
SERMON NOTES



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

April 30, 2017

Gathering of God's People . . .

Opening Song: HWB #12 "Come Let Us All Unite to Sing"
Welcome
Announcements
Call to Worship/Invocation

Praising God's Name . . .

"My Lighthouse"
"Oceans"
Psalm 96:1-4a
HWB #389 "Take My Life"
Offering Ourselves and Our Gifts
Pastoral Prayer

Hearing God's Word . . .

Scripture: Acts 26:12-18; John 15: 1-17
Message: "Get up. Stand on your Feet."
STS #39 "Will You Come and Follow Me"
Ordination
Jeff's Sharing

Responding...

HWB #118 "Praise God from Whom"

Benediction and Prayer for the Meal

If you have a prayer concern or need, you are encouraged to contact Myron Weaver, Jeff Hochstetler, or one of the Elder Team members, either after worship today or during the week. Elder Team members are:
Bob Habeger, Brenda Hummel, Ralph King and Leon Miller.



FAITH TALK

Exodus 1:1–2:10: "Moses is born"

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

- (1) Read Exodus 2:1–10. Why do you think Pharaoh's daughter took Moses as her son?
- (2) Moses' life was rescued because of a number of brave women. Who is the bravest woman you have known?
- (3) Search online for pictures of the Egyptian papyrus plant.

Did you know? In ancient Egypt, the papyrus plant was used to make _____.
(baskets, boats, rope, paper, mats, and sandals)

Prayer for the week *God, when we are afraid, give us the courage we need. Amen.*

CONTACT INFORMATION

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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

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OUR WORSHIP LEADERS FOR TODAY'S SERVICE

Message: **Duane Beck** *Worship Leader:* **Myron Weaver**
Song Leader: **Jesse Miller** *Offertory:* **Quintet**
Usher: **Rick Brand** *Usher Next Sunday:* **Myron Schlabach**
Audio: **Hunter Yoder** *Visual:* **Tony Yoder** *PowerPoint:* **Josh Schlabach**
Worship Nursery: **Karina Yoder & Denise Anderson**
Worship Nursery Next Sunday: **Kelsey Hochstetler & Karina Yoder**
Greeters: **Richard & Dawn Krier**
Greeters Next Sunday: **Mark Leinbach & Marlea Hershberger**

ATTENDANCE & OFFERING LAST SUNDAY

Worship: 196 **Sunday School: 82**
General Fund: \$4,620.90

EVENTS AT A GLANCE:

May 1- Stephen Ministers Supervision Group, 7:00pm
May 3- Stephen Ministers Supervision Group, 9:00am
May 8- BMC Family Night at New Grounds, 4-7pm
May 9- Meeting Night, 7pm; Council, 8pm
May 10- Ladies Sewing, 8:30am
May 14- Central Christian's Concert Choir at BMC, 7:00pm

PRAYER REQUESTS

Physical Needs: Orris Basinger, Susan Kurtz, Dave Miller, Marcia Miller, Ivan Stutzman, Sylvia Stutzman, Susan Sullivan, Mary Sundheimer, Sam Troyer, Steve Troyer (Ralph & Velma's son), Braelyn Weaver, Katie Wengerd, Joe Yoder.

Walnut Hills Nursing Home Residents: 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 Starnier, Gary & Martine Wittig; MAF: Rod & Valerie Hochstetler; Harvest Aviation: Ronny & Denise Erikson;

Families in Focus: Please pray specifically this week for David & Nichole Troyer and family; James & Katie Troyer and family; Jeremy & Kara Troyer and family.

Mennonite Mission Network Prayer Request: The Centro de Estudios, a ministry of the Spanish-speaking Mennonite congregations in Uruguay, develops church leaders and strengthens their Anabaptist identity. Mennonite Mission Network requests prayer for this mobile study program that travels to bivocational leaders' locations and permits them to study evenings after work.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Welcome:** This morning we welcome the families and friends of Jeff & Kelsey Hochstetler. We are glad that you have chosen to join us on this important day in their lives. We especially welcome Duane and Lois Beck. Duane, who mentored Jeff, will be bringing the morning message. We invite all guests to join us for a fellowship meal following the morning worship.
- **Stephen Ministers:** Walnut Creek Mennonite will be having a guest speaker, Rachele Miller, Monday, May 1st, 6:30pm, community is invited. Topic: Substance Abuse and Sex Addiction. Stephen Ministers are encouraged to attend.
- **The Elder Team nominations** will be taken Sunday, May 7th. Please prayerfully consider the names of those you wish to nominate for this important leadership role within our congregation.
- **Baptism Students:** On Sunday May 7th, the following students will join the body of Christ at Berlin Mennonite through baptism: Kate Bodiker, Braheim Omran, Yasser Omran, Colton Sommers, Noah Sommers, and Jared Yoder. Will you pray for them in the coming weeks as they prepare for this time where they commit their lives to the Kingdom of God and to the Body of Christ, here at Berlin Mennonite Church.
- **Join the church softball team!** We plan on playing in Dover's church league softball. Games will be played either Thursday or Friday night from May through August. The league is co-ed, so all adults are welcome. Cost is \$20/person. Sign up on the bulletin board.
- **GRADUATES:** Graduation Recognition Sunday will be held Sunday, May 21st during the worship hour. All college and high school graduates please turn in a photo and bio to the Church Office before May 7. The information can be emailed to secretary@berlinmennonite.org.
- **The Women of Influence presents Heal Our Families** on Saturday, May 6, 2017 from 9:00am-3:00pm at The Pier. Tickets are \$50. You can contact Verna Stutzman for more information.
- **Vacation Bible School:** VBS is quickly approaching and we are looking for volunteers. Please check the sign-up sheet beside Connie's office. Registration for students ages 4 through grade 6 begins Sunday May 21.
- **Berlin Mennonite is celebrating 100 years and we invite you to join the celebration!** To kick-off the celebration year you are invited to join us for a picnic on Saturday, September 16 from 4-8 p.m. The evening will be filled with a food, music, memories, children's activities, and fellowship. The night will end with a hymn sing led by Tim Shue at 7:00 p.m. You are also invited to join us for a special worship service on Sunday, September 17 from 9-11 a.m. followed by a carry-in meal. Please join us as we celebrate the hand of God at work throughout a century at Berlin Mennonite Church. If you have any memorabilia that pertains to the history of Berlin Mennonite church (photos, letters, books etc.) we would love if you would share those with us. Please contact the church office at 330-893-2300 or email us at connie@berlinmennonite.org.