



Orrville Mennonite Church
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Order of Worship
October 5, 2025

Welcome

Gathering Songs	<i>Holy, Holy, Holy!</i>	WB 120
	<i>God Loves All His Many People</i>	WB 397

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*).

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

Offering 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).

Singing	<i>Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise</i>	WB 70
	<i>How Can We Be Silent</i>	SJ 61

Responsive Reading WB 755

Leader: Speak to all the world of the Child by whose word the universe is held together!

People: We can hardly speak for ourselves; how can we speak in the name of the Son of God?

Leader: "Whom shall I send?" God asks us. "Who will go?" If those whom God has shown love have no words, who call tell the world that God's reign is among us?

People: Send us the Advocate, the Holy Spirit to teach us, to remind us of everything Jesus proclaimed.

Leader: Show us how to bring you presence to others –

People: when to keep silence, when to act in secret, when to openly name the Name.

Leader: Free our hearts, our hands, our voices to confess Christ, to give people the reason for the hope that is in us.

ALL: Glory be to you, Lord Jesus Christ. You took the form of a servant. You preached peace. You healed the oppressed. You died for us. We will tell the world that you are the author of our salvation. Here we are; send us!

Offering Prayer

Offering Song

Grant Us, Lord, the Grace

WB 388

Offering

Scripture John 12: 23-36

²³ Jesus replied, “The time has come for the Human One to be glorified. ²⁴ I assure you that unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it can only be a single seed. But if it dies, it bears much fruit. ²⁵ Those who love their lives will lose them, and those who hate their lives in this world will keep them forever.

²⁶ Whoever serves me must follow me. Wherever I am, there my servant will also be. My Father will honor whoever serves me.

²⁷ “Now *I am deeply troubled*. What should I say? ‘Father, save me from this time’? No, for this is the reason I have come to this time.

²⁸ Father, glorify your name!”

Then a voice came from heaven, “I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.”

²⁹ The crowd standing there heard and said, “It’s thunder.” Others said, “An angel spoke to him.”

³⁰ Jesus replied, “This voice wasn’t for my benefit but for yours. ³¹ Now is the time for judgment of this world. Now this world’s ruler will be thrown out. ³² When I am lifted up from the earth, I will draw everyone to me.” (³³ He said this to show how he was going to die.)

³⁴ The crowd responded, “We have heard from the Law that the Christ remains forever. How can you say that the Human One must be lifted up? Who is this Human One?”

³⁵ Jesus replied, “The light is with you for only a little while. Walk while you have the light so that darkness doesn’t overtake you. Those who walk in the darkness don’t know where they are going. ³⁶ As long as you have the light, believe in the light so that you might become people whose lives are determined by the light.” After Jesus said these things, he went away and hid from them.

Sermon *Don’t Feed the Beast* Jeanne Zimmerly Jantzi

Song of Response *My Soul Cries Out* (screen) VT 412

Love Step Prayer and Benediction

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: Send us, Lord, in your love and in your joy.

All: Help us to see that as we walk with people and share your love together that we are growing closer to Christ.

Leader: Go. Be Jesus’ Love. Be Jesus’ Peace.

All: Amen.

Sermon Response

Prayer Requests, Prayer Announcements

Greeters, Jan and Rollie Kauffman

Usher, Sherm Amstutz

PA Operator, Norm Sohar

Accompanist, Marilyn Rossiter

Song Leader, Hank Rossiter

Preschool/Nursery, Sky Lofty

Quiet Table, all ages welcome

Reader, Sandy Miller

Sharing & Prayer, Jeanne Zimmerly Jantzi

The "Quiet Table" is available in the coffee area during the worship services at Orrville Mennonite. People of all ages are welcome to come to do quiet hands-on activities as a way of listening and focusing during the worship time. This area works best if there are equal numbers of adults and children sitting together. If you are someone who enjoys listening while creating, maybe this area will be your new regular pew! Our youngest 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 express sincere sympathies to Pastor Bill and Allison Seymour in the passing of Bill's mother, Sandra on Monday, September 29th. A contribution will be made to the I.W. Royer Fund.

Today we are having a carry-in fellowship meal following worship. All are welcome to stay and enjoy fellowship and food!

Monday Meals served 175 meals this week. This Monday, we will serve cheeseburger soup.

All are invited to an Open House in celebration of Stan and Marilyn Kamp's 60th wedding anniversary on Sunday, October 12th from 1 – 3 pm at Blackberry Community Center.

New Jesus Community Series Schedule

Part Five in the Jesus Community series is moved to next week, October 12, and the last installment will be October 19. Sunday School classes are being asked to have one further conversation about the material in the series on October 26.

This afternoon, the Wayne County Churches in our 7 Church Group are encouraging our members to go to Akron and join in worship with Akron Swahili Mennonite Church. It is World Communion Sunday, and we do not have a planned combined service with the 7 churches but are hoping a good group from

Wayne County will go to Akron to join in their worship. They start officially at 12:30 pm, more fully at 1:00 pm, and go until 2:30 or 3:00. Their culture is such that coming into worship late is not an offense at all, and they know we can't get there on time.

Free Concert – Thursday, October 9, 6:30 pm at Sonnenberg Mennonite Church. Led by Seth Crissman and Greg Yoder (founders of The Soil and The Seed Project), the concert will be interactive and will feature some local musicians and students from Central Christian School. This **FREE** event is open to the public. Come listen, sing along, learn more about this exciting new initiative and get beautiful, free resources!

Schedule-At-A-Glance for October 5 – 12, 2025

Sunday, October 5

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

Sunday School, **9:30 am**

Worship, **10:30 am**

Bill Seymour preaching

OMC Carry-In Fellowship Meal, following Worship service

Worship in Akron with Akron Swahili Mennonite, **1:00 pm**
(or whenever we can get there)

Monday, October 6

Monday Meals, 5:30 pm

Wednesday, October 8

Widows' Group Get-Together at OMC, 1 – 2:30 pm

Sunday, October 12

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

Sunday School, **9:30 am**

Worship, **10:30 am**

Bill Seymour preaching

Offering Report for September 28, 2025

Ministry Spending Plan: \$9,213.00

Weekly Amount Needed for MSP: \$3,367.00

Dollar Project – Meat Canning: \$250.00

October Birthdays and Anniversaries

2	Mim Wenger	16	Arthur Andreasen
4	Christopher Kalapodis		Stan/Marilyn Kamp
5	Sherm/LaVonnie Amstutz	29	Dan Jantzi Daryl Steiner
13	Barb Shilling	31	Diane Hostetler
15	Missy Short		

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