

## Summit Mennonite Church

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Marilyn Rossiter, Pastor

Sunday School: 9:30 am

Stan King and Rachael Oyer, Caring Team

Worship: 10:30 am

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

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

September 11, 2016

**Focus Statement:** The parables of the lost sheep and the lost coin can represent God as the compassionate shepherd or the woman who persistently looks for the lost coin. Celebration and hospitality shown for the lost sheep and the lost coin teach much about God's grace. What is it that we have lost today? What image might Jesus use today?

### Gathering Music

**Opening Songs:** HWB 8 Brethren, we have met to worship  
HWB 70 Immortal, invisible, God only wise  
HWB 170 The King of love my shepherd is

### Welcome and Announcements

#### Call to Worship

Rachael Oyer

L: God calls to the lost, the least, and all who long for home;

**P: God calls when we wander from the path chosen for us  
and waste the gifts we have been given.**

L: God calls and welcomes us back to worship this day;

**P: let us celebrate and rejoice in God's presence forever;**

*All: let us worship God together.*

### Opening Prayer

### Offering

### Children's time

William Troyer

**Call to Prayer STJ #54** Longing for light vs. 1 and 5

### Prayer of the Day

**Scripture:** Luke 15: 1-10

**Sermon:** Mercy Meals

Marilyn Rossiter

**Song of Response** HWB 521 Come, thou fount

**Sharing of sermon responses, joys and introduction of Guests**

**Closing Song:** HWB 105 Christ, we do all adore thee

**Blessing & Postlude**



### THIS MORNING

Worship Leader: Rachael Oyer

Gathering Music: Susan Moyer and Tim Larson

Song Leader: Julia Beyeler

Greeters: Wanda & Lee Ressler

Nursery: Judy & Stan King

Worship Planners: Susan Moyer & Marilyn Rossiter

### LAST WEEK

Attendance: 46    General Offering: \$1,763

### THIS WEEK

- Sat, Sept 17, Community Pig Roast/Jim Gill concert and Sign Up for 2017 Ubuntu Gardens
- Sunday, Sept. 18- Peace Sunday--Bring a Friend

### COMING EVENTS

- Sunday, Sept. 25- Freedom Sunday-International Justice Mission followed by Potluck/shower for Coblentz-McDowells
- Sunday, Oct.2- Communion
- Oct 22: BACM Annual Dinner & Silent Auction

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

Marilyn's office hours for next week include Wednesday, noon-4, and Friday 2 - 6. Call/email/text for time with Marilyn.

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.

Council will not meet for the month of September. If you have questions or issues you wish to discuss, contact LaVerne Yousey, Stan King, Lee Ressler, Hannah Troyer, Jack and Mona Rohrer or Susan Moyer.

Have you contacted a Barberton/Norton/Akron friend to come to our Pig Roast next Saturday? And for our peace Sunday next Sunday?

We collected supplies to make 27 school kits (plus a few extra pencils and erasers), which were donated to MCC. Karen Steiner made bags for 10 school kits and \$100 was donated for additional supplies. Thanks to all who contributed to this project!

**Congratulations** to our Green Team for the huge success on the Ubuntu Community Gardens right behind our church! A fundraiser dinner is being planned for fall or winter, where we all will have opportunity to donate toward this great cause. (The next steps are creating a compost system and a rain collection system for one side of the church roof.)

The **MCC Bike Michiana** bike ride will be held Sept 17 - 18 at Amigo Center. The funds raised by this year's ride will support the work of MCC in Palestine and Israel. MCC supports the dedicated work of both Palestinians and Israelis committed to nonviolence and a future of peace, justice, and reconciliation for both peoples. For information about the ride or to make a donation to this project, please see Stan. Donations must be received by Sunday, Sept. 11.

A **baby shower** for Janine and Mike is planned for September 25, after a potluck lunch. They are registered at Amazon.com (the registry at 61 Surplus has been fulfilled). To start building Baby McDowell's library, please bring a book instead of a card.

**BACM:** Bring **instant potatoes, rice noodles, helpers and shampoo/conditioner** 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.

**MENNONITE MISSION PRAYER REQUEST:** Bishop Leonard Dow and Oxford Circle Mennonite Church in Philadelphia will host an African-American leadership gathering on Sept 16-17. Pray for the inspiration of God's Spirit as African-American Mennonite Association and Mennonite Mission Network collaborate to deepen relationships and respond to God's call to mission.