Summit Mennonite Church

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Marilyn Rossiter, Pastor

Worship: 9:30 am

Stan King and Mary Schwartz, Caring Team

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

August 26, 2018

Focus Statement: School is the start of a lifelong journey of learning! As well, we are called to be students of Jesus Christ, the Divine Teacher. As we harvest a summer of fun and memories, may they bring us a crop of loving fruitfulness this fall. How can we learn how to become more like children with eyes to see and ears to hear the wisdom of God?

Centering Bell/Gathering Music Lighting of Peace Lamp

Opening Song: HWB #89 For the beauty of the earth

Welcome/Call to Worship

One: We trust in the Lord with our whole hearts,

All: And we lean not on our own understanding.

One: In all ways, acknowledge the wisdom of your Maker,

And God will reveal your path.

All: Come let us worship God, the Creator, Christ, the Great Teacher,

And the Holy Spirit, three-in-one. Amen.

Opening Prayer Attributed to Native American Tradition

Songs: SJ #90 Lord, we bring to you our children SJ #95I want to walk as a child of the light

Children's Time SS #47 "Let the Children Come to me"

Presentation of First Grade Bibles Pastor Marilyn

Amelia Yoder, Michael Shadrach

Scripture Reading Ephesians 4:1-16

Message Grace to Grow Cynthia Mason

Offering & Offertory The Mind is a Garden Hank Rossiter

Sharing of Joys and Concerns; Introduction of Guests
Honoring Teachers and Prayer of Dedication
Congregational Prayer-- Planting our hopes, burying our fears

Announcements
Closing Hymn SS#116 Tree Song (children – bells on chorus)
Benediction

TODAY:

Worship Leader: Rachael Oyer Song Leader: Kyle Yoder

Pianist: Marilyn Rossiter & William Troyer

Greeters: Mona & Jack Rohrer Nursery: Karen Steiner & Viv Jaberg

Worship Planners: LaVerne Yousey & Marilyn Rossiter

LAST WEEK

Attendance: 37 General Offering: \$247 Filemon Scooter \$9

\$1,814 needed weekly to meet spending plan

THIS WEEK

Today: Back to School Day, Potluck

COMING EVENTS

Sunday, September 16 (third Sunday): Potluck

Saturday, Oct 6, 3pm at Firestone Stadium: Family Promise Box City **Sunday, October 7, 10:30:** World-Wide Communion Day Worship at Central Christian School with Congolese Community Church of Akron

Saturday, Oct 20, 4:30 – 6:30pm: 20th Annual BACM Dinner & Silent Auction

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Marilyn's office hours next week will be Wed. 10-1 and Sat. 10-12. Marilyn will be doing a mission training in Mansfield on Tuesday, 9-1 and will be off on Friday. She is available on other days at your convenience. Text or call for a time.

This is such a caring community of Christ-followers. Thanks to all for your prayers, cards, flowers, and visits. I am truly blessed. Healing is continuing and I am beginning to see clearly now. (Isn't that a song?) Much love, ~ Pastor Marilyn

MARK YOUR CALENDARS! Exciting news! This October 7th, World-wide Communion Day, we will get the opportunity to worship with the Congolese Community Church of Akron! This is the recently settled group of refugees numbering over a hundred who identify as Mennonite. To accommodate them and the five smaller churches from the Orrville area (including us), we will plan to meet at Central Christian High School in Kidron at 10:30. More exciting details to follow. Transportation will be worked out, and more!

The MCC Bike Michiana bike ride is being held Sept 14 - 16. This year the funds will go to support MCC's project in Nepal. MCC's partnering organization, Brethren in Community Welfare Society (BICWS) works at providing education, peace training, and livelihood support to poor and marginalized communities in the far southeast of Nepal. For more information or to support this event, please see Stan.

Notebooks and pencils are treasures for families who struggle to afford basic school supplies. We are collecting supplies for school kits which will be sent to MCC (Mennonite Central Committee). School kits often are requested after disasters and help bring normalcy to children whose families have been forced to flee their homes. Bring the items for school kits to the church by September 16 and put them under the Giving Tree.

Contents for School Kits (NEW items only)

- 4 spiral or perforated-pages notebooks (8.5 in x 10.5 in and 70 sheets)
- 8 new unsharpened pencils
- 1 ruler (flat, good quality; must indicate 30 cm; inch markings optional)
- 12 colored pencils (in packaging)
- 1 large eraser
- 2 new black or blue ballpoint pens
- 1 small metal pencil sharpener (one or two holes)

BACM: Bring **Hot breakfast items (Oatmeal, Pancake mix) & Shampoo/Conditioner** for the month of **August** and drop into the box by our white giving tree. Always accepted are Styrofoam and cardboard egg cartons, clean plastic grocery bags and travel sized toiletries.

MENNONITE MISSION NETWORK PRAYER REQUEST: Paul and Serena Manickam of Mennonite Mission Network, along with two Colombian missionary families, work with the Iquitos Mennonite Church in Peru to offer a children's ministry, education, and gardening. Pray for grace and wisdom as this cross-cultural team responds to God's call to make earth more like heaven.