

## Summit Mennonite Church

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Marilyn Rossiter, Pastor

Stan King and Rachael Oyer, Caring Team

Worship: 9:30 am

Sunday School: 10.45 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**

October 8, 2017

### Meditation

“Here we are, ordinary people,  
Called to be the Holy People of God.  
If you have eyes to see and ears to hear,  
See and hear God’s holiness in your life.”  
-Ann Weems, *Searching for Shalom*

### Gathering Music

#### Welcome & Call to Worship:

One: We gather this day to seek peace,  
A peace that surpasses understanding

**All: Come, Christ Jesus, be our guest.  
Open our hearts to receive your Word,  
Bind our wounds and bring us peace.**

One: We gather in spite of many a conflict, many a doubt,  
Longing for the breath of God to  
Give us hope that dawn is coming.

**ALL: Come, Great Spirit, be our guest.  
Inspire us with hope and renew our spirits  
as only you can, we pray, Amen.**

### Opening Prayer

Hymn: HWB #521 Come, thou fount  
STJ #32 If you believe and I believe

### Children’s Time

Paula Gill

Scripture: Exodus 19: 4-9

Message: Finding God in the Darkness

Cynthia Mason

### Reflection and Prayer

Hymn: HWB #352 Gentle Shepherd

### Offering and Offertory

### Introduction of Guests and Announcements

### Sharing of Joys and Concerns

### Pastoral Prayer

Hymn: HWB #545 Be thou my vision

### Benediction

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### TODAY:

Worship Leader: Rachael Oyer

Song Leader: Viv Jaberg

Pianist: Susan Moyer

Greeters: Tim and Cindy Larson

Nursery: Karen Steiner & Cindy Larson

Worship Planners: Cynthia Mason and Susan Moyer

### LAST WEEK

Attendance: 20

General Offering: \$910

\$1,814 needed weekly to meet spending plan

### COMING EVENTS

Tuesday, Oct 10, 6:45: Church Council meets

Sunday, Oct 29: Birthday Potluck

### 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.

**MCC responds to Hurricane Irma damage in Cuba and Haiti:** Hurricane Irma tore roofs from houses in Cuba and dashed houses to the ground. In Haiti, Irma's rain turned into flash floods that rushed into houses and caused families to escape in waist-high water. In both countries, crops, gardens and livestock were destroyed. Your gift to Mennonite Central Committee helps people in Cuba to rebuild and people in Haiti to recover. You can donate online at [donate.mcc.org/cause/hurricane-irma-response](http://donate.mcc.org/cause/hurricane-irma-response). Contributions can also be made by calling 1-888-563-4676 or sending a check to MCC, 21 S. 12th St., PO Box 500, Akron, PA 17501.

**MCC Alumni & Friends Gathering:** As alumni or interested friends of Mennonite Central Committee, you are warmly invited to join us for an MCC

Alumni and Friends International Potluck at 6:00 pm on Sunday, October 15, at Millersburg Mennonite Church, 288 E Jackson St., in Millersburg. Special guest speaker will be Cesar Flores, current MCC Area Director for Central America and Haiti. Please RSVP at 574-312-0330 or to [jsteiner@mcc.org](mailto:jsteiner@mcc.org).

Your local Everence office will provide information about **Medicare** and **Social Security** at free evening seminars on Oct 2<sup>nd</sup> & Nov 6<sup>th</sup> (Mondays) for the fall season. The seminars will be held at Everence Financial, 1221 W. Maple St., Hartsville. The Medicare seminar will include what Medicare covers, the differences between plans that supplement Medicare, and enrollment deadlines. The Social Security seminar will cover how benefits are calculated and the best time to start collecting them. There also will be time for questions from the audience. To reserve your spot, contact Jean Bontrager at (330) 877-6066 or email [jean.bontrager@everence.com](mailto:jean.bontrager@everence.com).

#### **News from Central Christian School**

Central Christian School's Prelude and Dessert Concert: Friday, October 13 at 7:00 pm in the Performing Arts Center. This concert will be live-streamed for family and friends who are unable to attend.

On October 20, over 250 students and staff will serve in more than 20 nonprofit locations, as a reminder of our calling to serve one another in love. Students will begin calling to secure sponsors for their service on October 2. If you would like to sponsor a student for their service and support Central's ministry, please send contributions to Central marked CSD 2017 or visit [www.ccscomets.org/GiveToCentral](http://www.ccscomets.org/GiveToCentral) to make a donation. Donations are due by November 3. Thank you for your generous support of our student service fundraiser.

**BACM:** Bring **Peanut Butter and Toilet Paper** for the month of October and drop into the box by our white giving tree.

**MENNONITE MISSION NETWORK PRAYER REQUEST:** Staff from DOOR, a Mennonite Mission Network partner that provides service opportunities, are traveling to Austin, Texas, for a gathering that starts tomorrow. Pray for them as they fellowship, share best practices, and prepare for the future.