

Sunday, October 15, 2017

Sunday School – 74 Worship – 139

OFFERING

Spending Plan	\$3,736.27
Puerto Rico Fund	\$75.00
Harvest Home (undesignated)	\$650.00

STEWARDSHIP/GIVING MESSAGE

We are not cisterns made for hoarding, but channels made for sharing.

Oak Grove provides matching grants to our college students attending Mennonite institutions. This year we have a student at Bluffton University. Your financial support is appreciated. Please note Mennonite College Fund in the memo line of your check. Thank you in advance for your support.

SAVE THE DATES

November 4 – Senior Citizen Meal
December 3 – Search for the Christ Child
December 17 – Messiah

Open Arms Hispanic Ministry is holding its *Songs and Salsa* event on November 5, at 6:00 p.m. at the Old Church at Sonnenberg Village near Kidron. The address is 13515 Hackett Road. A free will offering will be collected. See the bulletin board for more information.

Great is Thy Faithfulness
 Celebrating 200 Years
Oak Grove Mennonite Church
 1818-2018

April 14-15, 2018 – Historical Reflections
 July 15, 2018 – Hymn Sing & Hymnal Celebration
 October 13-14, 2018 - Homecoming & Concert

Community Life Announcements

Moment in Mission – *Bethany Shue Nussbaum*,
MEDA Senior Development Officer

Pastoral Prayer

Hymn: HWB#353 “Lord, Listen to Your Children”

Offering

Offertory: “The Love of God” – *George Bixler*

Children’s Time – *Jolene Jaquet*

Hymn: HWB#307 “Will You Let Me Be Your Servant”

Scripture: Luke 14:1-14

Sermon: “Kingdom Etiquette” – *Pastor Doug*

Hymn of Response: SJ#78 “We Will Walk With God”

Benediction

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Camp Friedenswald – Quilting Retreat (with MCC Great Lakes) *November 3-5, 2017*

Come to our newest retreat, a partnership with Mennonite Central Committee, to encourage a community of quilters! Come alone or with a group, with skills to share or interest in learning, with a project for an MCC auction, or a project of your own. Come for the space, time, and peaceful surroundings to do something you love with others, and enjoy our beautiful camp, delicious meals, and friendly fellowship. To register online visit friedenswald.org/retreats/

The Upper Room for November & December is on the table in the foyer. Please feel free to take one for yourself or a friend.



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Sunday, October 22, 2017

Prelude – *George Bixler*

Welcome – *Miriam Zehr*, Worship leader

Call to Worship

L: The prophets remind us to listen to God’s people crying out. Because of our guilt or our shame, we often ignore those voices.

P: Lord, teach us to hear our neighbors’ stories even when we find it hard to listen.

L: Even when their stories do not sound the same as ours, Lord, teach us to listen.

P: Remind us that we once lived on the margins, ignored and forgotten by the world.

L: Yet, at times, we think our righteousness should wash us of our prejudice. We claim God’s privilege for our own, forgetting it is only God’s to share.

P: Break open our hearts, Lord, that we may love all your children as you love them.

L: Remind us that the same God who sets us each a place at the welcome table also troubles the waters.

**All: Lord, listen to your children praying.
 Lead us to be listeners too.**

Hymns: HWB#8 “Brethren, We Have Met to Worship”
 HWB#367 “For the Healing of the Nations”
 -*Matt Wenger*, song leader

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THIS WEEK AT OAK GROVE

8:45am: Spiritual Life Commission Prayer

9:15am: Sunday School

10:30am: Worship – Pastor Doug

Greeters: Mary Lou Brady & Ellen Nikkel

Nursery:

9:15am – Jennifer Hartzler & Donna Kindy

10:30am – Ralph & Barb Reinford

Monday, October 23: 7:00pm, Bicentennial Committee

Wednesday, October 25: 7:00pm, Choir Practice

Thursday, October 26: 7:00pm, Property Commission
7:00pm, Ohio Conference Delegate mtg. at Salem (Kidron)

Happy Birthday!

10.24 – Lisa Douce

10.25 – Debbie Beechy

10.26 – Rosa Kim

10.26 – Harold Hochstetler

10.26 – Noah Stutzman

10.26 – George Swartzentruber (83)

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NEXT SUNDAY – October 29, 2017

Memorial Sunday

8:45am: Spiritual Life Commission Prayer

9:15am: Sunday School

10:30am: Worship – Pastor Doug

“Insatiable Visions & Aspirations”

Micah 4:1-4

Greeters: Leonard & Nancy Douce

Nursery:

9:15am – Tom & Kathy Smucker

10:30am – Von & Rita Schrock

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Congratulations! A son, Lincoln Kent, was born on Friday, October 13, 2017, to Andrea & Tyson Wiles. Maternal grandparents are Mark & Deb Steiner. May God’s blessing be with this family.

Congratulations to Eric Hochstetler and Logan Subler, who were married on October 14, 2017, at St. Christopher Parish in Van Dalia, OH. They will be living at 5306 Chippewa Rd., Orrville, OH.

We extend our sympathies to Brian and Reneda Miller on the death of Brian’s mother, Dorothy Miller, on Wednesday, October 18, 2017. Visitation is this Sunday 4-7 p.m. at Walnut Creek Mennonite Church. The funeral is on Monday at 11 a.m. at Walnut Creek Mennonite Church. May God grant comfort at this time of loss.

Fellowship & Service Commission is looking for volunteers to help make coffee on Sunday morning before the Sunday school hour. Persons need to be willing to come at 8:30 a.m. If you don't know how to run the coffee pot, that's OK, we will be glad to teach you. Not hard. Please call Donna Kindy at [330-464-1243](tel:330-464-1243) if you can help. Thank you!

Bradley Kauffman, Director/General Editor of the Mennonite Worship and Song Committee, was our guest for our Harvest Home service on Sunday, October 8, to introduce the new hymnal project. He invites any feedback you may have. You can respond at

<http://www.heraldpress.com/MennoniteWorshipAndSongCollection/Survey/>

“Thank you for your generous offering of \$925.00 for the ministry here at Camp Luz. Your support makes it possible for us to continue the important ministry that God has called us to – **Sharing Christ and helping people grow in their faith.”**

~ *Andrew Michaels*, Camp Director

Bluffton University is hosting the “Mirror of the Martyrs” exhibit October 1 through November 5. This exhibit is focused around many of the stories about Anabaptist faith and witness found in the “Martyrs Mirror,” including those depicted in eight of the copper plates that artist Jan Luyken created in order to illustrate the 1685 Dutch edition. See schedule of events on the bulletin board.

The Youth Group of Paradise Church of the Brethren, 3000 Apple Creek Rd., Smithville, is hosting a family fun night on November 5 from 5-7:00 p.m. There will be games, food, fun and fellowship as well as a hayride. Most activities will be outside so dress for the weather. All are welcome and there is no cost. Call Pastor Terry Vaught with questions - [416.565.7815](tel:416.565.7815). We look forward to greeting you!