

Summit Mennonite Church

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We follow Christ, offering healing and hope as we serve our neighbors in need
Marilyn Rossiter, Pastor
Stan King and Mary Schwartz, Caring Team
Sunday School: 9:30 am
Worship: 10:30 am
If you are a visitor this morning, we welcome you to our worship service! We hope that you feel at ease with us and sense the presence of God. We invite you to sign our Oguest book in the foyer.

Childcare during worship is available for infants and toddlers (generally ages three and under) in the nursery through the back doors of the sanctuary. Children's bulletins and toys are available at the sanctuary entrance.

September 7, 2014

GATHERING

Prelude Susan Moyer/Tim Larson

Welcome and Invocation William Troyer

Call to Worship

Leader: Our God, we gather to worship you,
the One who creates all things.

People: For the gift of creation, we give thanks.

Leader: We gather to worship you, the One committed to us
through a love that never ends.

People: For the gift of reconciliation, we give thanks.

Leader: We gather to worship you, the One who continually
seeks us by the Spirit.

People: For the gift of your presence, we give thanks.

Leader: We bring to you the offerings of our commitment –
thanks, praise, and awe are our gifts of love.

**All: We gather to worship you, Trinity of love: God
above us, God beside us, God beneath us; the
Beginning, the End, the Everlasting One. Amen.**

Singing: HWB# 181 My Soul Proclaims with Wonder Julia Beyeler

Focus Statement: Whatever we commit ourselves to in this life,
there is a spiritual component to that commitment. It impacts
us at the deepest levels, at a soul level.

Singing: SJ# 78 We Will Walk With God

Prayer: (with sung response) #596

Leader: O God, we confess that we are discouraged with all the
terror we hear about in our world, in our nation, even in our
neighborhoods and homes. We confess that we forget your
promise to always be present. We ask, "Where is God?" in
Afghanistan, in Iraq, in Syria, in Liberia- in all of the bad

news we hear every day. We ask, "Have you forgotten your
covenant with us, or are we listening to the news with worldly
ears?"

**People: Forgive us, Lord. May we be instruments of healing
in the strife, either by prayer or by presence. We rest in
your mercy alone, O God, pondering your magnificent
ways.**

Hymn - HWB#596 And I will Raise You Up

Verse 1, refrain, verse 2, refrain, coda.

Leader: There is no one like you. You hide me from the storms of
life, from every falsehood. You protect me from strongholds
and those who would hunt me for prey.

**People: In You, I am free and secure. You constantly call out
your covenant to me. I will answer with a song, as your
arm protects me and keeps me in your dwelling place
forever.**

HEARING GOD

Children's Time: "The Oak & the Squirrel" Mona Rohrer

Offering

Hymn SJ#27 God of the Bible

Scripture: Genesis 17: 1-10; 15-16; Jeremiah 31: 33

Message: Covenant: a living, breathing thing Pastor Marilyn

RESPONDING

Song of Response HWB# 163 Obey My Voice

Announcements

Sharing joys/ concerns/ responses

Prayers for the people

SENDING

Singing: HWB# 596 And I will Raise You Up

Benediction

And now, as you go from this place, remember the covenant that
you made and renewed; the covenant you have made with God;
with yourself; with one another; and will all of creation. Go in
that memory. Go in peace.



Food Donations for BACM for Sept: canned meat; tuna, beef stew &
canned ravioli

Greeter: Mona & Jack Rohrer

Worship Planners: Wanda & Lee Ressler

Nursery: Mona Rohrer

LAST WEEK

Attendance: 48 General Offering: \$883 Liberia: \$15 School kits: \$15

NEXT WEEK

Sat, Sept 13 – Pig Roast Set up at 1:30 pm

COMING EVENTS

Sun, Sept 21: Potluck, followed by Congregational meeting

Sept 19-21: Women's Retreat at Camp Luz - Marilyn leading
worship. See brochure in your mailbox.

Sept 26: Family Promise rotation

Sun, Sept. 28th- Ted Schwartz and "Listening for Grace"

Sat, Oct 4: Young Women's Day Out (babysitting provided)

Sun, October 5- Membership Sunday. Persons desiring to join by letter
of transfer or by confession of faith should see Pastor Marilyn.

Oct 18: BACM Fundraiser Dinner & Silent Auction

Fri, Oct 31 – Sat, Nov 1: Church Retreat at Villa Maria

July 18-19, 2015: Summit's 50th Anniversary celebration

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Church Council has requested a Congregational meeting September 21, 2014 after our church service. In this meeting we will discuss the parking lot and driveway proposal, go over the contractor bids, approve one of the bids, approve financing for the project, and discuss tree removal prior to starting the project. A potluck meal will precede the meeting.

For the Pig Roast next Saturday (Sept 13) Roberta has scheduled a special puppet show for the kids (and adults). The person doing the show does not charge a fee, but instead accepts a love offering. Since this is promoted as a free event we will take a special offering today instead of passing the offering plate during the puppet show. You can designate an amount on your check, if you want.

The **MCC Bike Michiana** ride will take place from Sept. 19 - 21 at Amigo Center. The Project this year is Providing Hope by Providing Clean Water. For more information about participating or donating see Stan. 100% of your donation will go to MCC for this project.

"Ted Swartz's newest show, Listening for Grace, is coming to Wooster Mennonite Church (1563 Beall Ave) Wooster, OH on Sunday, September 28 at 6:00 pm. Admission is free. There will be an offering taken to offset costs. Reservations required - seating is limited. Contact person for reservations: Brenda Troyer, jefftroyr@sssnet.com, 330-464-6264. When making a reservation, please include: Your name, Number of seats needed, Contact information (phone or email)

BACM: Bring canned meat - tuna, beef stew, canned ravioli 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.

MISSION NETWORK PRAYER REQUEST: Moriah Hurst of Mennonite Mission Network is assuming more responsibility in the community development training program of Praxis, where she teaches in Australia. Pray that God will grant energy and wisdom to Moriah. Pray also for some of her students who are facing major mental health issues.

REMEMBER IN PRAISE & PRAYER:

- For Neil and Molly as they have had a successful and happy beginning of school at Hiram and Goshen.
- Liberia and all West Africans and health care workers dealing with the Ebola virus.
- Upcoming Church Retreat: Villa Maria Catholic Retreat Center in PA. Friday, Oct.31-Sat., Nov.1- leaving between 5and 6pm and getting back same time next day
- Pig Roast this Saturday, September 13th. Bring friends, children, and donations.
- Remember to sign up for the women's retreat at Camp Luz or call Marilyn about it.
- Discernment for Hank as he considers helping Doctors Without Borders in Liberia in a short-term mission
- Clare facing recurring health concerns, undergoing chemo
- Wannee's friend Brian, who suffered a stroke
- Cheryl Alexander suffered injury