



# Orrville Mennonite Church

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## Order of Worship

May 17, 2026

### Welcome

**Gathering Songs**      *Here in This Place*      VT 10  
*Brethren, We Have Met to Worship*      VT 25

### Call to Worship and Lamp Lighting

Leader: As we gather for worship, we light some lamps to remind us that we gather in context.

**Piano Side: We have personal troubles and laments.**

*Offering Side: We also hold troubles and laments from the action of others and of our systems.*

**Piano Side: We have victories and joys.**

*Offering Side: We have brothers and sisters locally and around the world.*

**Piano Side: We have longings for our Orrville Mennonite Community to grow, spiritually and physically.**

**All: Lord, you are our hope, our light, our example, our strength. We trust you, Lord, for growing our community.**

**Singing**      *Move in Our Midst*      VT 827  
*O Praise the Gracious Power*      VT 87

**Responsive Reading**      John 17.1-11

Leader: ...Jesus ... looked up to heaven and said, "Father, the time has come. Glorify your Son, so that the Son can glorify you. You gave him authority over everyone so that he could give eternal life to everyone you gave him.

**All: This is eternal life: to know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you sent. →**

Leader: I have glorified you on earth by finishing the work you gave me to do. Now, Father, glorify me in your presence with the glory I shared with you before the world was created.

**Piano Side:** *“I have revealed your name to the people you gave me from this world. They were yours and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word.*

*Offering Side:* *Now they know that everything you have given me comes from you.*

**Piano Side:** *This is because I gave them the words that you gave me, and they received them.*

*Offering Side:* *They truly understood that I came from you, and they believed that you sent me.*

Leader: “I’m praying for them. I’m not praying for the world but for those you gave me, because they are yours. Everything that is mine is yours and everything that is yours is mine; I have been glorified in them.

**All:** *I’m no longer in the world, but they are in the world, even as I’m coming to you. Holy Father, watch over them in your name, the name you gave me, that they will be one just as we are one.*

**Moment in Mission**

*MCC Hygiene Kits*

Kathy Troyer

### **Offering Prayer/Birthday Blessing**

We celebrate LaVonne Amstutz’ birthday today.

LaVonne’s birthday is today.

**Offering Song**

*In the Bulb There Is a Flower*

VT 670

**Offering**

### **Scripture Reading Acts 1.1-14**

<sup>1</sup>Theophilus, the first scroll I wrote concerned everything Jesus did and taught from the beginning, <sup>2</sup>right up to the day when he was taken up into heaven. Before he was taken up, working in the power of the Holy Spirit, Jesus instructed the apostles he had chosen. <sup>3</sup>After his suffering, he showed them that he was alive with many convincing proofs. He appeared to them over a period of forty days, speaking to them about God’s kingdom. →

<sup>4</sup> While they were eating together, he ordered them not to leave Jerusalem but to wait for what the Father had promised. He said, “This is what you heard from me: <sup>5</sup> John baptized with water, but in only a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.”

<sup>6</sup> As a result, those who had gathered together asked Jesus, “Lord, are you going to restore the kingdom to Israel now?”

<sup>7</sup> Jesus replied, “It isn’t for you to know the times or seasons that the Father has set by his own authority. <sup>8</sup> Rather, you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.”

<sup>9</sup> After Jesus said these things, as they were watching, he was lifted up and a cloud took him out of their sight. <sup>10</sup> While he was going away and as they were staring toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood next to them. <sup>11</sup> They said, “Galileans, why are you standing here, looking toward heaven? This Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way that you saw him go into heaven.”

<sup>12</sup> Then they returned to Jerusalem from the Mount of Olives, which is near Jerusalem—a sabbath day’s journey away. <sup>13</sup> When they entered the city, they went to the upstairs room where they were staying. Peter, John, James, and Andrew; Philip and Thomas; Bartholomew and Matthew; James, Alphaeus’ son; Simon the zealot; and Judas, James’ son— <sup>14</sup> all were united in their devotion to prayer, along with some women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, and his brothers.

**Sermon**            *Kept People Who are Witnesses*

**Song of Response**    *How Can We Be Silent*

VT 790

### **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. Amen.

## **Benediction**

### **Sermon Response**

### **Prayer Requests, Prayer**

### **Announcements**

Greeters, Virg and Kathy Troyer

Usher, Jo Bixler

PA Operator, Dan Jantzi

Accompanist, Missy Short

Song Leader, Jeanne Jantzi

Reader, Mark Bixler

SS Preschool Hour & Nursery Care, Sky Lofty

Quiet Table during worship, all ages welcome

Sharing & Prayer, Jen Bixler

May Trustee, Mark Bixler

**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**

**Monday Meals.** We served 230 meals on Monday, a six-year record. This coming Monday, we're having a casserole night. Some leftovers, some new. With panic cake and a roll.

**Please stop by the table** at the back of the sanctuary to sign up to be Sunday greeters and/or nursery volunteers.

**Wild Church at Dan and Jeanne's** is coming up next Sunday, May 24<sup>th</sup> at 4 pm.

**Open Arms is hosting a Pop-Up Shop** here in the fellowship hall on Saturday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>. Open Arms people will also be here on Friday evening setting up the shop.

**Summer IS coming!** Time to think about church camp! The Mission and Service Committee has funds available that help defray the cost for campers. See Jan in the church office for a camp scholarship form.

**Fifth Sunday Mission Offering** is coming up May 31<sup>st</sup>. Look for a MailChimp this coming week and printed info by the mailboxes next Sunday with details of the upcoming offering.

**Attention sewists!** Please join us Thursday, May 28 at 6:00pm in the OMC Fellowship Hall to sew kit bags for the MCC Material Resources Center! Bring a sewing machine and/or fabric shears if you can. Don't forget to invite any friends or neighbors who would like to participate!

### **Schedule-At-A-Glance for May 17 – 24, 2026**

Sunday, May 17

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

Sunday School, **9:30 am**

Worship, **10:30 am**

Bill Seymour preaching

Monday, May 18

Monday Meals, 5:30 pm

Thursday, May 21

K Ladies Lunch at Jane Beyeler's, 12 noon

Sunday, May 24

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Sunday School, **9:30 am**

Worship, **10:30 am**

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

**Offering Report for May 10, 2026**

Ministry Spending Plan: \$2,243.82

Weekly Amount Needed for MSP: \$3,550.00

Monday Meals: \$66.00

Dollar Project (Hygiene Kits): \$22.00

Camp Luz Project: \$200.00

**May Birthdays and Anniversaries**

3 Rita Wenger

6 Mel Wenger

12 Jeanne Jantzi

17 LaVonne Amstutz

24 Violet Andreasen

27 Marianne Short

28 Roland/Jan Kauffman

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