

Sunday, November 10, 2019

Sunday School – 96    Worship – 153

**OFFERING**

Spending Plan	\$5,494.00
SS: Primary/Jr.	\$6.48
Property	\$3,455.00
Preschool Contr.	\$50.00
F&S Kitchen	\$50.00
Central Student Assist.	\$100.00
Compassion Fund	\$100.00

**Save the Dates:**

- November 28-December 2: Thanksgiving Holiday, Office Closed
- December 8: Search for the Christ Child, 5-7pm (note change in time)
- December 9: Messiah Set-up
- December 13: Messiah Rehearsal, 7-9pm
- December 14: Messiah Rehearsal, 3:15-5:15pm
- December 15: Messiah, 2:30pm

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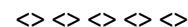
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**Here is the perfect way to start off your Advent season!**

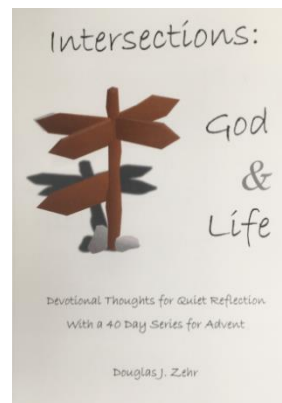
You are invited to join in decorating the church for Christmas. Come anytime between 6:00 and 9:00 p.m. on Monday, November 25th. No experience necessary--just willing hands.

**"Waiting and Wondering,"** this year's **Advent At Home** booklet for families and people of all ages, is available now at [mennoniteusa.org/resource/advent-at-home](http://mennoniteusa.org/resource/advent-at-home).



*Intersections:  
God & Life*

A Devotional book that includes  
40 meditations for Advent  
by Pastor Doug



The 2<sup>nd</sup> part of the book follows the scripture texts for our 2019 Advent & Christmas worship series.

Copies may be purchased at the Church office.

**The Orrville Community Chorus will present its 76<sup>th</sup> annual performance of MESSIAH by George Frideric Handel on Sunday, December 8, at 7:00 p.m. at Central Christian School in Kidron.** Admission is \$8. Students through eighth grade will be admitted free. Visit the Chorus website at [www.orrvillecommunitychorus.org](http://www.orrvillecommunitychorus.org) for further information. Questions may be addressed to [info@orrvillecommunitychorus.org](mailto:info@orrvillecommunitychorus.org).



**Oak Grove Mennonite Church**  
**Sunday, November 17, 2019**

**Prelude:** *Hannah Steiner*

**Welcome:** *Mary Lou Brady*, Worship Leader

**Call to Worship**  
**Prayer**

**Hymns:** SJ#2 "Come, Walk With Us"  
SJ#17 "Halle, Halle, Hallelujah"  
-*Nate Gundy*, song leader

**Community Life Announcements**  
**Pastoral Prayer**

**Offering**  
**Offertory:** *Aaron Miedel*, *Seth Steiner*, violin; *Hannah Steiner*, piano

**Hymn:** SJ#54 "Longing for Light"  
SJ#57 "Your Will Be Done"

**Scripture: Psalm 100**

**Sermon: Guest – David Shenk** introduced by *John Zook*

**Hymn of Response:** HWB# 425 "Come, Come Ye Saints"

**Benediction**

## ***This Week at Oak Grove***

**8:45am:** Spiritual Life Commission Prayer  
**9:15am:** Sunday School  
**9:30am:** Worship at OrrVilla  
**10:30am:** Sunday Worship – Dr. David Shenk  
**Greeters:** Loren Hostetler & Jennifer Hartzler  
**Nursery:**  
**9:15am** – Dale & Marilyn Jaquet  
**10:30am** – Nate & Jessica Witmer Gundy

Game Night, 4pm  
“Peace Making” with David Shenk, 7pm

### **Coming up this week:**

Wednesday, 11/20: Choir, 7pm  
Thursday, 11/21: Church Board, 7pm

### **Happy Birthday!**

19 Don Ramseyer  
23 Bunny Stutzman

## ***Next Sunday, November 24, 2019***

**8:45am:** Spiritual Life Commission Prayer  
**9:15am:** Sunday School  
**10:30am:** Sunday Worship – Doug Zehr  
“A Dream of Hope” Revelation 1, 5, 21 & 22  
**Greeters:** Herb & Gladene Hershberger  
**Nursery:**  
**9:15am** – Jennifer Hartzler & Velma Zook  
**10:30am** – Matt & Beth Falb

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**We welcome David and Grace Shenk to our worship service today.** The Shenks have served many years in Somalia and Kenya, as well as the U.S., giving special attention to bearing witness to the peace of Christ in a world of religious and ideological pluralism. **David is a professor and the author of a shelf of books; Grace is a counselor.** They travel extensively, encouraging peacemaking among Muslims and Christians. Hospitality has always been an important dimension of their peacemaking endeavors.

**Search for the Christ Child:** Next Sunday, November 24, the Search Committee will need assistance in moving the Search items from the Fellowship Hall to the church building following morning worship. Persons with trucks would be most helpful.

**COOKIES:** We would like to have cookies to serve our visitors who are following the star in search for the new born baby. A sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board in the lobby. Thanks for your help.

There are fliers for the Search on the table in the foyer. Feel free to share these with your neighbors, co-workers, friends and family!

**Christmas Giving Opportunity:** The Green Local Elementary guidance counselor has provided us with needs of families within the school. Choose an ornament/tag from the tree in the foyer and write your name by the corresponding number on the sign-up sheet. **All gifts are due back to the church by Sunday, December 8<sup>th</sup>, wrapped with the tag attached.** Thank you in advance for sharing this season.

**The Oak Grove Endowment Fund Board recommends the following grant applications and welcomes your comments regarding these requests:** Open Arms Hispanic Ministries, Kidron, \$2,000; Lighthouse Ministries, Canton, \$3,000; and Ohio Conference "Engaging Mission: 2020 Festival, \$1,000. After receiving your comments, the board will consider final approval of the requests on December 1. Board members are Gladene Hershberger, Matt Hochstetler, Levi Miller, Sherry Miller, Rita Schrock, and Bob Witmer.

**Today is the day!** Your payment and current address are due to Sherry Miller today to be part of the group subscription plan for The Mennonite. The cost is \$37.00. Checks should be made payable to Sherry, who will update the Oak Grove list and make payment on behalf of group subscribers.

## ***Weekly Prayer Bulletin***

### **Pray for...**

- Victims of mass shootings, flooding, hurricanes & tornadoes
- Refugees here and abroad
- Our nation's leaders

### **Seniors:**

- Betty Krabill
- Arlene Moore

### **Youth & Young Adults:**

- Zenobia Conrad
- Sadie Miedel

### **The Family of the Week:**

- Bob & Linda Amstutz

### **Mission Work:**

- Bruce Kindy & Alex Murray, with MDS in Wharton, TX

Loren and Rachel Johns are serving through Mennonite Mission Network to offer hospitality at SEMILLA, the Anabaptist seminary in Guatemala. Pray for them as they welcome national and international guests, and for Loren as he also teaches seminary courses.