

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.

May 3, 2015

GATHERING

Prelude

Welcome

Lee Ressler

Call to worship:

Leader: Seekers of God, you are here and God is here.

People: Let us open our eyes to see anew.

Leader: Lovers of God, you are here and God is here.

People: Let us open our hearts to be touched anew.

Leader: Followers of God, you are here and God is here.

People: Let us open our minds to learn anew.

Leader: People of God, you are here and God is here.

All: Let us open ourselves to be filled anew.

Opening Prayer

Hymn: HWB: #12, *Come let us all unite to sing*

Julia Beyeler

PRAISING

New Testament Scripture: Acts 8:26-40

HWB #71, *Joyful, joyful, we adore thee*

HEARING GOD

Children's Time

Hannah Horner

Scripture: I John 4:7-21

Message

Jayne Byler

RESPONDING

Hymn: HWB #371, *Let there be light, Lord God*

Announcements

Sharing joys and concerns

Offering

SENDING

Hymn: StS #16, *Peace before us*

Blessing



May food Donations for BACM: Peanut butter and jelly

Greeter: Brenda & Cliff Lowe

Worship Planners: Wanda & Lee Ressler

Nursery: Judy & Stan King

LAST WEEK

Attendance: 47

Offering: \$810

Needed to meet spending plan: \$1,400

NEXT WEEK

May 10 Women's Day- main dish provided; men sign up for bread & dessert

COMING EVENTS

Saturday, May 16, 9am-noon: hymn sing and input at First Mennonite, Wadsworth

Sunday, May 17, 10:45: worship at 10:45 at First Mennonite

Sat, May 23, 6pm: Wedding shower for Hannah Horner & William Troyer

July 18-19, 2015: Summit's 50th Anniversary celebration

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Marilyn's office hours will be Monday, May 4, 1-8 and Tuesday, May 5, 11-2 for any who would like to meet with her. She is also available by phone or email at other times.

Next Sunday to celebrate Women's Day at Summit Mennonite we request that people bring potted flowers to be planted in the flower beds outside of our church. These flower plants can be given to the church in honor of women or a particular woman in your life. When you bring your flowers, please put them on the table in front of the church.

Men, don't forget to sign up for bread or dessert for next Sunday's **Women's Day meal**.

On May 17, Lane Miller, an AMBS grad and native of Norton, will teach/lead a hymn sing from 9:30-11:00 on Saturday and then preach through the worship-rich book of Chronicles on Sunday morning (worship beginning at 10:45 with another input session at 9:45). Please plan to come and worship, as our congregation grows in relationship with First Mennonite of Wadsworth.

HELP PEOPLE IN NEPAL: Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) is requesting donations to support its response to the 7.8-magnitude earthquake that shook Nepal April 25. Focusing its initial emergency response on hard-hit rural communities, MCC is providing food, tarps, blankets and cooking pots and utensils. A longer-term response will be determined as MCC and its partners assess the situation. Please pray for the people of Nepal and the work of MCC. Donations can be made at mcc.org/nepal-earthquake or by calling 888-563-4676. Checks may be sent to MCC U.S., PO Box 500, Akron, PA, 17501-0500.

Central Christian School Coming Events:

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

CCS High School choirs and instrumental groups will present their spring concert on Friday, May 15 at 7:00 pm in the Performing Arts Center.

CCS 55th Annual Commencement is Sunday, May 24, at 2:30 pm.

CCS offers sports camps and music camp during June and July.

Details on all events at www.ccscomets.org

BACM: Bring peanut butter and jelly for the month of May 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: The deadline to apply for Mennonite Mission Network's Mennonite Voluntary Service program is May 31. Pray that those whom God is calling to live out their faith will respond affirmatively.

RECLAIMING SONG AS A BIBLICAL PRACTICE OF SPIRITUAL FORMATION: SINGING & RESISTENCE IN THE BOOK OF CHRONICLES

Music surrounds us throughout our lives whether it is pop music on the radio, jazz ballads on the elevator, background to commercial advertisements, or intros to news shows, or Christian rock in the car. The music of Sunday morning is most certainly a small portion of our music consumption, yet perhaps the most important. In a biblical study of the book of Chronicles, a little studied book of the Old Testament that records the history of Israel, we will discover how music was an absolutely central means of spiritual formation for the ancient Israelites. Further, we will explore, briefly, the use of music in the early church and modern Mennonite history. Throughout this workshop, we will sing music from within and outside of the Mennonite hymnals to illustrate how it can form us in faith and help us resist the siren calls of our fallen world.

BIOGRAPHY

Lane Miller (MDiv) graduated in 2013 from Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary where he studied Bible and pastoral ministry. His teaching and workshops on the Bible are in demand across the Midwest. His undergraduate work in music and religion has led to various workshops combining the Bible, Music, and Theology. Most recently, he led the music in worship for AMBS Pastor's Week 2015. He sings in the Michiana area with the St. Joseph Valley Camerata, has served on the board of Anabaptist Missional Project, and participates regularly in worship and Sunday School teaching at Berkey Avenue Mennonite Fellowship in Goshen, Indiana.