

## Summit Mennonite Church

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*Welcome to all visitors! May you feel at ease with us and sense the presence of God.*

Worship: 9:30 am

Sunday School 10:30 am

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

November 20, 2016

Focus Statement: In Christ, we find all kinds of strength, endurance, patience, joy and thanksgiving; in release from old life and growth in new life.

Gathering Music

Opening Songs: HWB 36 God of our Strength  
HWB 20 Come and see  
HWB 329 A mighty fortress is our God

Welcome

Call to Worship

L: Come, take refuge in the Lord, for God is good.

**P: From the storms and struggles of life we come.**

L: Come, rejoice in the Lord, for God will provide peace for you.

**P: From fear and anxiety, we come to find peace.**

L: Come, open your hearts to the Lord and you will be given blessing.

**P: Thanks be to God for the many ways in which we are blessed.**

Sharing of Joys and Prayer Requests

Opening Prayer (ending with prayer for offering)

Offering: Grateful Hank Rossiter

Children's Time

Call to Prayer HWB 353 Lord, listen to your children

Prayer of the Day

Scripture: Luke 21: 33-43; Colossians 1:11-20

Sermon: Turkey and Thanksliving Pastor Marilyn Rossiter

Song of Response: HWB 94 Come, ye thankful people

Sermon Responses, Introduction of Guests and Announcements

Closing Song: HWB 428 Lord, let us now depart in peace

Blessing

## THIS MORNING

Gathering Music: Susan Moyer

Worship Leader: Rachael Oyer

Song Leader: Kyle Yoder

Greeters: Judy & Stan King

Nursery: Suzie & Kyle Yoder

Worship Planners: Susan Moyer & Marilyn Rossiter

## LAST WEEK

Attendance: 41

General Offering: \$1,315

\$1,750 needed weekly to meet spending plan

Year to date \$3,100 short for meeting spending plan

## THIS WEEK

- Sun, Nov 20, 10:30 (replacing Sunday school): **Discernment Meeting**
- Sun, Nov 20, following Discernment Meeting: **Thanksgiving meal**

## COMING EVENTS

- Dec 3, 10am: Women's Christmas Brunch here at the church
- Christmas Eve- Combined Candlelight Service HERE at Summit with First Mennonite
- Dec 18, 9:30: Christmas Brunch followed by worship

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Marilyn's office hours this week will be tomorrow (Monday, 1-4) and Wednesday, 9-noon. Call/email/text Marilyn for time with her, keeping in mind that Tuesday is her day off.

Remember to email or call Marilyn or Wanda with any announcements or prayer requests that you would like listed in the bulletins on Sunday by Thursday evening of each week.

All women, remember to put Saturday, Dec. 3 at ten a.m. on your calendar and invite a friend NOW. We will have a wonderful time of deepening friendships and relationships and also helping Penny by bringing a small token of love. Also remember to bring a wrapped used ornament. This is always such a fun time!

RECYCLING BIN~ Remember to bring all your paper and cardboard to recycle in the container in our church parking lot. Please remember, however, not to include personal information. Rip up envelopes with addresses and/or phone numbers or other contact information or do not include them to protect yourself from identity fraud. Thank you for caring for the environment by living simply and sustainably. Recycling is essential for earth care!

Hank will be traveling to Liberia Dec. 5-10 to assess the Girls' School started in 2007 by Pastor Marilyn. He will be buying school supplies and providing money for a Christmas Party for the girls. Checks payable to Bridge of Hope (tax deductible) may be given today or next Sunday. Thank you on behalf of Bridge of Hope girls—changing girls' identity one life at a time.

Next week Pastor Marilyn will be welcoming Anita Amstutz, pastor, blogger/writer/beekeeper/activist to our pulpit. This would be a great Sunday to bring that neighbor who you've befriended! It is also the first Sunday of Advent.

Our 28<sup>th</sup> year of "Search for the Christ Child" will be held at Oak Grove Mennonite Church, 7843 Smucker Rd., Smithville, OH, on Sunday, December 4, 2016 from 5:50-7:30 p.m. This is an indoor-outdoor walk through experience of what the first Christmas may have been like. Dress warmly! Handicap accessible. Admission is one article of canned food or toiletries for "People to People Ministries". Everyone is welcome.

**Central Christian School Announcements:**

- Christmas Madrigal and Feast, presented by Central Christian School Varsity Singers, Saturday, December 3 at 6:00 pm. Vocal and instrumental works will be presented in old English tradition. Drama, costumes, fanfares and delicious food will be enjoyed by all who attend. Reservations required.
- Central Christian Elementary School will present a Christmas Concert, *Christmas Hang-Ups*, on Thursday, December 8 at 7:00 pm in the Performing Arts Center.
- Central Christian High School choirs and instrumental groups will present an evening of worship at the Christmas program on Thursday, Dec. 15 at 7:00 pm in the Performing Arts Center.
- Alumni Night, December 23: Smoked Pork Dinner for all, 5 - 7pm by donation in cafeteria. Varsity girls basketball at 6pm and Varsity boys basketball at 7:30 pm vs. Mansfield Christian. All alumni get in free and will be eligible for prize drawings.
- **More info on all events: [www.ccscomets.org](http://www.ccscomets.org) or 330.857.7311**

**BACM:** Bring **Canned Ravioli, Beef Stew, Chili with meat and toothpaste and toothbrushes** for the month of November 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.

**MENNONITE MISSION PRAYER REQUEST:** Mennonite Mission Network partners Annette and Paco Castillo have created a home in Ivory Coast for child soldiers and other children who don't have a supportive family structure. Praise God for transformed lives. Pray for mentors to train life skills through mechanical trades and other apprenticeships.