



Orrville Mennonite Church

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Order of Worship November 24, 2024

Welcome

Gathering Songs

Blessed Savior, We Adore Thee

WB 107

Hail to the Lord's Anointed

WB 185

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.

Song

All hail the Power of Jesus' Name

WB 285

Responsive Reading

Revelation 1.4b-5, Psalm 93, Rev. 1.6-8

Leader: Grace and peace to you from the one who is and was and is coming, and from the seven spirits that are before God's throne, and from Jesus Christ—the faithful witness, the firstborn from among the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

All: The Lord rules!

Offering side: [The Lord] is robed in majesty— the Lord is robed, clothed with strength. →

Piano Side: Yes, he set the world firmly in place; it won't be shaken.

All: *Your throne is set firm for a very long time. You are eternal!*

Offering Side: Lord, the floods have raised up— the floods have raised up their voices; the floods raise up a roar!

Piano Side: But mightier than the sound of much water, mightier than the sea's waves, mighty on high is the Lord!

All: *Your laws are so faithful. Holiness decorates your house, Lord, for all time.*

Leader: To the one who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood,

All: *Who made us a kingdom, priests to his God and Father—to him be glory and power forever and always. Amen.*

Leader: Look, he is coming with the clouds! Every eye will see him, including those who pierced him, and all the tribes of the earth will mourn because of him. This is so. Amen.

All: *"I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, "the one who is and was and is coming, the Almighty."*

Singing *Rejoice, the Lord is King* WB 288

Offering Prayer

Offering Song *I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord* WB 308

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

Scripture John 18.33-38a

³³ Pilate went back into the palace. He summoned Jesus and asked, "Are you the king of the Jews?"

³⁴ Jesus answered, "Do you say this on your own or have others spoken to you about me?"

³⁵ Pilate responded, "I'm not a Jew, am I? Your nation and its chief priests handed you over to me. What have you done?"

³⁶ Jesus replied, "My kingdom doesn't originate from this world. If it did, my guards would fight so that I wouldn't have been arrested by the Jewish leaders. My kingdom isn't from here."

³⁷ "So you are a king?" Pilate said. →

Jesus answered, “You say that I am a king. I was born and came into the world for this reason: to testify to the truth. Whoever accepts the truth listens to my voice.”

³⁸ “What is truth?” Pilate asked.

Message *What is truth?*

Hymn of Response *Come, Come, Ye Saints*

WB 425

Benediction

Sermon Response

Prayer Requests

Announcements

Greeters, Liz Snyder

Usher, Judy King

PA Operator, Dan Jantzi

Song Leader, Jeanne Zimmerly Jantzi

Accompanist, Marilyn Rossiter

Reader, Mark Bixler

Sharing and Prayer, Bev Squirrell

Preschool Nursery, Sky Lofty

Trustee (November), Ken Wenger

Sermon Notes

Announcements

Fall Congregational Business Meeting. Since we didn't get to conclude our meeting last Sunday afternoon (Nov 17), we will finalize the meeting **today following the worship service.**

Nursery Note. There are no volunteers assigned for the Worship nursery this morning. Please feel welcome to stay with your children in the nursery or in the play area at the back of the sanctuary anytime during the service.

Monday Meals. We served 200 meals last Monday, the 18th. Our next meal will be Monday, January 6, 2025.

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.

The 36th year of “Search for the Christ Child”, will be held at Oak Grove Mennonite Church, 7843 Smucker Rd., Smithville, OH, Sunday, December 8, 2024 from 5:00-7:00 p.m. This is an indoor-outdoor walk-through experience of what the first Christmas may have been like. Dress Warmly! Handicap Accessible. Admission is one article of canned food or toiletries for “People to People Ministries” Everyone is welcome!

Christmas is Coming, the first Sunday in Advent is December 1st.

Thank you for bringing shoes!

Our Advent worship theme this year will be focused on the idea of journey, particularly walking. For December 1, we would like one or two people to share a one- or two-minute story of a time when they felt particularly close with God – a time when you felt you were walking well with God.

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 (check with Marilyn Kamp for open spots) or by helping to pack the Christmas food boxes (December 15th, 2-4 pm) at the Radiant Life Church, 2061 Wadsworth Road, Orrville (check with Kathy Troyer for details). Thank you for sharing your resources and your time.

Schedule-At-A-Glance for November 24 – Dec 1, 2024

Sunday, November 24

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

Worship, **9:30 am**

Bill Seymour preaching

Conclusion of Fall Congregational Meeting

Sunday School, **10:45 am**

Wild Church at Dan and Jeanne Jantzi's, **4 pm**

Next Sunday, December 1 **First Sunday of Advent**

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Worship, **9:30 am**

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Looking Ahead

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 – 60 th 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 24, 2024

Ministry Spending Plan: \$2,732.00
Weekly Amount Needed for MSP: \$3,555.00
Open Arms: \$200.00
Dollar Project (Salvation Army): \$571.00
Austin Zuerchers: \$100.00
Anabaptist Community Bible: \$89.98

December birthdays and anniversaries

1	Bret Andreasen	20	Mel/Mim Wenger
4	Bobby Haas	24	Ken Wenger
17	Allison Seymour	30	Nathan Kalapodis

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