

## Summit Mennonite Church

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Marilyn Rossiter, Pastor

Worship: 9:30 am

Stan King and Rachael Oyer, Caring Team

*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**

August 20, 2017

**Focus Statement:** Joseph shows us the key to being reconciled to those who have deeply hurt us, whether they are family members or friends: The key to reconciliation is your attitude and the key to your attitude is submitting yourself to the sovereign *God*.

**Opening Song:** StJ # 10 Spirit working in Creation

**Gathering Music** Tallis Canon, Thine is the Glory

### Welcome/ Call to Worship

One: God calls us in the midst of our lives;

**All: "Pause a while and know that I am God."**

One: Come, God of the Exodus, the land we seek seems far from us and the road we travel is long.

**All: "Let be and learn that I am God."**

One: Come, God of Jacob, from generation to generation, you take our brokenness and create us anew. Come, God of Joseph, you give us courage to trust in you and be transformed.

**All: In your loving embrace, heal us so that we may heal others.**

One: Almighty God, draw near to us.

**All: Breathe on us your holy calm and teach us your ways.**

One: People of God, hope in our God.

**All: Enough for us to quiet our souls, enough for us to find our path.**

~Cynthia Mason

### Opening Prayer

**New Hymn-** Let us build a house (to be included in the new 2020 hymnal)  
see insert

**Children's Song:** WHB#20 Come and See Hank Rossiter

### Children's Time/Activity

**Scripture Reading:** Genesis 45: 1-15

**Sermon:** Ready, Set, Forgive! Pastor Marilyn Rossiter

**Response Song** WHB# 545 Be Thou My Vision

**Offering and Offertory** Oh, Master, Let Me Walk With Thee

**Communion Prayer and Lord's Prayer** Pastor Marilyn

Words of Institution and distribution of the bread and the cup

Post-communion prayer

## Sharing of Joys and Concerns; Introduction of Guests/ Announcements

### Pastoral Prayer

### Commissioning for Sabbatical

L: On the seventh day God rested and celebrated all of creation. God surveyed all that God had made and said "It is good".

**C: Pastor Marilyn, we work together in ministry here at Summit, and have much to celebrate. We celebrate your encouragement, direction, and leadership in our work together as God's people in this place. Of this ministry together we sway with confidence, "It is good".**

L: We send you now on this Sabbatical journey confident that God will bless your every step, refresh your spirit, renew your mind, strengthen your body, and return you to us empowered for our continued task of ministry in Norton and Barberton and in the world.

**C: We will miss you, even as we faithfully carry out with joy and hope the ministry to which we are called. As you attend to your Sabbatical, please know that our thoughts and prayers will be with you, that we support you in every way, and that we look forward with joy to your return.**

P: I, too, look forward to that day when I will return and share in our ministry together. I will miss you as well, and I will pray for you whenever you come to mind. Thank you for creating this opportunity for a time of Sabbath rest in my ministry.

**C: Go, now, with our blessing, and with the blessing of God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.**

**Closing Benediction Song-** As you go out from here (see insert) by Bryan Moyer Suderman

### TODAY:

Worship Leader: Cynthia Mason

Song Leader: Kyle Yoder

Trumpet: Paula Vasichko

Piano: Dora Short

Greeters: Janine & Mike Coblenz-McDowel

Nursery: Wanda & Lee Ressler

Worship Planners: Cynthia Mason and Marilyn Rossiter

### LAST WEEK

Attendance: 23

General Offering: \$1,306

\$1,814 needed weekly to meet spending plan

### COMING EVENTS

Sunday, September 17: Potluck Fellowship Meal

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Marilyn will be away from Summit for sabbatical from Aug 21 to Nov 13, for a time of renewal, growth, and study. During this time, Caring Team will be available to support the congregation with care. Please contact Rachael Oyer or Stan King with concerns or needs. Mary Schwartz & Avery Zook will be providing some peripheral support for Caring Team during these months as needed. Please be respectful of Marilyn's time away and refrain from contacting her directly. We will be able to reach her for emergency needs if they arise. Thank you for supporting Marilyn in her time of sabbatical.

**Upcoming seminars to answer questions about Medicare and Social Security.** Most people approaching retirement have questions about Medicare and Social Security. Two upcoming seminars presented by Everence Financial will provide answers. *Medicare: An overview* (5:30 - 6:45 p.m.) will provide information on what's covered, the plans that supplement Medicare, and enrollment deadlines. *Social Security: An overview* (7 - 8:15 p.m.) will explain how benefits are calculated, the best time to start collecting Social Security, and about spousal benefits. The seminars will take place in Berlin (Aug. 28) at Comfort Suites Hotel, 4810 TR 366 and Kidron (Sept. 11) at Everence Financial, 4136 Kidron Road. Reservations are not required.

**BACM:** Bring **Canned Ravioli/Beef Stew/Chili w/meat and Feminine Hygiene Products** for the month of **August** and drop into the box by our white giving tree.

**MENNONITE MISSION NETWORK PRAYER REQUEST:** Dan and Kathryn Smith Derksen and their sons spent July in North America speaking on behalf of MMN. Pray for them as they return to South Africa, working with Southern African Development and Reconstruction Agency to achieve 2020 vision: 20 trained conflict mediators in 20 communities by 2020.

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