



**Lord, that I might see
Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost**

October 28, 2018

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

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9:30 AM 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

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Elder

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Welcome Center: Megan Colwell
Greeters: Gary and Sue Hostetler
Nursery: Babs Graber and Volunteer

PREPARING FOR WORSHIP

Prelude Betty Rohrer
Welcome and Announcements
Call to Worship Patty Burdette
Bible Memory Verse Mark 10:51
'Then Jesus said to him, "What do you want me to do for you?" The blind man said to him, "My teacher, let me see again.'"
Worship in Song "Come, Now Is The Time To Worship"
"Here I Am To Worship" Praise Band

PRESENTING OUR GIFTS

Offertory (General) "Jesus Messiah"
"You Are Holy (Prince of Peace)" Praise Band

HEARING THE WORD

Scripture Mark 10:46-52
Message Wolakota Pastor Rob Burdette
Response "Great Is The Lord" Praise Band

SENDING FORTH

Sharing & Congregational Prayer Pastor Rob Burdette
Benediction "Everywhere I Go" Praise Band

TODAY

All Sunday School classes from Jr. High and older meet in the sanctuary at 9:30 a.m.

THIS WEEKS CALENDAR

Memory Verse for November 4

Deuteronomy 6:5

'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your might.'

Tuesday, 6:30 p.m.

Youth Planning Meeting

Thursday, 9:00 a.m.

Quilting and Other Projects – Bag lunch

Thursday, 8:00 p.m.

Music Committee Meeting

UPCOMING EVENTS

November 7, 7:00 p.m.

Family Church Night – Bible Study

November 8, 9:00 a.m.

Quilting and Other Projects

November 9, 5:30 p.m.

Sharon Dinner and Fun Auction, Doors Open and Silent Auction begins

November 9, 6:00 p.m.

Sharon Dinner and Fun Auction, Dinner

November 9, 7:00 p.m.

Sharon Dinner and Fun Auction, Live Auction

November 13, 7:00 p.m.

Missions Committee Meeting

November 14, 7:00 p.m.

Family Church Night – Bible Study

November 15, 9:00 a.m.

Quilting and Other Projects

November 15, 2:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Haven Fellowship Red Cross Blood Drive

November 17, 9:00 a.m.

Food Pantry Delivery

November 18, 9:00 a.m.

Youth Breakfast Fundraiser

November 19, 6:00 p.m.

Spiritual Leadership Team Meeting

November 21, 6:00 p.m.

Family Church Night – Carry-In/Bible Study

November 22

Thanksgiving

November 24, 7:00 a.m.

Men's Prayer Breakfast

November 27, 6:30 p.m.

Youth Planning Meeting

November 28, 6:00 p.m.

Christian Education Meeting

November 28, 7:00 p.m.

Church Council Meeting

November 29, 9:00 a.m.

Quilting and Other Projects

NEXT SUNDAY

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

Greeters: Gwen Troyer and Enola Miller

Nursery: Janice and Ashton Bailey

Last Sunday's Sunday School Attendance:

87

Last Sunday's Service Attendance:

94

Last Sunday's Offering:

\$4,203.00 (General Fund)



UPCOMING EVENTS

November 4, 5:30 p.m.	Bonfire at Pastor Jared's
November 4, 6:00 p.m.	Ignite
November 7, 7:00 p.m.	Bible Study at Pastor Jared's
November 14, 7:00 p.m.	Bible Study
November 18, 9:00 a.m.	Youth Breakfast Fundraiser
November 18, 6:00 p.m.	Ignite

NOTICES

Church Family Meeting on Pastoral Search – On Sunday, November 11th, we will have a Church Family Meeting immediately after the service to discuss and identify desired skills/ expectations for our next pastor. We will use the Pastoral Expectations/Skills-“Twenty Pastoral Areas” document as a guide for round-table discussions. Each table will work together to jointly complete one form, providing input to the Pastoral Search Committee. Lunch will be provided. Please plan to attend.

Choir for November 18th – Everyone is invited to sing in a choir during the Sunday morning service on November 18th. We will sing two songs: “Tis the Gift to be Simple” and “Sing to the Lord of Harvest” (MH 520). We will practice on November 4th and November 11th at 4:00 at the church. Everyone is welcome!

Mennonite Heritage Sunday – Mennonite Heritage Sunday takes place today. October Mennonite Heritage Sunday marks events and people with historical importance in the church, and has focused on a wide range of historical topics in the past. This year, MC USA is encouraging congregations to spend time reviewing the history of the Doctrine of Discovery and oppression of Indigenous people. The Worship Planning Committee, in conjunction with the Spiritual Leadership Team, would like to invite Sunday School classes to forego regular lesson plans and join together in the sanctuary for Sunday School today. We will spend time learning about this issue and will hear from Pastor Rob and Patty, who have firsthand experience working with Indigenous people. For more information on Mennonite involvement with the Doctrine of Discovery, including a great informational documentary video, visit <https://dofdmenno.org/>. Printed copies of a Power Point presentation on the subject are available by the mailboxes.

REJOICE! – Winter quarter REJOICE! Daily Devotionals are now available by the mailboxes.

Quilting on November 1 – If you are attending the quilting group on Thursday, November 1st, please bring a bagged lunch as lunch will not be provided that day.

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October is Pastor Appreciation Month! Please take a moment to recognize Pastor Jared and Pastor Rob for their outstanding service and commitment to Sharon's congregation. Today the Elders will take a moment during the service to recognize Jared and Rob. We invite anyone who would like to share words of affirmation to participate – please see an Elder if you would like to be involved. Thanks!

Pastoral Search Committee Update – The Search Committee is currently gathering information and developing an updated description of our congregation. This will be used to complete the Congregational Information Form which will be shared with candidates. The Search Committee also met with the Structure Review Committee to discuss their thoughts on possible changes in our congregation's discernment, leadership, and committee structure.

Sharon Dinner & Fun Auction – Tickets are on sale now for the Sharon Dinner & Fun Auction which takes place on November 9th. We are still in need of items/services to be auctioned to benefit Sharon Church missions, projects and the Zachary George Scholarship Fund. Donation forms can be found at the Welcome Center and need to be returned to Jared Chase by Tuesday, November 4th.

Sharing the Christmas Story – Tamara Reed of DNA and other local church leaders are putting together a "Best Night Ever" Christmas story walk through experience for the *Christmas Under the Clock* event. There will be 5 stations in the front lawn of DNA where scenes from the Christmas story are presented in a still scene, but each with an interactive component. They are looking for churches to help by providing one of the following: provide all of the props, actors, backdrop, interactive component for one stations; provide, set up, and tear down all of the hay needed for all stations and amphitheater; help facilitate costumes, get actors ready, and ensure proper folding, labeling, and return to owners at evenings end; own the set up and tear down of luminaries; own the set up of a Christmas light lit archway at the entrance to DNA sidewalk; own the creation of the backdrop creation, set up, and tear down for one or more stations; work with Beachy Barnes to get a small barn set up for the event; provide the needed elements for the Light the Night Station; provide a food or craft creation station (before they fill this option they want to make sure that all stations are covered). If you are willing to be the lead for Sharon on this event, please contact the church office for additional information as soon as possible as the event takes place in 38 days. This is a great way for Sharon to be part of community ministry!

DNA Annual Banquet – The DNA Community Center will be having its annual banquet on October 30th from 6:30 until 8:30pm at the DNA Community Center in Plain City. Our God is the God who says "Let It Be!"; who speaks life and light into places of darkness. He is doing that through DNA and you are invited to come and here where God is leading. To reserve your spot please go to www.dnaincity.org/life/. The evening is being catered by Saffron (Tolles Technical Culinary Arts program).

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Women's Retreat at Camp Luz November 9-11 – There will be a Women's Retreat at Camp Luz November 9-11. It is open to women of all ages and registration is available on the camp's website: www.campluz.com. Akeia Haddox- Rossiter, pastor of outreach at Capital Christian Fellowship (Lanham, MD), will be speaking. "*Deeply Rooted: Firmly Established*" is the theme for the weekend. Brochures are available by the mailboxes.

Mennonite Disaster Service of Western Ohio – Brett Troyer, Logistics Coordinator of MDS, will be the featured speaker at the annual meeting of the Western Ohio Unit on Saturday, November 17, at Grace Mennonite Church, Pandora, Ohio. The program is 10:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. and lunch is provided. The new and fully-equipped western Ohio tool trailer will be on-site for a "hands-on" tour before and after the program. Anyone interested in learning about the mission and response of Mennonite Disaster Service is welcome to attend, and encouraged to bring others with you. The event is open to all. In order to plan for refreshments and lunch, RSVP is requested by E-mailing Lawrence Matthews at matthewsL@bluffton.edu or calling 419-303-8056. Details of this program are posted on the bulletin board outside of the sanctuary.

Healthy conversations workshop – We are immersed in a culture that is more polarized every day, and we are told that the best way out of conflict is to fight (and win). There is another option, though. Join Sonnenberg Mennonite in Kidron for a weekend workshop on November 9-10 learning about and practicing healthy dialogue. The workshop will be led by Jes Stoltzfus Buller, Mennonite Central Committee Peace Education Coordinator. For more information or to RSVP for this free event, call 330-857-8222 or sonnenbergmc@embarqmail.com.

Glen Guyton, executive director of MC USA, recently visited the Peace **Academic Center, a re-envisioned partnership with the Hopi people**, repurposing the facilities of the Hopi Mission School. This will continue to be a vital peace ministry of MC USA. Read more at mennoniteusa.org/hopi.

MennoCon19 Newsletter – The first MennoCon19 newsletter is out now with lots of great details about what to expect at the MC USA convention in Kansas City, Missouri. Read it at mennoniteusa.org/ConventionLetter1.

Voices Together Hymnal – MennoMedia needs your help to make the new *Voices Together* hymnal a reality by Fall 2020. Before any copies of *Voices Together* are sold, MennoMedia will invest more than \$700,000. Everence and Mennonite Central Committee U.S. have issued a matching grant challenge of up to \$100,000 to help MennoMedia in this final fund-raising effort. Help ensure that *Voices Together* will be affordably priced for congregations. Make a gift today and have it doubled! Give at VoicesTogetherHymnal.org. Every voice matters. Every dollar counts.