



Orrville Mennonite Church

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## Order of Worship

June 22, 2025

### Welcome

<b>Gathering Songs</b>	<i>As Rain from the Clouds</i>	SJ 40
	<i>Jesus Christ is Waiting</i>	SJ 30

### Call to Worship and Lamp Lighting

Leader: We come to worship this morning with all of who we are.

*Offering Side: Our troubles and laments (one lamp is lit).*

**Piano Side: Our victories and joys (one lamp is lit).**

Leader: We come to worship this morning as part of a community of Jesus followers here and all over the world (*one lamp is lit*).

*Offering Side: As we gather, we wonder who else could bless us and be blessed by becoming a part of us.*

**Piano Side: We trust you, Lord, for growing our community (one lamp is lit).**

***All: Lord, because you are our hope we come to worship together. You are our light, so we learn together. You are our example, so we serve together. You are our strength, so we stand together (final lamp is lit).***

<b>Singing</b>	<i>Morning Has Broken</i>	WB 648
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### Responsive Reading Isaiah 65:1-9

Leader: I was ready to be sought out by those who did not ask,  
to be found by those who did not seek me.

I said, "Here I am, here I am,"

to a nation that did not call on my name.

***All: I held out my hands all day long  
to a rebellious people,***

***who walk in a way that is not good,  
following their own devices;***

Leader: a people who provoke me  
to my face continually,  
sacrificing in gardens  
and offering incense on bricks;

**Piano Side: who sit inside tombs  
and spend the night in secret places;  
who eat the flesh of pigs,  
with broth of abominable things in their vessels;**

*Offering Side: who say, "Keep to yourself;  
do not come near me, for I am too holy for you."  
These are a smoke in my nostrils,  
a fire that burns all day long.*

**All: See, it is written before me:  
I will not keep silent, but I will repay;  
I will indeed repay into their laps  
their iniquities and their ancestors' iniquities together,  
says the Lord; because they offered incense on the mountains  
and reviled me on the hills, I will measure into their laps  
full payment for their actions.**

Leader: Thus says the Lord:  
As the wine is found in the cluster,  
and they say, "Do not destroy it,  
for there is a blessing in it,"  
so I will do for my servants' sake  
and not destroy them all.

**All: I will bring forth descendants from Jacob  
and from Judah inheritors of my mountains;  
my chosen shall inherit it,  
and my servants shall settle there.**

### **Offering and Love Step Prayer**

Leader: We offer the Lord gifts -- financial support, time, effort, attitude, and relationship.

**All: 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.***

Leader: This is but one offering we give.

***All: Help us to see how you are working in our relationships and how you are leading us to be closer to Christ.***

Leader: Bless all these gifts, including this financial offering we give you now. Amen.

**Offering Song  
Offering**

*God Whose Giving*

WB 383

**Scripture** Luke 8:26-39

<sup>26</sup> Then they arrived at the region of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. <sup>27</sup> As he stepped out on shore, a man from the city who had demons met him. For a long time he had not worn any clothes, and he did not live in a house but in the tombs. <sup>28</sup> When he saw Jesus, he cried out and fell down before him, shouting, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me," <sup>29</sup> for Jesus had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many times it had seized him; he was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the wilds.) <sup>30</sup> Jesus then asked him, "What is your name?" He said, "Legion," for many demons had entered him. <sup>31</sup> They begged him not to order them to go back into the abyss.

<sup>32</sup> Now there on the hillside a large herd of swine was feeding, and the demons begged Jesus to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. <sup>33</sup> Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd stampeded down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned.

<sup>34</sup> When the swineherds saw what had happened, they ran off and told it in the city and in the country. <sup>35</sup> Then people came out to see what had happened, and when they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they became frightened. <sup>36</sup> Those who had seen it told them how the one who



children will "graduate" to this area after their nursery Sunday School hour. If you have been a nursery volunteer in the past, please consider continuing your relationship with the littles at this table.

## **Announcements**

**We welcome Shawn Hilliard** as our guest speaker this morning!

**Please join Jeanne and Dan this afternoon** to celebrate and to bless the future forest! Come any time and bring food for a potluck picnic and your chairs. Wild Church will begin at 4:00 with prayers for the trees and the returning insects, birds, reptiles, and mammals. Wild Church will include time to wander and wonder in the woods and future forest on your own to listen to God in silence. We'll plan to share our potluck at the campfire at 6:00 and have time before and after to play in the creek, enjoy the beauty of being outside with friends, or talk about land, people, and forests. Our address is 6426 Chippewa Rd, Orrville.

**Goodbye Party for Elvis** – June 29, from 3:30-5:30 pm up in Akron at Trinity UCC, where the Akron Swahili Mennonite Church worships (915 North Main Street, Akron). Parking lot is behind the building on Oakland Avenue. This will be an open house, but I wouldn't count out some singing along the way. We know this is a drive for those of us in Wayne County, but it's worth the trip and it's good for us to do the driving and not always expect our Akron friends to drive. We look forward to seeing you and being together.

**Next Sunday, June 29<sup>th</sup> is a Fifth Sunday Mission Offering opportunity.**

**Bill will be away** through July 17, on vacation, then MCUSA Convention, and then a few more days of vacation at home.

## **New Elder(s)**

Our constitution calls for a minimum of three elders to serve with the pastor. We are finding that it would be very beneficial to have

more than three. We aren't sure if we need one or two more, but we are asking the congregation to pray and consider whom you'd like to see as an elder. We'll have nomination forms available in a couple of weeks. To keep a good rotation, the new person(s) would be filling a term(s) that will end in August 2026, eligible for renewal into a normal 4-year term. So, if you feel like you are being nudged, there is only a 15-month initial commitment. Currently, Dan Jantzi's term is completed in August 2026 and Bev Squirrel and Lou Erb's terms are completed in August 2028.

**Monday Meals Update** – Mondays Meals is still on a hiatus until July 14. Oak Grove will serve on July 14, and our regular crew will be back for July 21. **Great News!** We have received \$14,000 in donations and, more importantly, praise the Lord! We have a Development Officer. John Zimmerly, from Crown Hill Mennonite, has accepted the volunteer role and will ensure we have funding from here on out.

### **Schedule-At-A-Glance for June 22 – 29, 2025**

Sunday, June 22

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

Sunday School, **9:30 am**

Worship, **10:30 am**

Shawn Hilliard preaching

Wild Church at Dan and Jeanne's, 4:00 pm

followed by a potluck at the campfire, 6:00 pm

Wednesday, June 25

Open Arms Kids' Camp, 9:00 am to 2 pm

Sunday, June 29

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

Sunday School, **9:30 am**

Worship, **10:30 am**

MDS Youth Trip Sharing

Goodbye Party for Elvis Otieno in Akron, **3:30-5:30 pm**

(see announcement)

**Offering Report for June 15, 2025**

Ministry Spending Plan: \$4,728.00

Weekly Amount Needed for MSP: \$3,367.00

Compassion Fund: \$200.00

MDS Youth Trip: \$300.00

Austin Zuercher: \$150.00

**June birthdays and anniversaries**

8	Tim Trapp	18	Willie/Sandy Miller
11	Emmett Andreasen	20	Mark/Jen Bixler
14	Maggie Hartzler	21	Ken/Rita Wenger
15	Bernita Wade	24	John/Kathy Schmid
16	Judy Ferguson		

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