
SERMON NOTES



BERLIN

Mennonite Church

Rooted in Jesus. Growing in Faith. Branching out in Love.

January 29, 2017

Gathering of God's People . . .

Opening Song: HWB #546 "Guide My Feet"

Welcome

Announcements

Call to Worship/Invocation

Praising God's Name . . .

HWB #226 "You Are Salt for The Earth"

STS #34 "You Are Holy"

Psalm 15

"Oceans"

Offering Ourselves and Our Gifts

Pastoral Prayer

Hearing God's Word . . .

Scripture: Matthew 5:1-12

Message: "Leadership Matters!"

Responding...

STJ #94 "Blest Are They"

Dedication of the MDS Building

Benediction

If you have a prayer concern or need, you are encouraged to contact

Myron Weaver, Jeff Hochstetler, or one of the

Spiritual Leadership Team (SLT) members, either after worship today

or during the week. SLT members are:

Bob Habeger, Brenda Hummel, Ralph King and Leon Miller.

CONTACT INFORMATION

Berlin Mennonite Church - BOX 217 - Berlin, Ohio 44610

Church Phone: 330-893-2320

Office Hours: Monday-Friday 9AM-3PM

Connie (Secretary) - Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday; 9am-3pm

Myron (Pastor) - Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday; 9am-3pm

Jeff (Family Life Pastor) Monday-Thursday 9am-3pm

Website: www.berlinmennonite.org

One Call Now (phone messages) - 1-877-698-3261

Online Calendars – dates.berlinmennonite.org; youth.berlinmennonite.org

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ATTENDANCE & OFFERING LAST SUNDAY

Worship: 201
General Fund: \$6,146.03

Sunday School: 118
MCC Meat Canning: \$1,075.00

EVENTS AT A GLANCE:

February 1, 8, 15, 22- Family Night, 6pm
February 8- Ladies Sewing, 8:30am
February 13- BMC Family Night at New Grounds, 4-7pm
February 14- Meeting Night, 7pm; Council, 8pm

OUR WORSHIP LEADERS FOR TODAY'S SERVICE

Message: Terry Shue *Worship Leader:* Inga Troyer
Song Leader: Vaughn Troyer *Offertory:* Ralph King
Usher: Myron Schlabach *Usher Next Sunday:* Hank Raber
Audio: Dustin Yoder *Visual:* Tyler Schrock *PowerPoint:* Suzanne Kalman
Worship Nursery: Emily Miller & Talia Miller
Worship Nursery Next Sunday: Kelsey Hochstetler & Karina Yoder
Greeters: Shawn & Tracy Courson
Greeters Next Sunday: Roger & Pat Dunn

PRAYER REQUESTS

Physical Needs: Bruce Hummel, Mary Ann Kandel, Susan Kurtz, Dave Miller, Leona Miller, Marcia Miller, Ivan Stutzman, Sylvia Stutzman, Susan Sullivan, Mary Sundheimer, Steve Troyer (Ralph & Velma's son), Braelyn Weaver, Katie Wengerd.

Walnut Hills Nursing Home Residents: Fred Augsburger, Dean Hummel, Clare Martin, Lizzie Ann Miller (Jewell Bontrager & Betty Troyer's mother), Ruth Mullet, Eileen Stutzman, Ivan Stutzman, Sylvia Stutzman.

Pray for our Mission Partners: MMN: Laura Schlabach, Tonya Starner, Gary & Martine Wittig; MAF: Rod & Valerie Hochstetler; Harvest Aviation: Ronny & Denise Ereksen;

Families In Focus: Please pray specifically this week for Ruth Mullet, Sheila Mullet & children, and Tom & Sharon Mullet.

Mennonite Mission Network Prayer Request: Mary Raber of Mennonite Mission Network requests prayer for pastors who spend time in the militarized zones of eastern Ukraine and for the thousands of displaced people they serve. May God provide for the physical and spiritual resources for those who have suffered so much.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Next Sunday, February 5, we will be having a combined worship service with Millersburg Mennonite Church.** Following the service, we will be having a combined carry-in meal. Please bring a dish to share next Sunday.
- **Offering Reports:** The 2016 year giving statements are now available on the table by the secretary's office. You may find your statement by using the tithing number you were given last year. Please contact Tom Yoder or Connie Weaver if you have any questions regarding your year-end giving statements. Thank you for your generous commitment to the work of Jesus Christ through this church.
- **The MCC Meat Canning is coming to town.** This year's dates are January 31 - February 3 with the plans to can 30,000 lbs of turkey meat. The canning starts at 6am and goes into the afternoon at the usual building on the west side of Berlin. The meat is distributed to needy people both around the world and locally. The cost for supplies is \$85,000 which is raised totally by free-will church offerings. Please consider joining our neighboring Mennonite and Amish churches by volunteering and donating financially to this project.
- **STEPHEN MINISTERS NEEDED:** Our congregation's Stephen Ministry will be offering a new training class for Stephen Ministers which will begin in March. It's not too soon to consider whether God is calling YOU to be a part of this valuable ministry! If you want to find out more about this one-to-one caregiving ministry, please contact the church office.
- **Family Nights begin THIS Wednesday and continue through March 15.** Dinner begins at 6pm. The children's program will begin at 6:45pm in the sanctuary followed by stations until 8pm. There will be crafts for grades 2-3 and grades 4-6 will make pinewood derby racers. Preschool through grade 1 will have their own classes with a Bible lesson and a craft. Childcare for infants up to preschool will be provided. Needed are volunteers for these roles. The theme, schedule and a list of sign-ups for volunteers are on the bulletin board in the foyer beside the secretary's office. Please join us for these fun evenings as we learn about God and work on wood projects together.
- **Janice Hershberger will be leading a workshop on goal-setting at Martins Creek Mennonite Church on Monday, February 6th beginning at 6:30pm.** This is a Stephen Minister Continuing Education session, but is also open to all church members who would like to attend. Janice will be presenting on how to set manageable goals, how we can help others set goals, why goal-setting is helpful, and ways to work at accomplishing our own goals while helping others accomplish theirs. Please join us.
- **February 12, we will take time during the worship service to bless Mike and Dayna** for their years of service to our church. Following the service, we will plan on a carry-in meal. Please bring a dish to share with others.
- **Beginning February 12th, Myron will offer a membership class during the Sunday School hour for those who are interested in becoming members at Berlin Mennonite.** Please see one of the pastoral staff if you are interested. A class will also be offered during the Lenten Session for those who have interest in baptism. We at Berlin Mennonite believe that the baptism with water is a sign of our cleansing from sin. Baptism is also a pledge before the church of our covenant with God to walk in the way of Jesus Christ through the power of the Holy Spirit. Believers are baptized into Christ and his body by the Spirit, water, and blood. Baptism classes will run through Lent and the baptismal service will take place after Easter. If you would like to declare your allegiance to Christ through the public act of baptism, please contact one of the pastoral staff.