

Summit Mennonite Church

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Worship: 10:00 am

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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

July 4, 2021

Focus Statement: *...More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. (verse 8)*

Prelude: Marilyn Rossiter

Welcome and Lighting the Peace Candle: Hank Rossiter

Call to Worship: Psalm 66: 1-4 Hank Rossiter

Invocation

Leader: Open our ears

People: to hear your word.

Leader: Open our eyes

People: to see your presence.

Leader: Open our arms

People: to the embrace of community.

Leader: Open our minds

People: to the beauty of truth.

Leader: Open our hearts

People: to the joy of new life.

Opening Song: O Lord My God VT # 436

Passing the Peace: Hank Rossiter

Children's Time: Hank Rossiter

Song: Lord, You Sometimes Speak VT # 537

Scripture: Philippians 3 Hank Rossiter

Sermon: *Rubbish* Patrick Nafziger

Song of Response: Ask the Complicated Questions VT # 440

Sharing Joys and Concerns: Christine Nafziger

Congregational Prayer: Christine Nafziger

Offering: Hank Rossiter

Announcements/Welcome of Visitors: Hank Rossiter

Closing Song: Beyond a Dying Sun VT # 416

Sending Blessing: Hank Rossiter

TODAY

Worship Leader: Hank Rossiter

Piano: Marilyn Rossiter

Worship Planner: Joanne Lehman

Nursery: Judy King

LAST WEEK

Attendance: 28

General Offering: \$750

\$1,989 needed weekly to meet spending plan

COMING EVENTS

- Sunday, July 18: Potluck following worship service
- Sunday, August 1, 7pm: Blossom Music Center Cleveland Orchestra concert – Beethoven's Seventh Symphony
- Friday, August 6 & Saturday, August 7: MCC Ohio Mennonite Relief Sale

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Celebrating Communion

We will be taking part in communion on Sunday, July 18. This will be the last Sunday of our series from Philippians on "Joy Ride." We encourage you to prepare yourselves by taking some time for quiet prayer, listening to what God wants to say to you about what's in your heart. You could start by praying what the psalmist prays in Psalm 139: "Search me, O God, and know my heart; test me and know my anxious thoughts. See if there is any hurtful way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting." Are there things you are holding onto that are keeping you from fully embracing God's love and forgiveness?

MCUSA Convention

The biennial Mennonite Church USA convention is taking place in Cincinnati and virtually this week, July 6-10. Please pray for all the participants, organizers and leaders--that things would go smoothly, for safety, and that all of us would be open to God's Spirit speaking and guiding. May it be a time of spiritual growth and renewal.

Please join us on the lawn of **Blossom Music Center** on Sunday, August 1 at 7 pm for an evening of fellowship, snacks, and wonderful music. If desired you may bring finger foods to share during the hour (or so) before the concert begins. See Mona for tickets. And thanks to LaVerne for again generously donating the tickets for everyone.

Save your change! Donations for My Coins Count will be collected until the MCC Relief Sale in early August. My Coins Count is specially designated to support MCC's Clean Water Project. Coins or bills can be donated. Think it's a drop in the bucket? Hundreds of thousands of dollars have been raised over the years for the Relief Sale's My Coins Count project!

MCC launches new dignity kit: MCC's new dignity kits provide hygiene and sanitary items tailored for women and girls who don't have ready access to the items they need. The kits include eco-friendly, washable menstrual pads which are a sustainable solution to expensive disposable sanitary products and help increase school attendance for girls. Get involved by collecting kit contents, sewing reusable pads or donating toward shipping and supply costs. For more information, visit mcc.org/dignity-kits or call the MCC Great Lakes office at 574-534-4133. Thank you for supporting vulnerable women and girls with MCC dignity kits!

MENNONITE MISSION NETWORK PRAYER REQUEST: Arloa Bontrager of Mennonite Mission Network has been the servant project coordinator for Mennonite Church USA conventions since 2003! Thank God for her faithful ministry and for the 23,533 volunteers who have contributed to the ministry of 420 local agencies during the past 18 years. Pray that Jesus' love will be shown through this year's Service in a Box projects.

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