I was hungry and you gave me food to eat. I was thirsty and you gave me a drink. I was a stranger and you welcomed me. 36 I was naked and you gave me clothes to wear. I was sick and you took care of me. I was in prison and you visited me.'

37 "Then those who are righteous will reply to him, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you a drink? 38 When did we see you as a stranger and welcome →

you, or naked and give you clothes to wear? 39 When did we see you sick or in prison and visit you?'

40 "Then the king will reply to them, 'I assure you that when you have done it for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you have done it for me.'

41 "Then he will say to those on his left, 'Get away from me, you who will receive terrible things. Go into the unending fire that has been prepared for the devil and his angels. 42 I was hungry and you didn't give me food to eat. I was thirsty and you didn't give me anything to drink. 43 I was a stranger and you didn't welcome me. I was naked and you didn't give me clothes to wear. I was sick and in prison, and you didn't visit me.'

44 "Then they will reply, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison and didn't do anything to help you?' 45 Then he will answer, 'I assure you that when you haven't done it for one of the least of these, you haven't done it for me.' 46 And they will go away into eternal punishment. But the righteous ones will go into eternal life."

Message Let's Talk about the Election

Songs of Response The Kingdom of God (screen) VT 799
With My Voice Alone (screen) VT 800

Benediction

Sermon Response Prayer Requests Announcements

Greeters, Stan & Marilyn Kamp, Virg & Kathy Troyer Usher, Jo Bixler
PA Operator, Dan Jantzi
Song Leader, Hank Rossiter
Accompanist, Marilyn Rossiter
Reader, Sandy Miller
Sharing and Prayer, Lou Erb
Worship Nursery, Judy King
Sunday School Nursery, Kathy Troyer
Trustee (November), Mark Bixler

Sermon Notes

Announcements

Monday Meals. We served 160 meals on November 11. This Monday, November 18, we'll be serving pork with mashed potatoes and gravy, a vegetable and panic cake. This will be our last meal until January.

Please Note! Our Annual Fall Congregational Meeting is TODAY, November 17th. We will share a carry-in meal together prior to the meeting.

Combined Christmas Song Worship Night

MennoTable, with Elvis Otieno.

Friday, December 6, 2024 at Trinity UCC in Akron (where our Akron Swahili Church meets). 6:45 – 8:45 pm. English, Spanish, and Swahili speakers may come and worship through song. Each congregation is invited to bring a song or two to share or lead, and we will have group singing as well.

Christmas is Coming, and we need your help for TWO things --- Shoes and Stories

Nancy and Sharon have enough shoes for Advent visuals! **Thanks for your help!** The first Sunday of Advent is December 1st.

Stories

As part of the Advent theme of walking together, we'd like to hear a short story/testimony/memory from one or two people each Sunday. Stories on these topics:

- A time when you remember feeling particularly close with God.
- A time when you remember responding to God's Spirit, feeling the Spirit leading you along the way.
- A time when you walked with marginalized people.
- A time when you were the one being walked with.
- A time when someone helped you to see God.
- A story of a spiritual mentor you have had.

Please let Bill or Jan know if you are interested.

The Mission & Service Committee invites your input on future Dollar projects and community involvement. See something "out there" you'd like to see OMC support or work with? Give us your ideas! See the bulletin board at the basement mailboxes or the Mission & Service bulletin board or contact Hank Rossiter. Thanks!

The November Dollar Project is to support our local Salvation Army. Our church has committed to provide 100 or more cans of soup or canned fruit to be used to make up the Christmas food boxes given out in the community and financial gifts will help in

the purchase of additional food and Christmas gifts for their Angel Tree project. Projections are that over 175 families will be served with food boxes this Christmas season. You can also choose to donate your time to the Salvation Army by being a bell ringer for an hour (December 9th, 2-5pm or December 12th, 12-5pm – sign up at back of sanctuary) or by helping to pack the Christmas food boxes (December 15th, 2-4 pm.) Thank you for sharing your resources and your time.

Widows' Fellowship Group – here at Orrville Mennonite -- Nov. 20, 2024, from 1-2:30 p.m. This will be an informal time of fellowship and getting acquainted and simply a time to connect with other widows. Tea and dessert will be served! If you are interested or have any questions, feel free to call Louisa Erb at 330-317-0726 or Judy King at 330-201-2069. We look forward to seeing you there!

Schedule-At-A-Glance for November 17 – 24, 2024

Sunday, November 17
Gathering and Coffee Time, 9:00 am
Worship, 9:30 am
Bill Seymour preaching
Sunday School, 10:45 am
Carry-In Meal, 12 noon

Fall Congregational Meeting, following lunch

Monday, November 18 Monday Meal, 5:30 pm

Wednesday, November 20
Men's Breakfast, **8:00 am** in fellowship hall
Widows' Fellowship Group, 1 – 2:30 pm in fellowship hall

Thursday, November 21
Koinonia Ladies Lunch, 12 noon at Jane Beyeler's

Next Sunday, November 24
Gathering and Coffee Time, **9:00 am**

Worship, 9:30 am

Pastor Bill Seymour preaching

Sunday School, 10:45 am

Wild Church at Jantzi's, 4:00 pm

Looking Ahead

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December 1 First Sunday of Advent

December 6 Combined Christmas Worship 6:45 pm

In Akron, where Akron Swahili meets

December 21 6:00-8:00 pm – 60th birthday party open

house for Allison (location TBA)

December 24 Christmas Eve Service, 6:00 pm

Christmas Open House at the Seymour's

7:30 pm

Offering Report for November 10, 2024

Ministry Spending Plan: \$2,597.33

Jared Shilling

Weekly Amount Needed for MSP: \$3,555.00

Dollar Project (Salvation Army): \$126.00 Anabaptist Community Bible: \$179.96

November birthdays and anniversaries

3	Mark Bixler	19	Tim Short
9	Virgil Troyer	24	Norm/Sandy Sohar

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Hank Rossiter

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