

Sharon Mennonite Church

**"Our mission is to know, to worship, to serve,
and to share Jesus Christ."**

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January 7, 2018

**9:30AM Sunday School
10:30AM Worship Service**

EPIPHANY

Welcome Center: Ivan & Loretta Wagler
Greeters: Phil & Wanda Raber
Nursery: Jared & Sarah Chase

PREPARING FOR WORSHIP

Prelude Pat Anderson & Marjorie Slabaugh

Announcements

Bible Memory Verse Matthew 22:39

And the second is like it: "Love your neighbor as yourself."

Call To Worship Josh Yoder

Worship in Song Dennis, KC, and Katie

WB 16 "God Is Here Among Us"

STJ 5 "Come And Be Light For Our Eyes"

WB 545 "Be Though My Vision"

PRESENTING OUR GIFTS

Offertory (General)

Children's Corner Jason Watkins and Tony Miller

HEARING THE WORD

Scripture Matthew 2:1-12

Message **The Centripetal Christ** Pastor Rob Burdette

Response WB 226 "You Are Salt For The Earth"

Communion

SENDING FORTH

Sharing & Congregational Prayer

Benediction STJ 67 "Let There Be Light, Lord God"

This Week's Calendar:

Second Family Meeting on Sunday, January 7, 2018

What is important to us here at Sharon Mennonite Church? How do we determine what is meaningful in worship and what are the biblical core beliefs that drive our ministry as a congregation? Please join in our second family meeting on Sunday, January 7, 2018 following a fellowship meal where the focus will be on discerning the Core Values of the Sharon Mennonite Church. What is important to you? Music? Youth? Justice?...all of the above? Come and see how your passions and beliefs coincide with others. Thanks for your anticipated participation ~ Rob

Memory Verse for January 14: 1 Corinthians 13:4 'Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud.'

Tuesday, 9:30AM- Sharon Our Meals

Tuesday, 7:00PM – Mission Meeting

Wednesday, 7:00PM – Family Church Night

Thursday, 9:00AM – Quilting and other projects

Thursday 7:00PM – Music Committee Meeting

Next Sunday: Next week's message will reflect on Martin Luther King, Jr. and the offering will be for the General Fund.

Greeters: Wilma Yoder & Judy Yoder

Nursery: Steven & Bethany Beachy

Upcoming Events:

January 14, 2pm – Secret Sister Reveal. Join us to reveal who has been blessing you all year as your Secret Sister. Please bring a final gift for your Secret Sister and a thank you gift for whoever is revealed as your Secret Sister. Please see Megan Colwell with questions.

January 17, 6pm – Family Church Night

January 20, 9am – Food Pantry Delivery

January 21, 9am – Youth Breakfast Fundraiser

January 23, 6:30pm – Youth Planning Meeting



Upcoming Events:

- January 7 – Ignite
- January 14 – Bible Study
- January 20 – Food Pantry Delivery
- January 21 – Youth Breakfast Fundraiser
- January 21 – Ignite

Sharon Our Meals - Tuesday, January 9:00am-9:30am – Everyone is welcome to join us for a day of cooking and fellowship at the church. You can also help by signing up to deliver meals or donate food items. See Katie Mast for details/questions. Thank you!

Ohio Conference Feedback Request - Ohio Conference is seeking Sharon's feedback on the process that was followed after the pastoral misconduct last year. If you have thoughts or feelings you would like to share regarding this process, please submit them in writing via email or church mailbox to an Elder or Pastor by January 21st.

Congregational Safety & Security - In light of recent world events, the Plain City Police Department has invited Sharon, and other local churches, to attend a "Protecting Your House of Worship" training seminar on 1/31. This seminar is designed to provide participants with the knowledge and skills to help prevent an attack or mitigate damage done by an attacker. Sharon will be sending three individuals to this seminar - an Elder, a Trustee, and an Usher. Following the seminar, more information will be shared with the congregation as necessary.

Sharon's Online Directory can be accessed at <http://members.instantchurctory.com> or by downloading "Instant Church Directory" for your smart phone or tablet.

Memorial Garden Committee – One additional volunteer is needed to serve on the Memorial Garden Committee. Please see Cliff Troyer by this Sunday 1/7 if interested..

Rob Burdette, Transitional Pastor	740-504-3995	Cliff Troyer, Elder	614-879-8291
Jared Chase, Youth Pastor	614-530-8329	KC Theiss, Elder	614-327-1125
Amy Hinton, Office Admin	614-581-4157	Mark Bailey, Elder	614-813-3048

Last Sunday's Sunday School Attendance: 68

Last Sunday's Worship Service Attendance: 114

Last Sunday's Offering: \$22604.60

Remember in prayer and praise this week
January 7, 2018 – January 13, 2018

Rejoice with: Katie Hooley, Theodore Yates, Kathy Whitley, Erica Lichtie, Bruce Brown, Martha Hoestetler, Brian Lichtie, and Spencer Raber who celebrate their birthdays this week.

Duane and Linda Mast who celebrate their anniversary this week.

Emily Miller who recently announced her engagement.

Remember in prayer:

- Tom Beach, Phyllis Calle, Betty Hostetler, Pat Kuhns, Andy Mayer, Shaun Miller, Larry Owen, Marilyn Troyer, Bob Wright, our family and friends living with cancer, its treatments and other long term illnesses.
- Alvin & Edna Kaufman, Ed & Emma Miller, Shannon Russell, Mabel Yoder, and Ammon & Mary Yutzy who are homebound.
- Ron Headings as he recovers from a blood clot in his lung.
- Joyce, Carole Schumacher's sister who has tumors on her brain with surgery scheduled for late January.
- Ray Kuhns – Please pray that Ray's A1C levels improve so he can have needed ankle surgery.
- John Kramer is in need of healing.
- Clell Sommers who has been cleared by his cardiologist to have hernia surgery. Please keep him in your prayers.
- Dan Lapp – Please pray for Dan as he goes through health difficulties.
- Gwen Troyer's parents – Gwen's dad is in declining health and her mom has unresolved pain issues. Pray for Gwen as she supports them and for their spiritual well being.
- Ella Shank, infant daughter of Jamie & Audrey had a liver transplant. Please pray for her healing.
- Rob & Patty Burdette – Pray for Patty as she recovers from surgery and for God's guidance in Rob's ministry here at Sharon.
- Emily Miller as she travels to Colombia on a mission trip.
- Remember to pray for persecuted Christians around the world.
- Pray for our church family as we change and grow.