

## 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**

Service for August 6, 2017

**Focus Statement** The way to blessing is not through scheming, but through surrender and trust . And that starts with prayer. The wrestling is where the blessing begins.

**Gathering Music**

William Troyer

**Welcome**

**Call to Worship –**

**L:** Holy, holy, holy is the Lord. The Lord is holy in all his ways.

**P: God is holy, enthroned on the praises of his people.**

**Praise the Lord our God; holy is he.**

**L:** God has called us with a holy calling, to be holy and blameless before him in love, not because of what we have done, but because of his own purpose and grace.

**P:** As God who called us is holy, we ourselves must be holy in all conduct, for it is written, “You shall be holy, for I am holy.”

**ALL:** Holy, holy, holy, the Lord God the Almighty, who was and is, and is to come.

**Opening Prayer**

**Songs:** WHB# 120 Holy, holy, holy

WHB# 19 Open now the gates of beauty

**Children’s Time/Activity**

Julia Beyeler

**Scripture: Genesis 32:22-31**

**Sermon** Limp Blessings

**Response Song** SJ# 46 Breath on me, O breath of God

**Offering and Offertory**

**Sharing of Joys and Concerns; Introduction of Guests**

**Pastoral Prayer**

**Announcements**

**Closing Benediction** SJ# 73 The Lord lift you up

**TODAY:**

Worship Leader: LaVerne Yousey

Song Leader: Hank Rossiter

Piano: William Troyer and Marilyn Rossiter

Greeters: Judy & Stan King

Nursery: Viv Jaberg & Karen Steiner

Worship Planners: LaVerne Yousey and Marilyn Rossiter

**LAST WEEK**

Attendance: 33

General Offering: \$1,440.29

\$1,814 needed weekly to meet spending plan

**COMING EVENTS**

Tuesday, Aug 15, 6:45: Church Council meets

Sunday, Aug 20: Back to School Day, including a potluck

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Marilyn will be in the office Wednesday from 9 – 1, and Saturday from 9 - 12. She may also be reached by phone at other times.

We are in need of **Sunday School teachers** for this quarter. If you would be interested in teaching for the fall quarter, please see Julia, Susan, or Marilyn. We also need a person who could be a helper or substitute for two classes: ages 3-K and grades 1-6.

Please see Marilyn if you are willing to be involved in the network of sanctuary churches. Several meetings have already happened and there will be a workshop on Sat Sept 30 in Canton. Save this date if God has called you into this area of service. The base of this new group (East, Central, Ohio Sanctuary Network) are 9 Ohio Conference Mennonite churches, but the group also includes Methodist, Presbyterian and Unitarian churches.

Per Marilyn's contract with Summit Mennonite she is advised to take a sabbatical, an intentional time away from her pastoral position, during her fourth year of ministry with us. Caring Team and Marilyn have been in conversation about a sabbatical that would offer Marilyn a mix of renewal, growth, and study. To that end, Marilyn will be taking a three month sabbatical from August 21 to November 13, in which she will spend some time with family, travel, read, journal, and attend some trainings and workshops. Caring Team is working on ways to support the church with pastoral care during this time and will communicate about who is available in this way come August. Please contact Stan or Rachael with any questions. Thank you.

Sunday, Aug 20 please plan to stay and share in a **back-to-school themed potluck**. There will be a sign-up sheet in the kitchen.

**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 (white tree at sanctuary entrance).