

Summit Mennonite Church

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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

February 24, 2019

Focus Statement: The invitation of Jesus to the wealthy young man was a call to freedom, to give up the “religion of money” that had kept him in chains, – in exchange for the “religion of Jesus” that would set him free. That same call to freedom is constantly being offered to all of us. Whatever it is that holds you captive, ask God to give you the wisdom to recognize it and the strength to let it go.

Centering Bell/Gathering Music

Welcome & Call to Worship

L: It was easy to come to worship this morning.

P: We feel welcome and look forward to the worship service.

L: How hard it is to enter God’s kingdom.

P: We have to be ready to let go of the things that tie us down.

L: Get ready. God is waiting for you.

P: Open our hearts and our spirits, Lord, to receive your word for us.

Opening Prayer

Song HWB 26 Holy Spirit, come with power

HWB 59 Sing praise to God who reigns

Children’s Time

Mark Gerber

Scripture Mark 10: 17-27

Sermon The Eye of the Needle

Pastor Marilyn Rossiter

Song HWB 536 Take up your cross

Offering

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Congregational Prayer

Introduction of guests; Announcements

Song HWB 546 Guide my feet

Benediction

TODAY

Worship Leader: Avery Zook

Song Leader: Mark Gerber

Piano: Pam Zook

Nursery: Judy & Stan King

Greeter: Deb Barry

Worship Planners: Susan Moyer & Marilyn Rossiter

LAST WEEK

Attendance: 32

General Offering: \$997

\$1,905 needed weekly to meet spending plan

THIS WEEK

- **The leaders of the Akron Swahili Community Church** would like to invite us to worship with them on **today**. Rollin, translator suggested that we arrive at the worship service at 1:30pm and to plan on being there until 5pm.

NEXT WEEK

- **Wed, Feb 27, 7pm:** Dismantling the Doctrine of Discovery class at First Menn
- **Thurs, Feb 28, 6pm:** Fundraiser for Ethan Horst: Euchre Tournament and 50/50 raffle at Ignite Brewing Co, 600 W Tuscarawas St, Barberton

COMING EVENTS

- **March 6, 7pm: Joint Ash Wednesday service** with First, at Summit
- **Sat, March 9:** Central Christian School Annual auction
<http://www.cscscomets.org/auction2019>
- **March 9 – 10, Missional Conference:** From Jerusalem to Antioch All are invited to this event, 6:30pm the 9th through noon on Friday, the 10th. Consider attending! Scholarships available. (\$45 for visitors, \$25 for delegates). Registration required at Salem Mennonite Church, Kidron.
- **Wed, March 13, 7pm:** Dismantling the Doctrine of Discovery class at First Menn
- **Sun, March 17, 6:30pm:** Ohio Mennonite Relief Sale Kick-Off Meeting/Dinner
- **Sun, March 17:** Fellowship Potluck
- **Sun, March 17:** Secret Sister Reveal during Potluck
- **Wed, March 20, 7pm:** Dismantling the Doctrine of Discovery class at First Menn
- **Wed, March 27, 7pm:** Dismantling the Doctrine of Discovery class at First Menn
- **Wed, April 3, 7pm:** Dismantling the Doctrine of Discovery class at First Menn

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Marilyn will be available all next week by phone, text or email, but will not be in the Summit office

Lenten Home Devotions: The theme and Scriptures in the Lent At Home materials are based on the congregational worship materials published in Leader magazine by MennoMedia. For each week, the At Home resource offers meditations, pondering thoughts, scriptures, songs, prayers and creative activities for children, families or personal/group devotions. This resource comes from our Mennonite friends in Canada and is called **Lenten Guided Prayer 2019: Grit and Grace**. If you’d like a copy, see Marilyn.

SEE FRANK if you would like a **free subscription** to Mennonite World Review, if you don't currently receive it. This is a \$54 free gift! Go for it.

We are grateful for your generous support of the work of Mennonite Central Committee, as we provide hope, healing and comfort around the world in the name of Christ. Thank you, friends and supporters at Summit Mennonite Church, for the ways you contribute to the work of MCC through volunteering time, creativity and energy at thrift shops, relief sales, meat canning and in assembling material resource kits. We were also blessed by your financial support of \$635 in 2018. Keep us in your prayers, and we collaborate with our 508 partners in 57 countries who are sharing God's love and compassion through relief, development and peace in the name of Christ. To read about specific partners and projects, please visit mcc.org! With sincere thanks, Sarah Geiser, MCC Great Lakes

Interested in a church mission project this summer? There is a clipboard at the entrance to the sanctuary to gauge interest in volunteering with SWAP in Kentucky OR Habitat for Humanity in Summit county, along with a short description of each project. Check it out!

Everence will hold a **webinar on Social Security** and retirement income planning on **Tue, Feb. 26, at 2 and 8 p.m.** Specifics will include the best time to start taking Social Security, how benefits are calculated, spousal benefits, converting your retirement savings into retirement income and strategies to help your income last throughout retirement. To register, visit www.everence.com/retirementincome or contact Valerie Diaz at (800) 222-5054 ext. 3349 or valerie.diaz@everence.com.

BACM: Bring **Spaghetti Sauce & Deodorant** for the month of **March**. Always accepted are Styrofoam and cardboard egg cartons, clean plastic grocery bags and travel sized toiletries.