

Sunday, April 9, 2017

Sunday School –106          Worship – 174

**Offering**

Spending Plan (general)	\$6,572.59
Oak Grove Exterior Sign	\$1,750.00
Easter lilies	\$9.00
MCC Relief Canning/Kidron	\$50.00
Manna for Many	\$50.00
Central Christian Student Fund	\$500.00

**STEWARDSHIP/GIVING MESSAGE:**

While trying to think about how you can make a big difference, try not to ignore the small daily differences you can make.  
~Marian Wright Edelman

**We thank you** for your contributions for the Exterior Sign Project. Our need is now less than \$2,000.

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

- April 29-30** – Celebrating the Arts at Oak Grove
- May 6** – Worship Seminar at Sonnenberg Mennonite Church
- May 14** – Parent/Child Dedication
- May 21** – Graduation Recognition Sunday
- May 21** – 3:00 p.m. – Crop Walk
- June 18** – Baptism Celebration

**You are cordially invited** to the second concert in the 2017 Trinity Concert Series, featuring Ensemble Belvedere, on Sunday, May 7, at 4:00 p.m., at Trinity United Church of Christ, 215 High Sr., Wadsworth, OH 44281. A free-will offering will be accepted. See the poster on the bulletin board.

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**Scripture:** Matthew 28:1-10

**Hymn:** HWB#614 “In the Bulb There is a Flower”

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

**Sermon:** “Restore Us, O God! We Live” – *Pastor Doug*

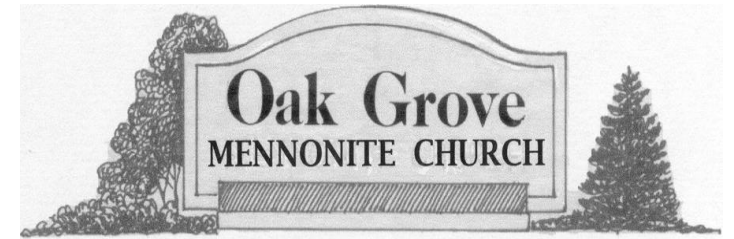
**Hymn of Response:** HWB#275 “Lift Your Glad Voices”

**Benediction**

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**Sonnenberg Station** Men’s Choral Ensemble offers its spring concert beginning April 22. Check the poster on the bulletin board for opportunities to hear their inspirational program.

**Manna for Many** – If you would like to get involved with bagging soup, there is a schedule of events on the bulletin board. See Jess Hamman for more details.



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**Sunday, April 16, 2017**  
**Easter: Restore Us, O God! We Live**

**Focus statement:** When our hopes for what will bring life are shattered, we come to the tomb feeling lost, confused, disillusioned, and afraid. But it is precisely there that God meets us—revealed in the mystery of the risen Christ. God, the Author of life, empowers us to live fully and enables us to praise once again. We dance, we sing, we proclaim: Christ is risen! Christ is risen, indeed! Alleluia!

**Prelude** – *George Bixler*

**Welcome** – *Sue Herman*, Worship Leader

**Call to Worship**

**Hymns:** HWB#280 “Christ the Lord Is Risen Today”  
HWB#273 “Low in the Grave He Lay”  
HWB#283 “Christ Who Left His Home in Glory”  
–*Nate Gundy, Craig Mast*, song leaders

**Community Life Announcements**

**Call to Prayer**

**Congregational response:** “He is risen, indeed!”

**Pastoral Prayer**

**Confession and Words of Assurance**

**Offering**

**Offertory:** “The Old Rugged Cross” - *George Bixler*

**Choir** – “Easter Song”

“He Lives” – *Dora Short*, director; *Kathy Smucker*, piano

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**THIS WEEK AT OAK GROVE – Easter Sunday**  
**8:45 a.m.** – Spiritual Life Commission Prayer

**8:30-9:15 a.m.** – Fellowship time

**9:15 a.m.** – Sunday School

**9:30 a.m.** – Worship at OrrVilla

**10:30 a.m.** – Worship – Pastor Doug

**Greeters:** Mark & Deb Steiner

**Nursery:**

**9:15 a.m.** – Velma Zook & Miriam Zehr

**10:30 a.m.** – John & Tammy Lyons

**Tuesday, April 18**

**7:00 p.m.** – Education Commission

**Wednesday, April 19**

**9:00 a.m.** – Mennonite Women – fine stitch

**7:00 p.m.** – Hand Bell Practice

**Saturday, April 22**

**10:00 a.m.** – Community Plant Exchange



**Birthdays this week**

**April** 17 – Bob Schloneger  
23 – Marie Beechy Shisler (99)  
Logan Jaquet

**Anniversaries**

**April** 21 – Leonard & Nancy Douce (55)

**NEXT SUNDAY – April 23, 2017**

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

**9:15 a.m.** – Sunday School

**Joint Adult Classes – Sanctuary**

*“The Shues on the Camino”* – Terry & Kay Shue

**10:30 a.m.** – Worship – Terry & Kay Shue

**Message:** “A Pilgrimage”

**Scripture:** Psalm 121

**Greeters:** Bruce & Donna Kindy

**Nursery:**

**9:15 a.m.** – Dale Jaquet & Donna Kindy

**10:30 a.m.** – Matt & Beth Falb

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Next Sunday** will be a **Spiritual Life Emphasis Event**. Terry & Kay Shue will be sharing about their experience journeying on the Camino de Santiago during our morning Sunday school hour and worship time.

**Our sympathies** go out to Betty Berkshire and her family on the death of her brother, Eugene (Gene) Berkshire, who died on Tuesday, April 11, 2017. May God grant them comfort at this time of loss.

**Oak Grove’s Community Plant Exchange** is scheduled for next Saturday, **April 22**, at 10:00 a.m. Bring your extra plants, bulbs, seedlings, anything related to gardening to exchange. Meet old friends, make new friends. We hope to see you there.

**You are invited** to celebrate Marie Beechy Shisler’s 99<sup>th</sup> birthday on Sunday, **April 23**. There will be an open house from 2-4 p.m. in the Fellowship Center.

**Oak Grove’s Art Exhibit** is scheduled for Saturday, 1-4 p.m. & Sunday, 1-3 p.m., **April 29 & 30**, in the Fellowship Center. Invite your friends or relatives and enjoy a walk through with music and refreshments.

**Ryan Schmidt** will be graduating from ATI on Saturday, May 6<sup>th</sup>. Ceremonies will be held in Fisher Auditorium at 11:00 a.m. Ryan was named Outstanding Student at ATI for 2016-17. He is the son of Dennis and Diane Schmidt.

**Central Christian School announcements:**

**1. Central Christian Middle School** presents the drama, *The Princess Who Had No Name*, on Friday, May 5, and Saturday, May 6, at 7:00 pm. Tickets are \$3 and are available at the door. Visit [www.ccscomets.org](http://www.ccscomets.org) for details.

**2. Central Christian Middle School** choirs and instrumental groups will present their spring concert on Thursday, May 11, at 7:00 pm in the Performing Arts Center.

**3. Central Christian High School** choirs and instrumental groups will present their spring concert on Friday, May 19, at 7:00 pm in the Performing Arts Center.

**4. Central Christian School’s 56<sup>th</sup> Annual Commencement** is Sunday, May 28, at 2:30 pm. The Class of 1967 will join us for this celebration. Visit [www.ccscomets.org](http://www.ccscomets.org) for details.

**5. Central Christian School** offers sports camps and music camp during June and July. Information will be available on the CCS Website by May 1.

**OrrVilla Events:**

**The Cedar Valley Cloggers** will dance their way through an evening of unique entertainment at OrrVilla Retirement Community on Wednesday, April 19, at 7:00 p.m. The group, based in Wooster, fosters the preservation of traditional Appalachian clogging and has been active for over 35 years.

**Sonnenberg Station** will bring its unique take on traditional spirituals, familiar folk songs and beloved classics, along with several original arrangements, when the 17-voice choral ensemble returns to OrrVilla Retirement Community on Monday, April 24, at 7:00 p.m. Led by director, Tim Shue, the men’s group explores a variety of cultures, eras, and styles in their music while delivering a few lighthearted surprises along the way. The program at OrrVilla’s Maple Terrace, 333 E. Sassafras Street, Orrville, is free and open to the public.