
SERMON NOTES



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

November 4, 2018

Developing Intimacy with God

FAITH TALK

Exodus 24:12–18; 32:1–34:10: “The golden calf”

Here are some ways to nurture faith at home based on this week’s story.*

- (1) Read Exodus 34:6. Imagine God loving you and your family.
- (2) Show something that was broken and has been repaired. Or, fix something that is broken.
- (3) God gave the Israelites a second chance. Talk about a time when you were angry with someone. Did you forgive that person?

*Preschool children have a “For families” page in the Early Childhood leaflet for the story “In the wilderness.”

Did you know? In Hebrew, the original language of the Old Testament, the Ten Commandments are called _____. <The ten words>

Prayer for the week: Merciful God, forgive us for times when we do wrong. Amen.

CONTACT INFORMATION

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Office Hours: Monday-Friday 9AM-3PM

Betty (Secretary) - Monday, Wednesday, and Friday 9am-3pm

Walt (Intentional Interim Pastor) Wed, Thurs he will be at conference meeting

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

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Gathering of God’s People...

Opening Songs: “Open the Eyes of My Heart Lord”

“Cornerstone”

Welcome

Announcements

Call to Worship/Invocation

Praising God’s Name . . .

“Love the Lord your God”

“Together”

Psalm 24

“You are my King (Amazing Love)”

Offering Ourselves and Our Gifts

Congregational Prayer

Hearing God’s Word . . .

Scripture: Mark 12:28-34

“Won’t you be my neighbor?”

Responding...

STS 39 – “Will you come and follow me?”

Benediction

OUR WORSHIP LEADERS FOR TODAY'S SERVICE

Sermon: Jeff Hochstetler *Worship Leader: Michael Stutzman*

Song Leader: Vaughn Troyer *Offertory: Grace Schlabach* *Usher: Jr Schlabach*

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

Today Greeters:

Hal & Geri Morgan

Nursery This Sunday:

Emily Miller and Rachel & Carson Miller

Greeter Next Week:

Tom & Sharon Mullet

Nursery Next Week:

Kelsey Hochstetler & Sheila Mullet

ATTENDANCE & OFFERING LAST SUNDAY

Worship: 149 **Sunday School: 83**

General Fund: \$6,006.14

EVENTS AT A GLANCE:

November 7 – Family Night, 6-8 pm

November 11 – MYF Auction

November 12 – BMC at New Grounds, 4-7 pm

November 13 – Meeting Night 7 pm; Council 8 pm

November 14 – Ladies Sewing, 8:30 am; Family Night, 6-8 pm

November 17 – Surviving Holidays GriefShare event 9 am to noon

Health Needs: Sophie Miller, Ralph King, Ed Kline, Lorene Maxwell, 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, and Mary Ann Kandel.

Pray for our Mission Partners: MMN: Laura Schlabach, Tonya Starner, Gary & Martine Wittig; MAF: Rod & Valerie Hochstetler; RAM – Nicaraguan families.

Families in Focus: Please pray specifically this week: Hal & Geri Morgan; Sheila Mullet and family; Tom & Sharon Mullet.

Mennonite Mission Network Prayer Request: Mennonite Mission Network requests prayer for Petrus and Yuliana Handoyo and their two sons who minister through educational ministries in Cambodia. May they share the good news of Jesus' love among Buddhist students through words and through modeling healthy family relationships.

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 take a moment to check** your information for the Church Directory. A copy is available in the lobby until November 11 in preparation for the publication of the 2019 edition. Make your corrections know to the office either in written form or to secretary@berlinmennonite.org.

The church office will be publishing the annual college student directory. All college students, or their parents, are encouraged to submit the university name, address, telephone number, email, and status (Freshman, etc.) to the office as soon as possible. Please acknowledge even if the information has not changed from last year. You can do by emailing secretary@berlinmennonite.org or by calling the office.

- **Wednesday Family Nights** will take place this fall week and continue through November 14. The meal will begin at 6 pm with activities for all ages from 7-8 pm. Adults will meet with Walt (Continuing the discussion on automatic functions) and classes will be available for children. Sojourner's SS class is providing lasagna and garlic bread for the meal. Please bring salad or dessert to share.

- **GriefShare: Grieving? Know someone** who is? When you are grieving a loved one's death, the holidays season can be especially painful. *Surviving the Holidays* seminar helps participants discover how to deal with emotions, what to do about traditions, tips for surviving social events, and how to find hope for the future. Please join us for this encouraging morning, Saturday, November 17 from 9 am to noon. There is no cost to attend and lunch will be provided by Boyd and Worthman. RSVP to the church office by Sunday, November 11.

- **Berlin Mennonite continues to collect** laundry detergent to assist the Share-A-Christmas program. All donations need to be at church no later Sunday, November 26. Currently we have 110 and need a total of 300. Any questions may be directed to Jr. Schlabach.

- **Marriage for Life 2019** registration is open for the February 1-3, 2019 event. Berlin Mennonite will offer to cover the \$60 registration fee for the first 10 couples to contact the church office. There are 10 rooms each for the Fri/Sat, Feb. 1-2 and Sat./Sun. Feb. 2-3 sessions to choose from. Contact Brenda or Barry Hummel for more information.