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

October 21, 2018

Focus Statement: Every church has a culture. Summit is no different. Sometimes, however, we cannot see it because we are in it. What is our culture? What would change our culture to a more faithful one in our following Jesus? Perhaps we need a spark, to change this culture.

Centering Bell/Gathering Music Lighting of Peace Lamp

Welcome/Call to Worship

*Response: We are God's people. Can we claim it?

ALL: Let us open our hearts and lives to God's transforming

power. May God be praised in our worship. Amen.

Opening Prayer

Song WHB# 418 Move in our Midst

Children's Time Hank Rossiter

Prayer of confession/ words of assurance

God in Christ,

who endured the cross in your own flesh for our sakes,

hear us as we confess our sin.

We would be your bold disciples, but we fear suffering;

we would carry our cross, but it weighs too heavily.

We count the cost of following you—as long as there are benefits;

but to renounce all we have is a devastating prospect.

Forgive the conditions we make when we try to obey,

and free us by your grace to forsake all and follow you.

~ written by James G. Kirk, in When We Gather: A Book of Prayers for Worship

Scripture Reading Matthew 28:19; 2 Timothy 2:2; Luke 14: 25-30

Sermon: Jesus During the Week: Culture of Multiplicity Pastor Marilyn

Response Song: STJ# 86 Taste and See

Offering and Offertory: People Need the Lord

Sharing of Joys and Concerns; Introduction of Guests

Congregational Prayer

Announcements

Hymn of Blessing-STJ# 87 Put Peace into each other's hands (vs. 1, 3, 5)

TODAY:

Worship Leader: LaVerne Yousey

Song Leader: Pam Zook Pianist: Dora Short

Greeters: Mona & Jack Rohrer

Nursery: Roberta & Annabella Wright

Worship Planners: Hank & Marilyn Rossiter

LAST WEEK

Attendance: 46 General Offering: \$2,271

\$1,814 needed weekly to meet spending plan

THIS WEEK

Today: Birthday Potluck Fellowship Meal

Fri-Sun, Oct 26-28: Summit involvement in Family Promise

Sunday, Oct 28: Heritage Sunday

COMING EVENTS

Sunday, Nov 4: Dedication of Peace Garden/Congregational Gifts

Discernment Meeting (no Sunday School)

Sunday, Nov 18: Thanksgiving Meal

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Next week, Marilyn's hours at Summit will be Tuesday & Wednesday. She is available on other days at your convenience. Call or text for a time to meet.

If you would like to babysit a darling two-year-old or if you know of anyone that would be available, please let Heather or Jesse know.

Camp Luz will be hosting a Fall Fest Fundraiser TODAY. Activities start at 3pm and include a trail trek, craft project, cider press, and hayrides. A pulled pork dinner (by donation) and *Honeytown* concert begin at 5pm and will pause around 6:15 for a pie auction. All proceeds support the ministry of Camp Luz.

Family Promise is holding their next volunteer training session on Thursday, Oct 25. at 5:30 PM. If you are interested in volunteering with Family Promise, are a current volunteer and want a refresher, or are just interested in learning more about the Family Promise program please let us know.

MennoMedia needs your help to make the new Voices Together hymnal a reality by Fall 2020. Before any copies of Voices Together are sold, MennoMedia will invest more than \$700,000. Everence and Mennonite Central Committee U.S. have issued a matching grant challenge of up to \$100,000 to help MennoMedia in this final fund-raising effort. Help ensure that Voices Together will be affordably priced for congregations. Make a gift today and have it doubled! Give at VoicesTogetherHymnal.org. Every voice matters. Every dollar counts.

Healthy conversations workshop: We are immersed in a culture that is more polarized every day, and we are told that the best way out of conflict is to fight (and win). There is another option, though. Join Sonnenberg Mennonite in Kidron for a weekend workshop on November 9-10 learning about and practicing healthy dialogue. The workshop will be led by Jes Stoltzfus Buller, Mennonite Central Committee Peace Education Coordinator. For more information or to RSVP for this free event, call 330-857-8222 or sonnenbergmc@embarqmail.com.

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 Gathering at 7:00 p.m. on Friday, November 2, at Maple Grove Mennonite Church (2121 Smith Kramer St. NE) in Hartville. Special guest speakers will be Rebecca Burkholder and Blaine Derstine, MCC Area Directors for Central Southern and Northeast Asia, who will share about breaking down walls and working across divides to build peace in Asia. For more information, contact Sarah Geiser at SarahGeiser@mcc.org or 330-201-4515.

BACM: Bring **Canned Ravioli/Beef Stew/Chili/meat & Shampoo/Conditioner** for the month of **October** 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: Mennonite Mission Network's Journey International program has participants in Benin, Requiyah Johnson, and in Ecuador, Maura Longenecker and Samantha Miller. Pray for these three young women as they adapt to new cultures, languages and communities. May God use their gifts to build the global church.