



**Lent 1: Show Us Your Hiding
Place In the Thick of
Temptation
Matthew 4:1-11**

March 1, 2020

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

Welcome Center: Gwen Troyer
Greeters: Gwen Troyer
Nursery: Volunteers Needed

*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 Pat Anderson and Marjorie Schlabach

Welcome

Bible Memory Verse Psalm 32:1-2

*'Blessed is the one whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered.
Blessed is the one whose sin the Lord does not count against them and in whose
spirit is no deceit.'*

Call to Worship Cliff Troyer

Worship in Song "Open The Eyes Of My Heart" Dennis Graber, Becky Yoder, Danny Casey, Nancy Yoder

*WB 521 "Come, Thou Fount"
STJ 106 "Just A Closer Walk With
Thee"*

PRESENTING OUR GIFTS

Offertory "Change My Heart, O God" Dennis Graber and
(General Fund) Danny Casey

HEARING THE WORD

Children's Corner Pastor Jared Chase
Scripture Matthew 4:1-11

Message Lent 1: Show Us Your Hiding Place In the Thick of Temptation Pastor Jared Chase

Response "You Never Let Go" Dennis Graber, Becky Yoder, Danny Casey

SENDING FORTH

Announcements
Sharing and Congregational Prayer Pastor Jared Chase

Benedictory STJ 73 "The Lord Lift You Up" Dennis Graber, Becky Yoder, Danny Casey
Song

TODAY

No activities scheduled

THIS WEEKS CALENDAR

Wednesday, 7:00 p.m.

Thursday, 9:30 a.m.

Friday, 9:30 a.m.

Saturday, 8:30 a.m.

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Family Church Night

Quilting and Other Projects

Busy Bees

Ladies' Fellowship Breakfast

2020 Annual Conference Assembly,
Sharon Mennonite Church Hosting

UPCOMING EVENTS

March 8, 9:00 a.m.

March 11, 7:00 p.m.

March 12, 9:30 a.m.

March 18, 7:00 p.m.

March 19-23

March 19, 9:30 a.m.

March 20, 9:30 a.m.

March 21, 9:00 a.m.

March 24, 6:30 p.m.

March 25, 6:00 p.m.

March 26, 9:30 a.m.

March 30-April 3

Youth Breakfast Fundraiser

Family Church Night

Quilting and Other Projects

Family Church Night

Pastor Jared Out of Office, Vacation

Quilting and Other Projects

Busy Bees

Food Pantry Delivery

Youth Planning Meeting

Family Church Night (Carry-In Prior)

Quilting and Other Projects

Office Administrator Out of Office

NEXT SUNDAY

Next week Bob Yoder of AMBS will be preaching. The offering will be for the Missions Fund.

Greeters: Derrick and Becky Yoder

Nursery: Derrick and Becky Yoder

Last Sunday's Sunday School Attendance:

55

Last Sunday's Service Attendance:

104

Last Sunday's Offering:

\$3,709.00 (General Fund)



UPCOMING EVENTS

March 8, 9:00 a.m.

Youth Breakfast Fundraiser

March 8, 6:00 p.m.

Ignite

March 21, 9:00 a.m.

Food Pantry Delivery

March 29, 6:00 p.m.

Ignite

NOTICES

Stations of the Cross – Sharon Mennonite Church will have Stations of the Cross again this year from April 9 through April 11. We would like to give Families, Sunday School classes, or other small groups the opportunity to participate in setting up the stations. A signup sheet will be set up the foyer for the next four Sundays. The plan is to complete the rooms April 6-8. If you have any questions, please contact Rick Griest 614 653-9301 or harvey6760@yahoo.com.

Primary Age Children Music Group – An opportunity is being planned for primary aged children to gather together to sing and explore music with one another. Dennis Graber and Becky Yoder have expressed an interest to be facilitators. This group plans to meet for the first time on Wednesday, March 11 at 7:00 pm in The Gathering Place. Parents are encouraged to bring their child(ren) to explore the possibilities. Dennis and Becky are looking to facilitate this opportunity for children four years and older. We would love it if there was more anticipated interest in this group. If that is the case, there is a possibility of a need for more leadership to accommodate multiple groups. This is a true team effort aimed at involving our children and intending to engage them in the love of God and music as an expression of what God is doing in their lives.

Volunteers Needed! – Thank you to those who have stepped up to help with the positions of Vacation Bible School Coordinator and Christmas Program Coordinator! We are still in need of volunteers for Church Librarian and Junior Department Coordinator (current need is April through August). These positions were not signed up for during our last ministry fair. If you have any questions, please reach out to Sarah Chase or Grace Sims who are the Christian Education Team Leads. Thanks!

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Quilting and Other Projects – If you are attending the Quilting group on Thursdays, please note that lunch will not be provided during the month of March. Please bring a sack lunch if you will be attending during that time.

DNA is hiring! – The DNA Community Center is a faith-based organization located in Plain City and we are looking to hire a part-time volunteer coordinator to work approximately 10 hours per week. To learn about the position please visit www.dnaplaincity.org and check out the *In The News* section. DNA is committed to walking alongside those in the greater Plain City area who are most vulnerable. Where poverty, mental illness, addiction, and societal breakdowns exist hopelessness is prevalent. God's heart is for the broken-hearted and poor and out of this deep-seated belief, we act to provide a nurturing community that meets physical needs while ministering to spiritual and relational deficits. Our goal is to empower people to grow by providing tools, encouragement, and community as we walk with them towards Christ.

Camp Luz Mother Daughter Retreat – The Camp Luz Mother Daughter Retreat is March 20-21. Mother Daughter duo, Miriam Zehr and Sherah-Leigh Gerber will be exploring the theme "Feasting Together." Additional information and registration is available at www.campluz.com and in the brochures under the mailboxes.

Voices Together – *Voices Together*, a new worship and song collection coming fall 2020 from MennoMedia, in partnership with Mennonite Church USA and Mennonite Church Canada, features songs and worship resources in over 40 languages. Learn why this is important to us as a church in Katie Graber's blog, "Why and how should we sing interculturally?" mennoniteusa.org/sing-interculturally.

Remember in prayer and praise this week
March 1, 2020 – March 7, 2020

Rejoice with Phillip & Rachel Whitley who are celebrating their anniversary this week.

Rejoice with Jerry Whitmer, Carol Van Donk, Beth Goode, Katherine Kopec, Missy Snyder, Lindsey Yoder, and Phil Raber who are celebrating their birthdays this week.

Remember in prayer:

- Phyllis Calle, Betty Hostetler, Pat Kuhns, Andy Mayer, Shaun Miller, Kelly Lavy, Bobby Moore, Loretta Wagler, Charlie Wiese, Emily Harris, Matthew Bauer, Cathy Rocco, Ruth Ann Beachy, Joe Russell, Fred Headings and our family and friends living with cancer, its treatments and other long-term illnesses.
- Alvin & Edna Kaufman, Ed & Emma Miller, Shannon Russell, Mabel Yoder, Mary Yutzy, Elvin Sommers, and Alice Yutzy who are homebound.
- Doug Theiss – Please be in prayer for Doug Theiss, KC's father, as he continues to recover from surgery last week. Pray for healing and a complete recovery.
- Kramer Family – Please be in prayer for the Kramer Family. John Kramer, a family friend of Fred and Debbie Yoder, passed away on Monday, February 17. Pray for peace and comfort for his family.
- Ross Family – Please be in prayer for the family of Gretchen Lane, the mother of Emily Ross. The Ross family are close friends of church office Administrator Amy Hinton. Gretchen passed on Friday after battling cancer for several years. Pray for strength, comfort, and peace for the family.
- Hostetler Family – Steve Hostetler, brother of John and Rose, passed away Sunday, February 9 after a battle with cancer. Please continue to be in prayer for his family
- Fred Headings – Please continue to be in prayer for Fred as he returned to the James after experiencing complications from his cancer treatments. Continue to lift him up in prayer as well as Mary and Jeff as they are experiencing some complications from the flu. Please continue to pray for healing for them all.

Prayer Requests, continued (page 2)

- **Prayer Request for Annual Conference Assembly** – Ohio Conference invites you to cover its upcoming Annual Conference Assembly on March 7 in prayer. Please pray for the organizers as they finalize details, Lynn Miller as he moderates the business sessions, and all those that have a part in the event. May the Lord's Spirit be present.
- **Mennonite Mission Network** – Africa Inter-Mennonite Mission and Mennonite Mission Network, partner agencies, praise God for the success of the Congo Mennonite Literacy Project and the hope it gives to the 3,000 people (mostly women) who have learned to read. Pray that leaders will be given the resources they need to continue this work.
- **Mennonite Education Agency requests prayer for Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary (Elkhart, Indiana)** – Pray for participants in and leaders of “Shaping Faith in a Digital Culture” – a joint conference of Pastors and leaders 2020 (AMBS) and Deep Faith (Mennonite Church USA) held this week – as they think together biblically and theologically about living, worshiping, and playing in digital spaces.
- **Mennonite Church USA Prayer Request** – Please pray for the Allegheny Mennonite Conference: Spring Faith and Life Gathering and the Ohio conference meeting taking place this Saturday.

Many concerns are too personal to share, or timing is not appropriate; let us remember to pray for one another and unmentioned prayer requests.

Sharon Mennonite Church Council and Ministry Team Leaders

Finance and Facilities Council

Mark Bailey (Elder)

Gwen Troyer (At-large)

Cami Beachy (At-large)

Dave Montgomery (At-large)

Darryl Miller (Trustee)

Gary Hostetler (Trustee)

Dan Yoder (Trustee)

Carolyn Kopec (Treasurer)

Maria Lichtle (Treasurer)

Jared Chase (Pastor)

Walter Campbell (Associate Pastor)

Worship Team Leaders

Nikki Shoemaker (Lead)

Babs Graber (Assistant)

Missions Team Leaders

Rick Griest (Lead)

Sue Hostetler (Assistant)

Congregational Care Team Leaders

Bobbi Watkins (Lead)

Beth Whitmer (Assistant)

Youth Ministry Team Leaders

Megan Colwell (Lead)

Johnathan Beachy (Assistant)

Christian Education Team Leaders

Sarah Chase (Lead)

Grace Sims (Assistant)