

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

April 7, 2019

Focus Statement: When we are exhausted, God makes a way through mighty waters. We move forward in hope as God does a new thing.

Centering Bell/Gathering Music

Lighting of the Peace Lamp

Welcome & Call to Worship

Leader: When we pass through the waters,

People: God is there with us.

Leader: When we suffer and feel hopeless,

People: God is there with us.

Leader: When we are joyful and exuberant,

People: God is there with us.

Leader: Whether we feel triumphant or defeated,

People: God is there with us, always.

Leader: Come; let us worship together with Emmanuel,

All: God with us.

Opening Prayer

Song: HWB #99 We Praise Thee, O God

STS #31 Jesus, Be the Center

Children's Time

Cindy Larson

Scripture Isaiah 43:16-21

Meditation God makes A Way

Marilyn Rossiter

Song of Response: STS #124 My Soul Cries Out

Confession and reconciliation

Leader: *(Isaiah 43:16-21)* "Thus says the Lord, who makes a way in the sea, a path in the mighty waters, who brings out chariot and horse, army and warrior; they lie down, they cannot rise, they are extinguished, quenched like a wick: Do not remember the former things, or consider the things of old. I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert. The wild animals will honor me, the jackals and the ostriches; for I give water in the wilderness, rivers in the desert, to give drink to my chosen people, the people whom I formed for myself so that they might declare my praise. " Who will see the new work of God?"

Jack and Mona Rohrer: We will see the new work of God.

Leader: We are all invited to see the new work of God. Let us bring ourselves to God in prayer.

All: God of hope, give us eyes to see the new work you are doing among us. When we struggle to discern what lies ahead, we will see the new work of God.

Leader: When our circumstances appear to hold no hope, we will see the new work of God. When our souls hunger for your presence, we will see the new work of God.

All: In the morning and in the evening, we will see the new work of God

Leader: Our generous God provides for us.

Offering

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Congregational Prayer

Introduction of guests; Announcements

Song: HWB #575 Precious Lord, Take My Hand
Sending

TODAY

Worship Leader: LaVerne Yousey

Song Leader: Hank Rossiter

Piano: Pam Zook

Nursery: Viv Jaberg & Mona Rohrer

Greeter: Stan King

Worship Planners: Susan Moyer & Marilyn Rossiter

LAST WEEK

Attendance: 40

General Offering: \$1,515

\$1,905 needed weekly to meet spending plan

THIS WEEK

- **Today** Tenebrae Choir after church in sanctuary (fifteen minutes)
- **Friday, April 12:** Family Promise

COMING EVENTS

- **Thursday, April 18, 7pm:** Musical Tenebrae Service and Communion here
- **Sun, April 21, 9:30:** Easter Brunch followed by worship service (no Sunday school)
- **Sun, April 21:** Secret Sister Reveal
- **April 24 & 26, 9-3:30** Habitat for Humanity Service Project
- **May 1, 3, & 4:** Habitat for Humanity Service Project

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Marilyn will be available all next week by phone, text or email, and will be in the office Monday, April 8, 1-4 and Tuesday, April 9, 12:30-2. (Monday is usually Marilyn's day off, but she is working next Monday, since she and Hank will be in Athens from Wed-Friday).

The **Guns to Garden Tools** Tour Is Coming Close! On Tue, April 16, from 6:30 PM – 8:30 PM at Pilgrim Congregational United Church of Christ, 2592 W 14th St, Cleveland, OH 44113. Can we get a carload from Summit to go?

Most people approaching retirement have questions about Medicare and Social Security. Two upcoming workshops presented by Everence® Financial on Monday, April 8, will provide answers. *Medicare: An overview* (5:30 - 6:45 p.m.) will provide information on what's covered, the plans that supplement Medicare, and enrollment deadlines. *Social Security: An overview* (7 - 8:15 p.m.) will cover the best time to begin taking Social Security benefits, as well as strategies to maximize benefits and more. The workshops will take place at the Everence office, 1221 W. Maple St., Hartville. To reserve your spot, contact Jean Bontrager at (330) 877-1982 or jean.bontrager@everence.com.

Did you know that Amazon will make a donation to **your favorite charity** every time you make a purchase? Just log on to www.smile.amazon.com and search for your charity. Options include BACM, Family Promise, MCC and many others.

BACM: Bring Canned vegetables (green beans, corn, peas, carrots) & Deodorant for the month of **April**. 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 have been working with the Mennonite churches in the area around Iquitos, Peru. Recently, their request for visa renewal was denied. Pray for God's comfort and guidance as they discern next steps.