
SERMON NOTES



BERLIN
Mennonite Church
Rooted in Jesus. Growing in Faith. Branching out in Love.

October 14, 2018

Listening to the Voice of God

FAITH TALK

Exodus 7:1–13:16: “Let my people go”

Here are some ways to nurture faith at home based on this week’s story. For preschool children, use the “For families” page in the Early Childhood leaflet.

- (1) Read Exodus 10:3. What is humility? Why do you think Pharaoh refused to be humble?
- 2) Exodus 8:3 tells some places the frogs appeared. Hide stickers or notes of encouragement in some of those places.
- (3) Each plague gave Pharaoh a chance to do the right thing. When have you wanted another chance to do the right thing?

Did you know? Which of the plague insects was the smallest? <gnats, less than 1/8 in / 3 mm long>

Prayer for the week: God, bring freedom to suffering people in _____ (country or region). Amen.

CONTACT INFORMATION

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Walt (Intentional Interim Pastor) – Wednesdays 12-4; Friday 9-4

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Gathering of God’s People...

Opening Song: HWB #50: “Praise the Lord, Sing Hallelujah”

Welcome

Announcements

Introduction of Walt Morton, Intentional Interim Pastor

Call to Worship/Invocation

Praising God’s Name . . .

“Bless the Lord O My Soul”

Psalm 97

FHP #34: “How Great Thou Art”

Offering Ourselves and Our Gifts

Congregational Prayer

Hearing God’s Word . . .

Scripture: John 17: 20-26

Message: Jesus Last Prayer

Responding...

“The Table”

STS #39: “Will You Come and Follow Me?”

Communion and Footwashing

“Remembrance” (Communion Song)

STS #95: “Jesus Has Done So Much For Me”

Benediction

OUR WORSHIP LEADERS FOR TODAY'S SERVICE

Sermon: **Jeff Hochstetler** *Worship Leader:* **Jodi Miller**

Song Leader: **Jesse Miller**

Offertory: **Ralph and Co.**

Usher: **Marion Yoder**

Audio & Visual: **Seth Cady/Tony Yoder** *PowerPoint:* **Rochelle Cady**

Greeters: **Paul & Carol Miller** *Next Week:* **Bob & Susan Slagle**

Nursery This Sunday: **Kelsey Hochstetler and Sheila Mullet**

Nursery Next Week: **Jill Basinger and Lindsay & Michael Stutzman**

ATTENDANCE & OFFERING LAST SUNDAY

Worship: 142 **Sunday School: Not available**

General Fund: \$9,480.00 **Mongolia: \$25.00**

Nicaragua: \$200.00 **Alexis: \$100.00**

EVENTS AT A GLANCE:

October 16 – 9:30 – 11:00 – Women's Bible Study

October 24 – Family Night 6-8 pm

October 31 – Family Night 6-8 pm

November 4 – Daylight Savings Time Ends

November 7 – Family Night 6-8 pm

November 9 – Bluegrass Gospel 6-8 pm

Health Needs: Lorene Maxwell, Ed Kline, Mary Ann Kandel, Dave Miller, Geri Morgan, Norm Shank, Bob Slagle, Ivan Stutzman, Susan Sullivan, Karina Yoder.

Walnut Hills Nursing Home Residents: Dean Hummel, Clare Martin, Eileen Stutzman, Ivan Stutzman, Katie Wengerd, Joe Yoder.

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

Families in Focus: Please pray specifically this week Maynard & Emily Miller and family; Merle & Linda Miller and family.

Mennonite Mission Network Prayer Request: Join Mennonite Mission Network in praising God for Southern African Development and Reconstruction Agency's Conflict Transformation program and its success in training peer mediators in high schools. Pray for the youth who build peace in violent situations, and for trainers Dan and Kathryn Smith Derksen as they work alongside SADRA's director, Oscar Siwali.

If you have a prayer concern or need, you are encouraged to contact Walt Morton, Jeff Hochstetler, or one of the Elder Team either after worship or during the week. Elder Team members are: Carol Gerber, Becky Kandel, Ralph King, Leon Miller, Michael Stutzman and Vaughn Troyer.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Please note Pastor Walt** is unable to be in the office this week. He will be away through Friday (Oct. 15-19) for a continuing educational/leadership growth experience west of Chicago with Lombard Peace Center and then on for a brief visit with his daughter (Deb), son-in-law and grandson in Davenport, Iowa and son (Tim) in Chicago.
- **Wednesday Family Nights** will take place this fall week and continues through November 14. The meal will begin at 6 pm with activities for all ages from 7-8 pm. This week we will enjoy a time of intergenerational games. Men's 1 is providing the meal.
- **The annual business meeting** will take place today following a carry-in meal after the service. We invite all to attend.
- **Take a moment to check** your calendar for birthday and anniversaries. Any updates needed for the 2019 Church calendar maybe be dropped off at the church Secretary's office before October 15.
- **Berlin Mennonite will again collect** laundry detergent to assist the Share-A-Christmas program. All donations need to be at church no later Sunday, November 26. Any questions may be directed to Jr. Schlabach.
- **Please remember to bring your** donations for the MCC Sewing Kits before the end of October. A complete list of items needed is in the lobby.
- **The Mongolia Mission Partnership** Banquet is scheduled for Monday, October 22 at 6:30 at the Carlisle Inn in Walnut Creek. Guest Speaker is Mike Sherrill from MMN. The meal is free, but you must sign up. Sign up sheet on bulletin board in foyer. Deadline is October 14.
- **Marriage for Life 2019** registration opens November 1. This year's conference will be held at the new Encore Hotel in Berlin the weekend of February 1-3, 2019. Contact Barry or Brenda Hummel for more information.
- **Camp Luz will be hosting** a Fall Festival Fundraiser on October 21. Activities start at 3 pm, pulled pork dinner by donation, *Honeytown* concert at 5 pm and pie auction at 6:15. All proceeds support the ministry of Camp Luz.
- **Many thanks are extended** for prayers and concerns for my renewed health.
– Ethel Mumaw.