

[Summit Mennonite Church

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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

Worship: 9:30 am

Sunday school: 10:45 am

Peace Sunday, September 23, 2018

Focus Statement: Peace in our day seems distant and impossible in the world, but not so for Christ-followers. Through Christ we are made one, a new humanity where all belong. Our response to this is to love one another and care for each other regardless of our differences.

Centering Bell/Gathering Music

Lighting of Peace Lamp

Welcome/Call to Worship- WHB# 683

Opening Prayer

Songs: WHB #407 We are people of God's peace
WHB #411 I bind my heart this tide

Children's Time

Cynthia Mason

Scripture Reading Matthew 25: 31-46

Sermon Making Strangers Friends Pastor Marilyn Rossiter

Hymn of Response WHB#322 For We are Strangers No More

Responsive Reading (James 3: 13-18)

Offering and Offertory Jesus, Help us live in peace

Sharing of Joys and Concerns; Introduction of Guests

Congregational Prayer

Announcements

Words to Go By

One: Jesus taught us to speak of hope as the coming of God's kingdom.

**ALL: We believe that God is at work in our world,
turning hopeless and evil situations into good.**

**We believe that goodness and justice and love will triumph
in the end and that tyranny and oppression cannot last forever.**

**One day all tears will be wiped away; the lamb will lie down
with the lion, and justice will roll down like a mighty stream.**

One: True peace and true reconciliation are not only desired,
they are assured and guaranteed in Christ.

ALL: This is our faith. This is our hope.

Hymn of Benediction WHB #429 Go now in peace

TODAY:

Worship Leader: Avery Zook

Song Leader: Kyle Yoder

Pianist: Susan Moyer

Greeters: Roberta Wright & Phil Moyer

Nursery: Cindy & Tim Larson

Worship Planners: Cynthia Mason & Marilyn Rossiter

LAST WEEK

Attendance: 38

General Offering: \$1,981

School Kits \$50 Peace Garden \$150

\$1,814 needed weekly to meet spending plan

THIS WEEK

September 30 Daniel 10- Someone is fighting for you- musical meditation

COMING EVENTS

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 – 8 congregations participating

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

Auction

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Next week, Marilyn's Summit office hours will be Wednesday from noon to three and Thursday, 1-4. She is available on other days at your convenience. Text or call for a time. Her day off next week will be Friday. She will also be directing the "English" Mennonite choir rehearsal Sunday evening 6-7:30 at Orrville Mennonite. We'll be singing "He Never Failed Me Yet" and practicing several other pieces for the World Communion Sunday. You don't have to be a great singer; you just need to love to sing!

Please be sure that the outside door is locked if you visit the church during the week, or if you are the last one to leave on Sundays. Thank you.

Thanks to all who helped in any way in refurbishing the pastor's office. My prayer is that this space would draw others to Christ and to one another.

Heather Tentler needs a ride to her wrist doctor on September 28@3:45. Email her/me if this works. Her subsequent appointment will be at 11:00 in Akron on October 12. Thank you.

Volunteer tasks for October World Communion Sunday will be assigned and coordinated through www.signupgenius.com. Date(s) for volunteer meeting will be found through doodle.com.

Join in celebrating World Communion Sunday on October 7th at 10:30 am at Central Christian School. This special worship service is a partnership of Mennonite churches in the area including Swahili Community Church of Akron, a Congolese Mennonite congregation. The event will include prayer, scripture, communion, and worship offerings from the Salem Mennonite dance group, Congolese Swahili choir, and combined traditional choir. Translation will be provided. After the service we will gather around tables for a shared meal and fellowship at Central Christian School. Volunteers are needed for the following: greeters, ushers, nursery care, parking attendants, setup crew, cleanup crew, and choir members. A volunteer meeting and choir practice will take place on Sunday, September 30th from 6-7:30 pm at Orrville Mennonite Church. Please sign up on the volunteer sheet posted at your church if you are able to help.

Central Christian School's Prelude and Dessert Concert: Friday, Oct 12 at 7 pm in the Performing Arts Center. This concert will be live-streamed for family and friends who are unable to attend. Visit www.ccscomets.org for details.

Community Service Day (CSD) On Oct 19, over 225 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 Oct 2. If you would like to sponsor a student for their service and support Central's ministry, please send contributions to Central marked CSD 2018 or visit www.ccscomets.org/GiveToCentral to donate. Contributions are due by Nov 2.

BACM: Bring **Pasta (spaghetti, rigatoni, elbow macaroni etc) & Shampoo/Conditioner** for the month of **September** 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: Martine Audéoud, Gary Wittig, and their son, Samuel, have made their home in France to care for Martine's father. Pray for Gary and Samuel as they adjust to a new culture, and for Martine as she serves with Mennonite Mission Network as a seminary teacher in Ivory Coast.