

Sunday, January 15, 2017

Sunday School – 103

Worship – 142

Offering

Spending Plan	\$4,555.00
Spending Plan (outreach/community asst.)	\$100.00
Central Christian Student Fund	\$500.00

STEWARDSHIP/GIVING MESSAGE:

I personally measure success in terms of the contributions an individual makes to her or his fellow human beings.

~Margaret Mead

UPCOMING EVENTS

January 29 – Annual Congregational Meeting/Carry-in meal

February 26 – Swim & games at Orrville YMCA

March 11 – CDC Regional Gathering - First Menn. – Wadsworth

March 23-24 – Missional Conference – “Who Is My Neighbor”

March 24-25 – Ohio Annual Conference Assembly - CCS/Kidron

The Education Commission is planning for Spring Quarter (March, April, May) Sunday School option classes. Four courses of study have been chosen:

- ❖ *Sacred Pauses: Spiritual Practices for Personal Renewal* by April Yamasaki
- ❖ *Dig In: 13 Scriptures to Help Us Know the Way*
- ❖ *Real Life, Real Families*
- ❖ The Adult S. S. lesson guide (quarterly) – *God Loves Us*

Stay tuned for more information and sign-up

Pastoral Staff

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Hymn: HWB#453 “Let Us Break Bread Together”

Communion

Hymn: HWB#459 “I Come With Joy to Meet My Lord”

Benediction

You are warmly invited to a CDC Regional Gathering on March 11 @ First Mennonite Church Wadsworth (Wadsworth, OH). The morning includes engaging the theme of Abounding in Love. . . Abiding in Grace with input from Open Table Mennonite Fellowship, a story and tour from the host congregation, and reporting on events within MC USA. Following lunchtime fellowship, participants will hear a historical vignette from Camp Friedenswald, and then engage in table discussion - naming our faith formation experiences. Our afternoon will end with a time of prayer. As CDC Vice-president Arman Habegger said about attending his first Regional Gathering, “I didn’t really want to go, but by the end of the day I was glad I did!”

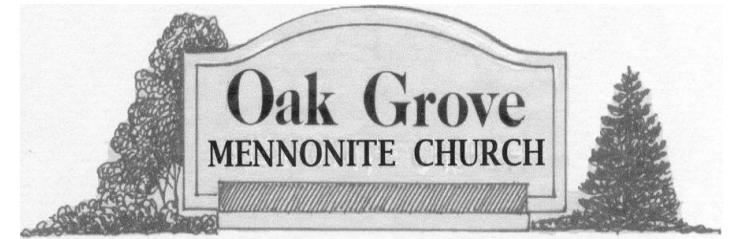
Ohio Conference welcomes Alan & Debra Hirsch as presenters for the missional conference March 23-24, 2017, at Kidron Mennonite Church. The conference title is “Who Is My Neighbor” and it will include several sessions on relating to those who have different backgrounds and ideas than we do. This will precede the Ohio Conference’s 2017 Annual Conference Assembly held on March 24-25. Brochures were put into mailboxes and there is a poster on the bulletin board with more information.

Camp Luz Retreat:

Men’s Retreat – March 31-April 2, 2017

Brochures are on the table in the foyer.

Habitat for Humanity in Wayne County needs your help in funding our next build. This month, please consider a donation to fund foundations supplies which include excavation, concrete blocks and concrete. Donations can be made online at www.waynehabitat.org or mailed to: HFH 6096 East Lincoln Way, Wooster, Ohio 44691. If you are a block-layer or excavator, In-Kind services are very much needed and appreciated!



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Sunday, January 22, 2017

World Fellowship Sunday

Prelude – Rita Schrock

Welcome – Anson Miedel, Worship Leader

Call to Worship

Prayer

Hymns: HWB#1 “What Is This Place”
HWB#42 “All People That on Earth Do Dwell”
- Matt Wenger, song leader

Community Life Announcements

Pastoral Prayer

Offering

Offertory: Rita Schrock

Choir – “March of the Wise Men”
– Dora Short, director; Kathy Smucker, piano

Scripture: Psalm 40:1-10

Hymn: HWB#475 “Become to Us the Living Bread”

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

Sermon: “God Hears Our Cries” – Pastor Doug

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THIS WEEK AT OAK GROVE

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

9:15 a.m. – Sunday School

10:30 a.m. – Worship –Pastor Doug

Communion

Greeters: Willie & Kay Hostetler

Nursery:

9:15 a.m. – Tuffy & Deb Kurtz

10:30 a.m. – Craig & Krista Martin

Tuesday, January 24

7:00 p.m. – Bicentennial Committee

Thursday, January 26

6:00 p.m. – Worship Commission

7:00 p.m. – Property Commission

NEXT SUNDAY – January 29, 2017

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

9:15 a.m. – Sunday School

10:30 a.m. – Worship – Pastor Doug

Message: “Love is Mutual”

Scripture: 1 John 2:10, 3:10-11

Noon Carry-in meal

12:45p.m. – Annual Congregational Meeting

Greeters: Loren Hostetler & Sue Turskey

Nursery:

9:15 a.m. – Wanda Beattie & Velma Zook

10:30 a.m. – John & Carrie Skarl

ANNOUNCEMENTS



In your mailboxes this morning after church, you will find a copy of the 2016 Annual Report containing an overview of last year’s work of the church for your review. Please remember to bring the Annual Report with you next Sunday for the Annual Congregational Meeting. We will be voting on the proposed 2017 Spending Plan and there will be an affirmation vote for two new members of the Leadership Selection Committee: Paul Miller and Dennis Ramseyer. **A carry-in meal** will precede the Annual Meeting.

HELP WANTED: The Leadership Selection Committee needs your help in discerning and guiding us in our process of finding new people for our church commissions. Please prayerfully fill out your questionnaire and return to the box in the foyer by Jan 29th. There are extra copies by the box if you lost the last one.

The Arden Ramseyer Family wants to express our deepest gratitude for all the expressions of love and support during Arden’s illness and passing. We are so grateful to have such a caring church family!

The Bicentennial Committee will be meeting at 7:00 PM on Tuesday, January 24.

Our group subscription plan to *The Mennonite* magazine is renewing. The magazine for MC USA, it helps to challenge and inspire with news that connects readers to the larger Mennonite community and much more. If you are interested in renewing or joining our group plan, please contact Sherry Miller. The group plan cost is \$37.00. Checks should be written to Sherry to enable sending one check. There are forms on the table in the foyer. Please return the form with payment *no later than February 5*.

Thank you for your contribution to Mennonite Disaster Service, in the amount of \$1675.20 processed on January 10, 2017, forwarded by Ohio Conference of the Mennonite Church.

Larry found himself losing hope that his house would be rebuilt after it was damaged by the wildfires that struck California in 2015. Larry and his wife were facing zoning and insurance obstacles at the county inspector’s office when MDX volunteers overheard their difficulty. The volunteers asked for Larry’s address to see if he was on the MDS client list. “No, I’m not on your list. I’m not on anybody’s list,” said Larry. Together, they discovered Larry was indeed on the list and scheduled to get a new house. Surprised by the news, Larry responded, “I could hug you!” Your generosity makes moments like these possible. With gratitude, ~Keven King, Executive Director

MCC's Sharing With Appalachia People (SWAP) program is seeking volunteer groups and summer staff. Summer will be here before we know it, so make your summer plans now to join SWAP in Kentucky. Summer staff varies in age from 19 to 70+, and they receive meals, lodging and a weekly stipend for their service. For more information about bringing a group to SWAP or serving as summer staff, visit swap.mcc.org or contact Angela Maggard at AppalachiaAdmin@mcc.org or 606-633-5065. More information is on the bulletin board.



Birthdays this week

- January 23 – Mara Steiner
- 24 – Hannah Miedel
- 25 – Jonas Skarl
- 26 – Mary Miedel
- 28 – Willis Troyer (82)
John Lyons
- 29 – Carl Conrad (86)

Anniversaries

- January 29 – Mahlon & Gwen Schmucker (52)