



...not far from the Kingdom
Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost

November 4, 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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Amy Hinton, Office Administrator	740-972-2564	Dennis Graber, Elder	614-316-6133

Welcome Center: Missy Snyder
Greeters: Gwen Troyer and Enola Miller
Nursery: Janice and Ashton Bailey

PREPARING FOR WORSHIP

Prelude Pat Anderson and
Marjorie Schlabach

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Jason Watkins

Bible Memory Verse

Deuteronomy 6:5

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

Worship in Song

"Open The Eyes of My Heart"

KC Theiss

"The Stand"

PRESENTING OUR GIFTS

Offertory (General)

"I Will Follow"

KC Theiss

Children's Church

HEARING THE WORD

Scripture

Mark 12:28-34

Message

**What's love got to do with
it?**

Pastor Rob Burdette

Response

*STJ 56 "Make Me a Channel
of Your Peace"*

KC Theiss

Dedication of Julia Chase

Pastor Rob Burdette

SENDING FORTH

Sharing & Congregational Prayer

Pastor Rob Burdette

Benediction

"We Fall Down"

KC Theiss

TODAY

4:00 p.m.

Choir practice for music November 18th

6:00-8:00 p.m.

Game night at church for youth

THIS WEEKS CALENDAR

Memory Verse for November 11

Mark 12:43

'Calling his disciples to him, Jesus said, "Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put more into the treasury than all the others. They all gave out of their wealth; but she, out of her poverty, put in everything—all she had to live on.'"

Wednesday, 7:00 p.m.

Family Church Night – Bible Study

Thursday, 9:00 a.m.

Quilting and Other Projects

Friday, 5:30 p.m.

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

Friday, 6:00 p.m.

Sharon Dinner and Fun Auction, Dinner

Friday, 7:00 p.m.

Sharon Dinner and Fun Auction, Live Auction

UPCOMING EVENTS

November 11, 12:00 p.m.

Church Family Meeting on
Priorities/Expectations for Pastoral Search

November 11, 4:00 p.m.

Choir practice for music November 18th

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 Jared Chase. The offering will be for the Missions Fund.

Greeters: Phil and Wanda Raber

Nursery: Gwen Troyer and Becky Headings

Last Sunday's Sunday School Attendance:

74

Last Sunday's Service Attendance:

94

Last Sunday's Offering:

\$3,403.00 (General Fund)



UPCOMING EVENTS

November 4, 6:00-8:00 p.m.
November 7, 7:00 p.m.
November 14, 7:00 p.m.
November 18, 9:00 a.m.
November 18, 6:00 p.m.

Game night at church for youth
Bible Study at Pastor Jared's
Bible Study
Youth Breakfast Fundraiser
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 today at 4:00 p.m. and November 11th at 4:00 p.m. at the church. Everyone is welcome!

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 today.

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

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Clell and Pearl Sommers Change of Address – Effective November 10, 2018, Clell and Pearl Sommers new address will be: 3759 County Rd 170, Cardington, OH 43315. There will be no change to their phone numbers.

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 on December 1st. This is a great way for Sharon to be part of community ministry!

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.camluz.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.

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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.

Open letter to Rabbi Myers, Tree of Life Congregation – “May God grant you peace that you may know no further sorrow.” Read the Open letter to Rabbi Myers, Tree of Life Congregation, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania from Glen Guyton, executive director of MC USA at mennoniteusa.org/letter-rabbi.

MennoCon19 Seminar Ideas – The deadline to submit seminar ideas for MennoCon19 is tomorrow, Monday, November 5. Submit yours today at mennoniteusa.org/seminars.

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.