

Sunday, March 17, 2019

Sunday School – 104 Worship – 153

OFFERING

Spending Plan	\$4,719.06
SS, Primary/Jr.	\$3.00
MCC Relief Kits	\$390.00
Manna for Many	\$144.97
Robert Miller Memorial Gifts	\$300.00
White Gift	\$40.00

Save the Dates:

- March 31 – Praise & Prayer, 6pm
- April 11 – Manna for Many, 6-8pm
- April 12 – Manna for Many, 3-8pm
- April 24 – Winter Bible Institute
- May 1 – Winter Bible Institute

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Choir: “I Saw the Cross of Jesus”
– Dora Short, director; Kathy Smucker, piano

Children’s Time: Miriam Zehr

Song of the Month: SJ#64 “Somos El Cuerpo de Cristo” (We are the body of Christ)

Scripture: Psalm 63:1-8; Luke 13:1-9

Hymn: SJ#49 “Rain Down”

Sermon: “Life-Giving Satisfaction” – Pastor Doug

Confession and Reconciliation

Leader: “Ho, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and you that have no money, come, buy and eat. Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labor for that which does not satisfy? Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food. Incline your ear, and come to me; listen, so that you may live.” (*Isaiah 55:1-3a*)
Who will listen to the Lord today?

People: **We will listen to the Lord today.**

Leader: We are all invited to listen to the Lord today. Let us bring ourselves to God in prayer.

All: **God of life, we listen to you, for you alone have the words of life.**

When we realize that we have paid too much attention to the voices in our world, we listen to you.

Leader: When we sense the poverty of our souls, we listen to you.
When our souls hunger for abundant life, we listen to you.

All: **In the morning and in the evening, we will listen to you.**

Leader: Our generous God provides for us.

Hymn of Response: SJ#42 “Listen, God is Calling”

Benediction



Oak Grove Mennonite Church
Sunday, March 24, 2019

Lent 3: God Pours Out Life-giving Drink

When we become empty and weary from things that do not satisfy, God pours out life-giving drink. We turn from destruction to God’s grace.

Prelude: Kathy Smucker

Welcome: Jennifer Hartzler, Worship Leader

Call to worship (based on Psalm 63)

Leader: O God, you are our God. We seek you.

People: **Our souls thirst for you as in a dry and weary land where there is no water.**

Leader: We have seen you in the sanctuary, and know your power and glory.

People: **We will praise you and bless you as long as we live.**

All: **O God, you satisfy our souls as with a rich feast. In the shadow of your wings, we sing for joy, and you uphold us.**

Prayer

Hymns: HWB#8 “Brethren, We Have Met to Worship”
HWB#521 “Come, Thou Fount”
–Matt Wenger, song leader

Community Life Announcements
Pastoral Prayer

Offering
Offertory: Kathy Smucker

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This Week at Oak Grove

8:45am: Spiritual Life Commission Prayer

9:15am: Sunday School

10:30am: Sunday Worship – Pastor Doug

Greeters: Linda Schrock & Wanda Beattie

Nursery:

9:15am – Donna Kindy & Anita Bixler

10:30am – Von & Rita Schrock

Coming up this week:

Wednesday, 3/27

Lenten Prayer & Reflection, 6pm

Choir, 7pm

Happy Birthday!

Today – Miriam Zehr

25 Wanda Abebe

26 Beverly Ramseyer

26 Reneda Miller

27 Marg Baker

27 Art Neuenschwander

27 Anita Bixler

28 Kathy Smucker

31 Hans Hochstetler

31 Chuck Hostetler (80)

Happy Anniversary!

Today – Dan & Linda Jaquet (40)

29 Steve & Sue Turskey

Next Sunday, March 31st, 2019

8:45am: Spiritual Life Commission Prayer

9:15am: Sunday School

10:30am: Sunday Worship

Lent 4: God Reaches Out – Pastor Doug

Greeters: Bruce & Donna Kindy

Nursery:

9:15am – Nate & Jessica Witmer Gundy

10:30am – Matt & Megan Hochstetler

Praise & Prayer, 6pm

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday, March 31, 6pm: Join Ryan Conrad and Pastor Doug for an evening of “Praise and Prayer.”

Spiritual Life Commission is delighted to announce a rekindling of our Winter Bible Institute tradition with a two-part spring series of mid-week gatherings for spiritual rejuvenation on Wednesdays, April 24 and May 1. The events will include supper and guest speaker, the Rev. David Wilcox. Watch for more information.

A resolution on immigration recently passed at Ohio Mennonite Conference’s Annual Conference Assembly. If you are interested in reading the resolution, it is available at: <https://ohiomennoniteconference.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/03/Immigration-Resolution.pdf> The resolution can also be found on the Oak Grove website under the Resources tab.

From Central Christian: We are humbled and thankful for the community-wide effort that made the CCS Auction on March 9 such a success! The final total is \$485,000+. The auction supports the Fair Balance Fund which ensures that Central Christian School can offer variable rates of tuition to families who desire a Christ-Centered education.

Upcoming workshops to answer questions about Medicare and Social Security: Most people approaching retirement have questions about Medicare and Social Security. Two upcoming workshops presented by Everence Financial on Thursday, April 4, will provide answers. *Medicare: An overview* (5:30 - 6:45 p.m.) will provide information on what’s covered, the plans that supplement Medicare, and enrollment deadlines. *Social Security: An overview* (7 - 8:15 p.m.) will cover strategies to maximize your benefit, the best time to begin taking Social Security and more. The workshops will take place at the Everence office in Kidron, 4136 Kidron Road. Reservations are not required.

Weekly Prayer Bulletin

March 24-30, 2019

Pray for...

- Leadership Selection Committee
- Victims of flooding, cyclones & tornadoes
- Refugees here and abroad
- Our nation’s leaders

Seniors:

- Clair Hostetler
- Willard & Kay Hostetler

Youth & Young Adults:

- Alex Murray
- Rosa Kim

The Family of the Week:

- Tasha, Alex, Isabella & Luke Murray

Mission Work:

- Tom Smucker, MDS Texas Recovery Strategist
- Bruce Yoder, Nancy Frey, Deborah & Jeremiah (EMU): Burkina Faso will be completing their assignment with Mennonite Mission Network in the summer of 2019. Please pray for their time of transition – job search & re-entry issues. For more of their prayer concerns see their most recent newsletter in the Prayer Room.

Anne Garber Kompaoré of Mennonite Mission Network helped plant the seeds of the 40-year-old Mennonite Church in Burkina Faso and continues to live in the country, working as a global Bible-translation consultant. Pray for her and her husband, Daniel, as they also provide leadership for congregations and schools.