



BLESSED HUNGER, HOLY FEAST

Lent 3 – God pours out life-giving drink

March 24, 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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614-598-3306

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Office Administrator

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: Mark and Janice Bailey
Nursery: Jessica Yoder 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 Raina Theiss

Welcome and Announcements

Bible Memory Verse Psalm 63:1

'O God, you are my God, earnestly I seek you; my soul thirsts for you, my body longs for you, in a dry and weary land where there is no water.'

Call to Worship Raina Theiss

Worship in Song "Open The Eyes Of My Heart, Lord" Dennis Graber and Becky Yoder

"Come, Thou Fount" (WB 521)

"What A Friend We Have In Jesus"

(to the tune of "The Rose")

PRESENTING OUR GIFTS

Offertory/ "Well Done" Steph France

Special Music

(General Fund)

Childrens Corner Babs Graber

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

HEARING THE WORD

Scripture Psalm 63: 1-8

Message God pours out life-giving drink Pastor Vickie Yoder

Response "Rain Down" (STJ 49) Dennis Graber

SENDING FORTH

Sharing & Congregational Prayer Pastor Vickie Yoder

Benediction "Jesus, Help Us Live In Peace" Dennis Graber

TODAY

No activities scheduled

THIS WEEKS CALENDAR

Memory Verse for March 31 Luke 9:21-22

‘Jesus strictly warned them not to tell this to anyone. And he said, “The Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests and the teachers of the law, and he must be killed and on the third day be raised to life.”’

Sunday – Saturday

Thursday, 9:00 a.m.

Saturday, 3:00 p.m.

Pastor Jared – Vacation

Quilting and Other Projects

DNA Community Meal (Sharon Serving)

UPCOMING EVENTS

March 31, 1:00 p.m.

April 2, 6:30 p.m.

April 3, 7:00 p.m.

April 4, 9:00 a.m.

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April 8, 7:00 p.m.

April 9, 7:00 p.m.

April 10, 7:00 p.m.

April 11, 9:00 a.m.

April 11, 6:00 p.m.

April 14

April 17, 6:00 p.m.

April 18, 9:00 a.m.

April 18, 11:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.

April 20, 9:00 a.m.

April 23, 6:30 p.m.

April 21, 8:00 a.m.

April 21, 10:00 a.m.

April 25, 9:00 a.m.

Edgewater Service

Youth Planning Meeting

Family Church Night – Bible Study

Quilting and Other Projects

Busy Bees

Work Camp Meeting

Christian Education/Missions Committee Meeting

Family Church Night – Bible Study

Quilting and Other Projects

Spiritual Leadership Team Meeting

Palm Sunday

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

Busy Bees

Stations of the Cross

Food Pantry Delivery

Youth Planning Meeting

Easter Sunday SonRise Service
(Brunch following SonRise Service)

Traditional Worship Service

Quilting and Other Projects

NEXT SUNDAY

Next week Ken Sims will be speaking. The offering will be for the General Fund.

Greeters: Darryl and Laura Miller

Nursery: Brian and Maria Lichtle

Last Sunday's Sunday School Attendance:

107

Last Sunday's Service Attendance:

112

Last Sunday's Offering:

\$7,543.00 (General Fund)



UPCOMING EVENTS

April 3, 7:00 p.m.	Bible Study
April 7, 6:00 p.m.	Ignite
April 10, 7:00 p.m.	Bible Study
April 17, 6:00 p.m.	Bible Study
April 20, 9:00 a.m.	Food Pantry Delivery
April 28, 6:00 p.m.	Ignite

NOTICES

Arrangements for Dan Lapp - Visitation will be held from 2:00-4:00 & 6:00-8:00 pm Monday at Ferguson Funeral Home. Funeral services will be held at 11:00 am Tuesday, March 26, 2019 at Sharon Mennonite Church with Pastor Vickie Yoder officiating. A luncheon will be hosted at Sharon following the service.

Pastor Jared Chase – Pastor Jared Chase will be on vacation through Saturday, March 30. Should a pastoral need arise during that time, please contact Pastor Vickie Yoder at 614-598-3306 or one of the church Elders.

Office Administrator – Amy Hinton, Sharon Mennonite Office Administrator, will be out of the office through March 29. During that time, Amy Waldron will be in the office to assist with any needs that may arise.

Installation of Pastor Jared on April 7 – The affirmation and celebration of Jared moving to lead pastor is scheduled for April 7, during the morning worship service. Cliff Brubaker, Regional Pastor, will be joining us and bringing the message. There will be a celebration reception in the lobby following the service. We look forward to seeing everyone at this special occasion!

Pastor Alvin Yoder – Pastor Alvin and Ruth Ann will be in California for three weeks visiting family and doing some MDS volunteer work. They will return April 9.

Camp Luz Summer Camp Camperships Available - Summer camp registration is now open on the Camp Luz website <https://www.campluz.com/summer-camp.html>. This year the Missions Committee is offering camperships to any youth wanting to attend camp. If campers can pay \$50 of the registration fee, the balance of the cost will be provided from the Missions Fund. Campers are encouraged to register before April 10 so that early bird rate is applied. Please contact Amy Hinton, Office Administrator, once you have made the \$50 deposit so the remaining balance can be sent to Camp Luz.

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Vacation Bible School – Vacation Bible School will take place July 28-August 1. If anyone is interested in assisting with Vacation Bible School this year, please contact Nikki Hull.

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.

Relay for Life of Madison and Union Counties 2019 – Sharon Mennonite Church is once again a sponsor for Relay for Life, being held Saturday, June 8, 2019, from 6 to midnight at Jonathan Alder High School. Pastor Vickie is our Chairperson. Please see her for details, donations, and luminaries, You can go on line at www.relayforlife.org/madisoncounty and type in Sharon Mennonite Church and make your donations, order luminaries and more. PLEASE, we all know of a friend or family member that is affected by Cancer; let's rally behind SMC in their effort to support our community and this important cause. As cancer survivors both Bob and I will be walking and would appreciate having you walk with us on the track (one lap or more.....).

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

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 and follow the link to the registration page.

Kairos Ministry – Steph France of the Kairos Ministry will be at Sharon today to distribute cookie bags for chocolate chip cookies to be taken to the Madison Correctional Facility in London, OH. They request that each bag to be filled with 2 dozen chocolate chip cookies (no nuts or raisins). Pick up will be 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.

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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.

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 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/.

SWAP volunteers urgently needed – MCC's Sharing With Appalachia People (SWAP) program has an urgent need for volunteer groups and individuals. Summer will be here before we know it, so make your summer plans now to join SWAP in Kentucky or West Virginia. Don't miss out on your chance to serve with this home repair ministry while learning about life in Appalachia. Individuals or groups, including families, adults or youth can volunteer to serve for week-long opportunities. For more information about bringing a group to SWAP, visit swap.mcc.org or contact Angela Maggard at AppalachiaAdmin@mcc.org or 606-633-5065.

Youth Venture – Attention Youth ages 15-22: Wishing your summer looked a little more global? Join a team of peers to explore and engage in the movement of God in Peru, Benin, and Indonesia. Youth Venture still has openings available for trips in July. Ready to jump in? Check out MennoniteMission.Net/YouthVenture, or contact Lauren at 574-523-3022 for more information. ***Hurry! Application deadline is April 1.***

“Blessed Hunger, Holy Feast “ Lent at-home resources – *May God's face shine through us and make us a blessing even after we blow out this third Lent candle.* This prayer for today comes from the **“Blessed Hunger, Holy Feast” Lent at-home resources**. Find more prayers, readings, activities and pondering thoughts at mennoniteusa.org/lent2019.