

Sunday, September 4, 2016

Sunday School – 89 Worship –165

Offering

Spending Plan	\$3,910.94
Spending Plan (Outreach)	\$150.00
Manna for Many	\$50.00
Exterior Sign Project	\$100.00

STEWARDSHIP/GIVING MESSAGE:

Wanting less sometimes is a greater joy than having more.

UPCOMING EVENTS

September 18 – Christian Formation Sunday w/ Elaine Moyer

October 9 – Harvest Home Celebration w/ Malinda Berry

October 15, 17 & 18 – MCC Meat Canning/Kidron

MCC Bike Michiana is September 16-18 held at Amigo Center in Sturgis, Michigan.

MDS is seeking volunteers for Louisiana. See the notice posted on the bulletin board.

The Rejoice for September, October & November is on the table in the foyer along with the **Upper Room** for September & October. Please feel free to take one or both for yourself or a friend.

Pastoral Staff

Pastor: Douglas J. Zehr On sabbatical
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Bob & Enid Schloneger, Interim Pastors

"We at Mennonite Central Committee (MCC), along with our partners around the world, are blessed by your continuing support. Thank you, our friends and supporters at Oak Grove Mennonite for the many ways you contribute to the work of MCC. In addition to the energy and time you give at relief sales, thrift shops, meat canning and material resources, we are grateful for your congregation's recent contributions of school kits.

We are especially grateful for your prayer support for MCC's work of relief, development and peace in the name of Christ. Whether in Syria, Nepal, Nigeria, Colombia or Appalachia, your support is sharing God's love and compassion."

What's Happening at Oak Grove Preschool?

Preschool has started again with the first days on September 5th & 6th. The color of the month is yellow and the shape is a circle. The children will get measured to see how tall they are at the beginning of the school year. They will bring a picture of their pet to show and talk about. There will be fire drills and weather drills for the children to practice. They will start learning their numbers and alphabet. **WELCOME TO PRESCHOOL!**



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Sunday, September 11, 2016

Prelude – *Rindy Morphew*

Welcome – *Sue Herman*, Worship Leader

Call to Worship
Prayer

Hymns: HWB#521 “Come, Thou Fount”
HWB#167 “For God So Loved Us”
- *Reneda Miller*, song leader

Community Life Announcements
Pastoral Prayer

Offering
Offertory: *Rindy Morphew*

Hymn: SJ#44 “The Love of God”

Jr. Church – (children age 3 through Grade 2)
– c/o *Crystal Conrad*

Scripture: Luke 15:1-7

Sermon: “Is It Safe to Trust?”

Hymn of Response: HWB#578 “The Lord’s My Shepherd”

Benediction

THIS WEEK AT OAK GROVE

8:45 a.m. – Spiritual Life Commission Prayer

9:15 a.m. – Sunday School

10:30 a.m. – Worship – Bob Schloneger

Greeters: Bruce & Donna Kindy

Nursery:

9:15 a.m. – Dale & Marilyn Jaquet

10:30 a.m. – John & Carrie Skarl

Monday, September 12

6:30 p.m. – Spiritual Life Commission

7:00 p.m. – Bicentennial Meeting

Tuesday, September 13

7:00 p.m. – Education Commission

Wednesday, September 14

7:00 p.m. – Hand bell practice

Saturday, September 17

7:30 a.m. – Men’s Prayer Breakfast

NEXT SUNDAY – September 18, 2016

8:45 a.m. – Spiritual Life Commission Prayer

9:15 a.m. – Sunday School

10:30 a.m. – Worship – Elaine Moyer

Message: “Faith Formation:

Jesus, Community, Reconciliation”

Scripture: Luke 24:13-35

Greeters: Chuck & Wanda Hostetler

Nursery:

9:15 a.m. – Olivia Wenger & Velma Zook

10:30 a.m. – Matt & Beth Falb

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastors Doug and Miriam will be leaving on Thursday, September 15th, for their MCC Learning Tour to Israel-Palestine. They return on October 3rd. Please keep them in your prayers for travel safety, good health and a meaningful learning experience

We extend our sympathies to the family of Pam Matsos, who died on Tuesday, September 6, 2016. She was the wife of Spiro, the mother of Chris and Lee, the grandmother of Theo and the sister of Jennifer Sullivan and Larry Miller. May God grant you comfort at this time of loss.

Next Sunday is Christian Formation Sunday with guest speaker, Elaine Moyer. Elaine is the Senior Director of Mennonite Education Agency.

The Bicentennial Committee will be meeting on Monday, September 12, at 7:00 p.m.

Hannah Miedel will be taking orders for Equal Exchange products. There are order forms on the table in the foyer and orders should be turned in to Hannah’s mailbox by September 25.

The Endowment Committee has considered and approved the following grant application for the congregation’s consideration: \$3000 to help provide educational scholarships for 20 medical employees of Shirati Hospital to achieve a certificate required by the Tanzanian government. Comments are welcomed by committee members Harold Hochstetler, George Bixler, Kay Hostetler, Linda Jaquet, Willie Troyer and Steve Miller. The committee will meet after church on September 25 to finalize approval of this request.

Just a friendly reminder to move into the sanctuary promptly for worship. Sunday School teachers, if you could dismiss promptly, that is greatly appreciated. ~Worship Commission

The new Greeters schedules were put in mailboxes of those who have volunteered for Sunday morning greeters. If the schedule does not work for you, please exchange with someone and let the office know. ~Thank you

The Ohio Mennonite Women’s Summer/Fall Newsletter is posted on the bulletin board. See upcoming events and other updates on mission projects that they support.

OrrVilla Open House: Mark your calendar to enjoy a casual and informative tour of the OrrVilla Retirement Community during one of the upcoming Open House events scheduled for **Sunday, September 11**, and **Sunday, October 2, from 2:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m.** Both the Maple Terrace assisted living facility and the Locust Court independent living neighborhood will be featured during the event. Living units of varying sizes and styles will be open for viewing at the campus near the intersection of East Sassafras and Lake Streets in Orrville. Members of OrrVilla’s caring staff will be available to lead tours and answer questions throughout each of the events. Music and light refreshments will be available as well. For more information about OrrVilla, please call 330-683-4455 or check out our recently upgraded and enhanced website at www.orrvilla.org Please follow us on Facebook at OrrVilla Retirement Community.



Birthdays this week

- September 13 – Jillian Witmer
- 14 – Sam Conrad
- 15 – Levi Miller
Alex Murray
- 17 – Steve Morphew
Aimee Stein

Anniversaries

- September 12 – Bob & Linda Amstutz (47)
Matt & Megan Hochstetler
- 13 – LaMont & Jennifer Steiner