

Summit Mennonite Church

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Marilyn Rossiter, Pastor
Stan King and Rachael Oyer, Caring Team
Welcome to all visitors! May you feel at ease with us and sense the presence of God.

Sunday School: 9:30 am
Worship: 10:30 am

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

September 4, 2016

Focus Statement: In our ever-changing world, what is the cost of being a disciple? What does Christ require of us as followers? What role does joy play in living out an authentic faith?

Gathering Music Blessed are they Strings

Opening Songs: HWB 12 Come, let us all unite to sing

HWB 76 Praise, I will praise you Lord

HWB 336 When peace like a river

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship Janine Coblentz McDowell

Opening Prayer

Offering Bring BACM gifts forward singing
I Have Decided to Follow Jesus

Children's time Suzie Yoder

Call to Prayer STJ 59 Come and fill our hearts

Prayer of the Day

Scripture: Readers Theater based on Luke 14:25-33

Sermon: Faith Worth Marilyn Rossiter

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

Closing Song: HWB 540 Strong, righteous man of Galilee

Blessing & Postlude



THIS MORNING

Worship Leader: Janine Coblentz-McDowell

Gathering Music: Pam Zook

Song Leader: Hank Rossiter

Greeters: Stan and Judy King

Nursery: Deb Barry and Brenda Lowe

Worship Planners: Susan Moyer & Marilyn Rossiter

LAST WEEK

Attendance: 43 General Offering: \$1,312 MCC School Kits \$100

THIS WEEK

- Sat, Sept 10, 11 am: Memorial Service for Clare Kaufman, followed by luncheon. Calling hours 10 – 10:50 am

COMING EVENTS

- Sat, Sept 17, Community Pig Roast/Jim Gill concert and Sign Up for 2017 Ubuntu Gardens
- Sunday, Sept. 18- Peace Sunday--Bring a Friend
- 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, 1-5, Thursday 8:30-1, and Saturday. 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.

A **signup sheet** is in the kitchen to help provide meals for Heather and Jesse. Heather had minor surgery last Wednesday.

Our dear Clare Kaufman passed on to the next life on Tuesday, August 30th. Her memorial service and luncheon will be held in our sanctuary next Saturday, September 10th at 11:00 am. Calling hours will be at 10-10:50 in the foyer of our church. There will be a private committal service at Rosehill cemetery on Friday, September,9th.

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 Sept. 17 pig roast? And for our peace Sunday on the 18th?

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.

Calling all visual artists! Mennonite Church USA is looking for freelance visual artists to contribute to a paid upcoming project. E-mail Alyssa Bennett Smith at atallysabs@mennoniteusa.org if you're interested or know someone who is!

September is a good time to renew your daily practice of prayer! Find recommendations for daily devotional podcasts or emails at AnabaptistFaithFormation.org. The site is sponsored by Central Plains Mennonite Conference, an area conference of Mennonite Church USA.

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: Mennonite Mission Network requests prayer for the UK Mennonite Trust (previously the London Mennonite Centre) as it provides resources for Anabaptism in the United Kingdom. Pray for chairperson Stuart Murray Williams as he mentors the next generation of Anabaptist leaders.