

Summit Mennonite Church

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We follow Christ, offering healing and hope as we serve our neighbors in need

Marilyn Rossiter, Pastor

Sunday School: 9:30 am

Stan King and Mary Schwartz, Caring Team

Worship: 10:30 am

If you are a visitor this morning, we welcome you to our worship service! We hope that you feel at ease with us and sense the presence of God. We invite you to sign our Guest book in the foyer.

Childcare during worship is available for infants and toddlers (generally ages three and under) in the nursery through the back doors of the sanctuary. Children's bulletins and toys are available at the sanctuary entrance.

August 30, 2015

Focus: We are God's very own children. God does not do business with our glittering images or our false selves. Only through intimate relationship with Jesus can we live lives of integrity, openness, and honesty.

GATHERING

Prelude

Susan Moyer

Welcome and Announcements

Hank Rossiter

Call to Worship:

Leader: Let us worship in the name of the Creator.

People: The Lord our God the Almighty reigns.

Leader: Let us worship in the name of the Son.

People: Who gave himself to set us free.

Leader: Let us worship in the name of the Holy Spirit

People: For all who are led by the Spirit are children of God.

All: The Grace of Jesus, the Love of God and the Communion of the Spirit are with us here.

Singing: HWB # 401 *This Little Light of Mine*
STJ #6 *You've got a place*

Vivian Jaberg

Offering

Response: *Listen to The Word*

HEARING GOD

Children's Time: How Old Do You Have To Be?

Mona Rohrer

Scripture: Romans 8:9-17

Sermon: Willful or Willing: Finding the Freedom to Fall Upward

RESPONDING

Singing: STS # 31 *Jesus Be the Center*

Sharing of sermon responses, introduction of guests, joys, prayer requests

Pastoral Prayer

SENDING

Singing: HWB # 616 *Children of the Heavenly Father*

Blessing

Leader: God has breathed the breath of life within you

People: Blessed is God and God's blessings are upon us.

Leader: God has saved us from sin and death through grace.

God has empowered us to serve others in Christ name.

People: Blessed is God and God's blessings are upon us.

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Sept food Donations for BACM: Canned tuna, beef stew & ravioli

Greeter: Deb Barry & Paula Gill

Worship Planners: Susan Moyer, Julia Beyeler & Suzie Yoder

Nursery: Andressa & Senari

### LAST WEEK

Attendance: 35

General Offering: \$1,392

### THIS WEEK

**Mon, August 31: Church Council meets (note change of date)**

Sun, Sept 6: Creation Care Sunday with brown bag picnic in our picnic area

### COMING EVENTS

Sat, Sept 12, 5pm: Fish fry with First Mennonite invited to join us

Sept. 13- Children's Day

Sept. 27- Peace Day

Nov. 1- Remembering Our Dead (Dia de nos Muertos)

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

Marilyn will be attending an all-Ohio pastors' meeting in Mansfield on Wednesday from 9-3. She is available in the office at Summit on Monday from 5:00- 7 and on Thursday.

Council will be meeting Monday evening at 7:00 p.m.

Next Sunday, Sept 6 we will enjoy a picnic together after the worship service focusing on Creation Care. We will each be responsible for our own lunch, so bring a brown bag lunch, or run to a fast food eatery in the area to pick up a quick lunch.

Saturday, Sept 12 at 5:00pm we will be hosting a fish fry with First Mennonite Church in Wadsworth invited to join us. The fish will be prepared by Jack's brother, Ken, who attends First Mennonite, and the rest of us are asked to **bring a side dish/dessert to share**. Please sign the sheet in the kitchen to give an idea of how much fish to prepare.

Webinar: Greg Boyd on Anabaptism. Thursday, September 17, 2015, 2pm to 3:30. This video-conference conversation will feature Greg Boyd describing his journey toward Anabaptism and what neo-Anabaptism means to him. AMBS Professor David B. Miller will host the conversation. For more information and to register, see [www.ambs.edu/churchleadershipcenter](http://www.ambs.edu/churchleadershipcenter)

Newcomers's annual hymn sing will be October 4 around 5:00 PM at 8172 Tower road, Seville, Ohio 44273. Bring a chair unless you like to sit on straw bales. Singing will begin around 7:00 PM.

**Seminars for those about to retire.** Everence is presenting seminars for those about to retire or already retired. These events provide valuable information about Medicare and Social Security. The seminars will be held in Hartville and Kidron. The posters on the bulletin board and fliers on the table have times and dates. For more information see Stan, or Everence Advocate.

**BACM:** Bring **canned meat; tuna, beef stew & ravioli** for the month of **September** and drop into the box by our white giving tree. You may bring other food or grocery supplies also. It would be helpful to get into the habit of buying a few extra items when you do your grocery shopping.

**MISSION NETWORK PRAYER REQUEST:** Tomorrow, Mennonite Mission Network's DOOR Dwell participants will arrive in the cities they will call home for the coming year. Pray for them as they reflect on the challenges they will encounter and as they celebrate life in community.