



Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost
“Ephphatha,” that is, “Be opened.”

September 9, 2018

Sharon Mennonite Church
***“Our mission is to know, to worship, to serve,
and to share Jesus Christ”***

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9:30AM Sunday School

10:30AM Worship Hour

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740-972-2564

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614-327-1125

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Elder

614-813-3048

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Elder

614-316-6133

Welcome Center: Darryl and Cami Beachy
Greeters: Dave and Brenda Montgomery
Nursery: Becky Headings and Gwen Troyer

PREPARING FOR WORSHIP

Prelude Dennis Hull
Welcome and Announcements
Call to Worship Marilyn Troyer
Bible Memory Verse James 2:13
'For judgment will be without mercy to anyone who has shown no mercy; mercy triumphs over judgment.'
Worship in Song WB 648 "Morning Has Broken" Dennis Graber
WB 651 "I Owe The Lord a Morning Song"
"Open The Eyes of My Heart"

PRESENTING OUR GIFTS

Offertory (General) STJ 56 "Make Me a Channel of Your Peace" Dennis Graber

HEARING THE WORD

Scripture Message Mark 7:24-37
Pastor Rob Burdette
Jesus Christ, the same yesterday, today and forever?
Response WB627 "There Is a Balm in Gilead"
Dennis Graber

SENDING FORTH

Sharing & Congregational Prayer Pastor Rob Burdette
Benediction MH538 "The Love of God" Dennis Graber

TODAY

No activities scheduled

THIS WEEKS CALENDAR

Memory Verse for September 16 Mark 8:34

'Then he called the crowd to him along with his disciples and said: "If anyone would come after me, he must deny himself and take up his cross and follow me.'

Wednesday, 7:00 p.m.	Family Church Night – Bible Study
Thursday, 9:00 a.m.	Quilting and Other Projects
Thursday, 7:00 p.m.	Music Committee Meeting
Saturday, 9:00 a.m.	Food Pantry Delivery

UPCOMING EVENTS

September 16, 9:00 a.m.	Youth Breakfast Fundraiser
September 17-20	Carpet removal, floor repair, and carpet installation (Foyer)
September 19, 6:00 p.m.	Christian Education Meeting
September 19, 7:00 p.m.	Church Council Meeting
September 20, 9:00 a.m.	Quilting and Other Projects
September 20, 2:00-8:00 p.m.	Red Cross Blood Drive (Haven Fellowship)
September 22, 7:00 a.m.	Men's Prayer Breakfast
September 23, 10:00 a.m.	Glen Guyton Preaching, Executive Director of MC USA
September 23, 11:00 a.m.	Question and Answer Session with Glen Guyton
September 23, 12:00 p.m.	Cornhole Clash Tournament
September 23, 6:00 p.m.	Talk Back and Conversation with Glen Guyton
September 25, 6:30 p.m.	Youth Planning Meeting
September 26, 7:00 p.m.	Annual Member's Meeting
September 27, 9:00 a.m.	Quilting and Other Projects
September 29, 4:30 p.m.	Community Meal service at DNA
September 30, 1:30 p.m.	Edgewater Service

NEXT SUNDAY

Next week's message will be delivered by Pastor Jared Chase. The offering will be for the General Fund.

Greeters: Dennis and Babs Graber

Nursery: Brenda Montgomery and Babs Graber

Last Sunday's Sunday School Attendance:	86
Last Sunday's Service Attendance:	127
Last Sunday's Offering:	\$ 3,667.00 (Missions Fund)



UPCOMING EVENTS

September 12, 7:00 p.m.
September 15, 9:00 a.m.
September 16, 9:00 a.m.
September 16, 6:00 p.m.
September 30, 7:00 p.m.

Youth Bible Study at PJ's
Food Pantry Delivery
Youth Breakfast Fundraiser
Ignite
Youth Bible Study

NOTICES

New Adult Sunday School Class this fall beginning on September 2nd

–The Christian Ed Committee is offering a special adult Sunday school class this fall. The class meets in the Mezzanine during the Sunday School time. Pastor Rob is leading a study on the *Mennonite Confession of Faith*. Whether you would like to revisit this study or dive into it for the first time, you are welcome to join this discussion group. There is a sign-up sheet in the foyer. It's not too late to sign up!

Annual Members Meeting – The Annual Members meeting will take place on Wednesday, September 26th at 7:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

Glen Guyton – Glen Guyton, the newly installed Executive Director of MC USA, will be preaching and speaking at Sharon on September 23rd. The schedule of events for Glen's visit is as follows: 10:00 a.m. Worship (Glen to preach), 11:00 a.m. Question and Answer Session with Glen in the Sanctuary, 12:00 p.m. Cornhole Tournament with lunch provided (Donations benefitting Melanoma Research Foundation), 6:00 p.m. Talk Back and Conversation with Glen (refreshments and snacks provided). Please RSVP by September 19th to jchase2882@gmail.com.

Music Committee Meeting – The Music Committee will meet Thursday, September 13, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

Family Church Night – Bible Study – Please note that there will be no Family Church Night this month on September 19. It has been cancelled to accommodate time for meetings moved due to the Annual Members Meeting.

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Pastor Rob, Vacation – Pastor Rob will out of the office on vacation September 10-17.

Greeters for 2018/2018 – If you are able to serve as a greeter for the upcoming year, please contact Amy Hinton in the church office.

REJOICE! – *REJOICE!* Daily Devotional Readings for September, October, and November 2018 are now available below the mailboxes on the left side.

Revised Common Lectionary – Copies of The Revised Common Lectionary Years B & C: September 2018 through August 2019 are available under the mailboxes on the right side of the mailboxes. The Lectionary is the listing of biblical passages and themes used in Mennonite worship during the year. You may also access the lectionary for the weeks readings online at: www.commonword.ca/FileDownload/25886/2018-19_LectionaryTextThemes.pdf.

Samaritan's Purse Shoebox Project – Start thinking about the Samaritan's Purse Shoebox Project coming in October. Some suggested items might include colored pencils, markers, toothbrushes, combs, individual Kleenex packages, small activity books, notepads, and pens. Happy Shopping!

Luncheon on September 23 – There will be a luncheon held at Sharon on September 30th prior to the Edgewater service with proceeds going to the Samaritan's purse project postage. Please come and help support this project.

Samaritan's Purse Testimony - Have you ever wondered about the child who receives the shoebox you lovingly packed? What difference could one simple gift make in the life of a child? Désiré Nana, an Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Recipient will give his testimony at the Shiloh Chapel Evangelical Friends Church, 164354 Square Dr, Marysville, OH 43040 on Friday, September 21, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. Désiré will share his story and you will learn more about this life-changing ministry. Questions? Call 740-215-7519.

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DNA Community Meal – Sharon Mennonite is in charge of the community meal at DNA on Saturday, September 29. Volunteers need to arrive at DNA at 4:30 p.m. to help with the meal. Please see Debbie Yoder to see how you can be involved.

Annual Reports – If you are the head of a committee and have not submitted your annual report, please do so as soon as possible. This will ensure that there is time to compile, edit, print, and distribute the Annual Reports prior to the Annual Member's Meeting. Reports may be submitted via E-mail to the church office at sharonmenno@gmail.com.

KAIROS Cookies – The chocolate chip cookies for KAIROS will be picked up at noon on the 28th of September. Please place the bagged cookies in the white banker's boxes in the foyer.

Reviving Hope – Registration for *Reviving Hope: A Suicide Prevention Training* is due September 17. Please see the bulletin insert for information. To register and for additional information please visit www.campluz.com/reviving-hope.html.

World Wide Mennonite & Brethren Marriage Encounter – Open Arms Hispanic Ministry and several Wayne County congregations are planning a Mennonite and Brethren Marriage Encounter on September 28-30 at the Comfort Suites Hotel and Conference Center in Berlin. Registration cost is \$150 per couple. A flier with more information about this event is posted on the bulletin board. You may also contact Raul Tadeo at 330-933-9376 for more information and a registration form. Registration is due by today.