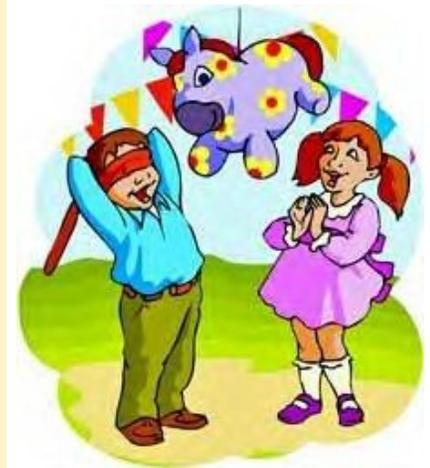


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WINGS Update

There was a lot of celebrating at WINGS this month! First, we celebrated the talents that make the WINGS kids special. We saw a talented Lego builder, a kid who could hit a baseball a long way even in the dark, a kid who could do the Worm, an artist, and even some gymnasts! Two of the leaders even got involved sharing their magic tricks and piano playing skills with the kids. It was a great chance to encourage the kids and get to know them better. And, who doesn't want to learn how to do the Worm?! "Minute-to-Win-it" games filled the time between acts which got the kids up and moving in some funny ways. They were great sports in the "Grab Bags With Your Teeth", "Straws and M&M's", and "Sticky Marbles" competitions!

Next, we celebrated fall with a fall party! We created scarecrows, did sack races, painted pumpkins, went pumpkin bowling, had a candy corn ball toss, guessed the number of candy corn in a jar, and smashed a piñata! The piñata didn't want to be smashed though. It was quite content to hold all the candy forever. Finally, the smallest crack opened up and hope bloomed. But no, it was just a tease. It took about a half hour to crack that thing! But, as the candy flew, the kids didn't remember the long wait! We wrapped up the evening with a fall snack and much laughter.

Our Bible study focused on Abraham and Sarah and the promise God gave them. Isaac was finally born and Abraham sure loved that kid! Then, God asked him to take the son he loved and sacrifice him. And Abraham obeyed. Thankfully, God provided a ram to take Isaac's place at the last minute. It was interesting to hear thoughts from the kids on why God would ask Abraham to do such a thing and what he and Isaac must have been thinking and feeling. The kids weren't sure they would be able to do what Abraham did if God would ask them to sacrifice something they love (like soccer). We talked about sacrifice and God's sacrifice of His Son for us. The Bible is amazing in the way it all points to Jesus and it is so neat to hear the kids making the connections.

Coming up: Advent and Christmas! Please keep praying for wisdom for the leaders as we work to teach about and show God to the kids. Pray for the kids as well! Thank you all!

~ Sara Anderson, WINGS Volunteer

Mennonite Church USA Convention 2017 is coming up July 4-8 in Orlando, with the theme "Love is a Verb." One way you can show love: Consider donating to the Convention Scholarship Fund or partnering with a congregation that can't afford to send people on its own. Learn more at <http://convention.mennoniteusa.org/registration/> or find the convention on Facebook or Twitter.



OrrVilla Retirement Community Announcements

The inspiring sounds of the **East Chippewa Men's Vocal Band** will fill the common area of OrrVilla Retirement Community's Maple Terrace on Tuesday evening, November 15, at 7:00 p.m. A men's quartet based out of Orrville's East Chippewa Church of the Brethren, the band performs throughout the area at retirement centers and community events and is sure to draw a large and enthusiastic audience. The performance is free and open to the public.

The Central Christian High School Varsity Singers will be making a stop at the OrrVilla Retirement Community on Wednesday, November 30, at 2:30 p.m. during their annual schedule of local appearances. Under the direction of Tim Shue, High School Choral Director, the ensemble will deliver a lively performance of tunes from a number of different genres.

Free and open to the public, the event takes place at OrrVilla's Maple Terrace, 333 E. Sassafras Street, Orrville. For more information please call 330-683-4455, visit www.orrvilla.org or follow us on Facebook at OrrVilla Retirement Community.

Central Christian School Announcement

- ◆ Central Christian welcomes The Steel Wheels! On Friday, November 11 at 7 pm, The Steel Wheels, an Americana Roots style band, will be in concert at CCS. Members of the band are graduates of our sister MSC schools and are establishing a national name for themselves with their high energy, excellent vocals, and instrumentals. To purchase tickets, visit www.ccscomets.org or call [330.857.7311](tel:330.857.7311).