



## **Lent 1 – God’s hand delivers us**

March 10, 2019

### **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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Pastor

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Amy Hinton,  
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740-972-2564

KC Theiss,  
Elder

614-327-1125

Mark Bailey,  
Elder

614-813-3048

Dennis Graber,  
Elder

614-316-6133

Welcome Center: Mark and Diana Whitmer  
Greeters: Ken and Grace Sims  
Nursery: Nikki Shoemaker and Volunteer

*Hearing assistance devices are available for those who need them.  
Please see attendant in the sound booth at the back of the sanctuary for assistance.*

## PREPARING FOR WORSHIP

**Prelude** Dennis Graber

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Bible Memory Verse** 1 Corinthians 10:13

‘No temptation has overtaken you except what is common to mankind. And God is faithful; he will not let you be tempted beyond what you can bear. But when you are tempted, he will also provide a way out so that you can endure it.’

**Call to Worship** Pastor Jared Chase

**Worship in Song** “Give Us Clean Hands” KC and RainaTheiss

“Your Grace Is Enough”

“All Creatures of Our God and King”

## PRESENTING OUR GIFTS

**Offertory/** “Reckless Love” KC and RainaTheiss

**Special Music**

**(Missions Fund)**

**Childrens Corner** Abigail, Eliza, and Hope

*The children will be collecting food items for the food drive after the offertory*

## HEARING THE WORD

**Scripture** Luke 4:1-13

**Message** Jesus....has been through it. Pastor Alvin Yoder

**Response** “Come Thou Fount” KC and RainaTheiss

## SENDING FORTH

**Sharing & Congregational Prayer** Pastor Jared Chase

**Benediction** “Give Us Clean Hands  
(reprise)” KC and RainaTheiss

## TODAY

No activities scheduled

## THIS WEEKS CALENDAR

**Memory Verse for March 17**

Philippians 3:20

*'But our citizenship is in heaven. And we eagerly await a Savior from there, the Lord Jesus Christ,'*

**Wednesday, 7:00 p.m.**

Family Church Night (Home Ministry Wednesday)

**Thursday, 9:00 a.m.**

Quilting and Other Projects

**Thursday, 7:00 p.m.**

Missions Committee Meeting

**Saturday, 9:00 a.m.**

Food Pantry Delivery

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**March 17, 9:00 a.m.**

Youth Breakfast Fundraiser

**March 18, 6:00 p.m.**

Christian Education Meeting

**March 18, 7:00 p.m.**

Church Council Meeting

**March 20, 6:00 p.m.**

Family Church Night – Bible Study  
(Carry-In Prior to Study)

**March 21, 9:00 a.m.**

Quilting and Other Projects

**March 21, 9:00 a.m.**

Busy Bees

**March 21, 6:00 p.m.**

Music Committee Meeting

**March 28, 9:00 a.m.**

Quilting and Other Projects

**March 30, 3:00 p.m.**

DNA Community Meal (Sharon serving)

**March 31, 1:00 p.m.**

Edgewater Service

## NEXT SUNDAY

Next week Pastor Jared Chase will be speaking. The offering will be for the General Fund.

**Greeters:** John and Betty Rohrer

**Nursery:** Sarah Chase and Volunteer

**Last Sunday's Sunday School Attendance:**

84

**Last Sunday's Service Attendance:**

126

**Last Sunday's Offering:**

\$4,428.50 (General Fund)



## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

**March 13, 7:00 p.m.**

**March 16, 9:00 a.m.**

**March 17, 9:00 a.m.**

**March 17, 6:00 p.m.**

**March 20, 7:00 p.m.**

Bible Study

Food Pantry Delivery

Youth Breakfast Fundraiser

Ignite

Bible Study

## **NOTICES**

**Gifts Discernment** – Next Sunday, Gifts Discernment Nomination Forms will be placed in mailboxes. The Nomination Forms will be due March 31 and a box will be placed in the foyer for completed forms. Your prayerful participation is encouraged in this process as we discern God's calling for leadership positions at Sharon. If you have questions, please contact Dennis Graber.

**Baptism/Membership Class** – Pastor Jared will be leading a class for individuals seeking baptism and/or membership. The class is slated to start on Sunday, May 19 and will run for approximately 10 weeks. Baptism Sunday will be held during the Sunday school picnic on Sunday, August 25. For more information or questions, please contact Pastor Jared.

**THE FINAL DAYS OF JESUS Intergenerational Sunday School Class** – Prepare for Easter by joining this intergenerational class beginning on today in the Mezzanine. We will use the book *The Final Days of Jesus*, which is available in the lobby. Jesus' last week shook but also saved the world. From Palm Sunday to Easter morning, each day and encounter were critical. This book leads us step-by-step along Jesus' route from the triumphant entry to the cross and finally to glory. Please sign up in the lobby, take a copy of the book and read the Table of Contents and Introduction in preparation for the class, which will be led by Cliff Troyer.

**Work Camp** – Work Camp will be June 16-21 this year. We are in need of Adult Volunteers and projects. Registration will start in March. If you have any questions contact Pastor Jared, Megan Colwell – Committee Chairperson, or Darryl Beachy – Registration Chairperson.

**Family Church Night on March 13** – For Family Church Night on March 13 at 7:00 p.m. we will be doing a Home Ministry Wednesday. For more information, please contact Wanda Raber.

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**Missions Committee Food Drive** - The Missions Committee will be sponsoring a food drive throughout Lent, starting today and running through Palm Sunday on April 14. The youth will be collecting items during the service and there will also be a collection box will be placed in the Foyer to receive non-perishable food items for the drive.

**Relay for Life of Madison and Union Counties 2019** – The Madison and Union County Relay For Life will take place Saturday, June 8, 2019 from 6:00 p.m. to Midnight at Jonathan Alder High School. For more information, please visit the event website at [www.relayforlife.org/madisoncounty](http://www.relayforlife.org/madisoncounty).

**DNA Spring Fundraising Event** – On April 11 at 6:00 p.m., DNA will hold its spring fundraiser which will be a night of Christian dinner theatre. The evening will begin with dinner, followed by the play. Fish-Eyes is the humorous, heartwarming and poignant story of the disciples Peter and Andrew, who drop their nets and follow Jesus on a journey filled with joy, laughter, pain, confusion, and wonderment. Come along with them as they walk with Jesus and witness His miracles, experience His love and struggle to understand His teachings. These very flawed, very funny and very lovable brothers will take you through the Gospels from the moment they were called to the glorious moment the risen Christ returned to them. Dinner costs \$20 per person. To register, go to [www.dnaplaincity.org](http://www.dnaplaincity.org) and follow the link to the registration page.

**Kairos Ministry** – Steph France of the Kairos Ministry will visit Sharon on March 24 to distribute cookie bags for chocolate chip cookies to be taken to the Madison Correctional Facility in London, OH. They request that each bag be filled with 2 dozen chocolate chip cookies (no nuts or raisins). Cookies will be picked up Friday, April 5 at noon. Steph will also bring a Prayer Vigil Sign-up sheet which will be placed on the table in the foyer for those who would like to pray for the participants the weekend of the retreat (April 11-14). If you prefer to help support the Kairos Ministry financially, please make a check to Kairos of Ohio and give it to Steph while he is visiting.

**April Retreats at Camp Luz** - In April there will be a trio of great retreats at Camp Luz:

- Men's Retreat- April 5-7, with Dick Barret, Ohio Conference Minister. Registration is due by April 1.
- Mother Daughter Retreat- April 12-13, with Vicki Conn, Executive Director of Love INC of Holmes County. Registration is due by April 8.
- Father Son Retreat- April 26-27, with Kevin Himes, pastor at Salem Mennonite (Kidron). Registration is due by April 22.

For more information, see the brochures on the bulletin board. Additional brochures are available by the mailboxes.

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**Ohio Mennonite Relief Sale Kick-Off Meeting** – The Ohio Mennonite Relief Sale Kick-Off Meeting is planned for Sunday, March 17, 2019 at Salem Mennonite Church, Kidron at 6:30 p.m. The evening will include a meal prepared and served by the Axis youth (youth from 5 local Mennonite churches). This is a fundraiser for their summer service project. The meal is by donation. Bonnie Klassen, MCC Area Director for South America, Mexico, and Cuba will be speaking. Updates for the 2019 Auction will be given and an offering will be taken to help with Relief Sale Expenses. As the “ticket” to the Kick-Off meeting, attendees are asked to bring a new toy (age range 0-14 years old) to be donated for the Children’s Auction. Please RSVP to Sandy Miller at 330-464-8867 via text or voicemail by March 11 to help the group plan the amount of food needed. The Mennonite Central Committee appreciates the part each of you play in serving the needy of the world “In the Name of Christ. “

### **Mennonite Healthcare Fellowship (MHF) 2019 Student Essay Project** –

Mennonite Healthcare Fellowship (MHF) announces the 2019 Student Essay Project held in conjunction with its Annual Gathering 2019 under the theme, "Well-being for All." Any student in a program relating to health (physical, mental, or spiritual) at the undergraduate or graduate level who supports the mission of MHF is eligible. Essays are due to [info@mennohealth.org](mailto:info@mennohealth.org) by March 31, 2019. Winners may be published in the online Mennonite Health Journal and receive free registration to attend Annual Gathering 2019, June 21-23, at Laurelville Mennonite Church Center. For complete details, visit [www.mennohealth.org/essays/](http://www.mennohealth.org/essays/).

**Peace Church Planting Webinar** – Join the Peace Church Planting webinar where church planters will share from their experience and Mennonite Mission Network staff will introduce *The Sent Network*, a new online platform to support church planters. The webinar will take place on Wednesday, March 13, 6:00-7:15 p.m. EDT/5:00-6:15 p.m. Central/3:00-4:15 p.m. Pacific, and all are invited to attend. Visit [mennoniteusa.org/churchplanting](http://mennoniteusa.org/churchplanting) to register.

**MennoCon19** – Be one of the first 2,000 people to register for **MennoCon19** and receive a new *Voices Together* hymnal when it’s available. Registration is open now at [convention.mennoniteusa.org/registration](http://convention.mennoniteusa.org/registration)!