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## SERMON NOTES

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

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### June 4, 2017

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#### Gathering of God's People . . .

Opening Song: HWB #26 "Holy Spirit, Come with Power"  
Welcome  
Announcements  
Moment in Missions: MEDA, Bethany Nussbaum  
Call to Worship/Invocation

#### Praising God's Name . . .

HWB #46 "I Sing the Mighty Power of God"  
"All Who Are Thirsty"  
Psalm 104:24-34  
"Holy Spirit"  
Offering Ourselves and Our Gifts  
Pastoral Prayer

#### Hearing God's Word . . .

Scripture: Acts 2: 1-12; 38-42  
Message: "Palpable Pentecost: Feeling the Holy Spirit"

#### Responding...

STJ #61 "How Can We Be Silent"  
Selena Herrera Commissioning  
Prayer for Talia Miller

#### Benediction

**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.



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## FAITH TALK

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### Genesis 24: "God leads Rebekah"

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

- (1) Read Genesis 24:12. What do you pray for each day?
- (2) Talk about making decisions. What are easy decisions? What are hard decisions? What helps you decide?
- (3) Rebekah got water for ten thirsty camels. When have you freely offered help to someone?

**Did you know?** How much water can a thirsty camel drink in about 13 minutes?  
(30 gallons / 135 litres)

**Prayer for the week:** *God, we love you and trust that you will guide us today. Amen.*

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## CONTACT INFORMATION

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

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

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## OUR WORSHIP LEADERS FOR TODAY'S SERVICE

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*Guest Speaker:* **Susan Schultz Huxman**    *Worship Leader:* **Ralph King**  
*Song Leader:* **Vaughn Troyer**            *Offertory:* **Grace Schlabach**  
*Usher:* **Dennis Weaver**    *Usher Next Sunday:* **Allan Miller**  
*Audio:* **Dustin Yoder**    *Visual:* **Hunter Yoder**    *PowerPoint:* **Josh Schlabach**  
*Worship Nursery:* **Kelsey Hochstetler & Karina Yoder**  
*Worship Nursery Next Sunday:* **Carson & Rachel Miller & Mary Jane Chupp**  
*Greeters:* **Carson & Rachel Miller**  
*Greeters Next Sunday:* **Jesse & Lisa Miller**

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## ATTENDANCE & OFFERING LAST SUNDAY

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**Worship: 210**                      **Sunday School: 119**  
**General Fund: \$5,221.00**        **Fortress of Hope: \$335.00**  
**Student Aid: \$100.00**        **MYF: \$150.00**    **MDS: \$370.00**

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## EVENTS AT A GLANCE:

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June 4- Pentecost  
June 5- Stephen Ministries Supervision Group, 7:00pm  
June 7- Stephen Ministries Supervision Group, 9:00am  
June 11-15- Vacation Bible School 6-8:30pm  
June 12-BMC Family Night at New Grounds, 4-7pm  
June 17- Mongolian Breakfast, 7:30am, Farmstead  
June 18- Father's Day  
June 21- Ladies Sewing, 8:30  
July 4-8- MC USA Convention

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## PRAYER REQUESTS

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**Physical Needs:** Orris Basinger, Mary Ann Kandel, Susan Kurtz, Dave Miller, Marcia Miller, Ivan Stutzman, Sylvia Stutzman, Susan Sullivan, Mary Sundheimer, Sam Troyer, Steve Troyer (Ralph & Velma's son), 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 Starner, Gary & Martine Wittig; MAF: Rod & Valerie Hochstetler; Harvest Aviation: Ronny & Denise Erikson;

**Families in Focus:** Please pray specifically this week for Mark & Christal Woods and family; Arlene Yoder; Art & Jo Yoder and family.

**Mennonite Mission Network Prayer Request:** Mary Beyler began her ministry with Mennonite Mission Network in Kushiro, Japan, in 1974. Now, after working many years in Obihiro, she has returned to Kushiro for the final term of her mission career. Praise God for the relationships she has built for more than four decades, and pray for much joy as she serves.

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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- **Today we welcome** Dr. Susan Schultz Huxman. Dr. Huxman has served for more than 25 years in higher education in a variety of administrative and academic leadership roles. She has served as Eastern Mennonite University's president since Jan. 1, 2017. As a graduate of Bethel College with a degree in English, Dr. Huxman went on to specialize in communication at the University of Kansas. Since 2011, she was president of Conrad Grebel University College Waterloo, Canada. Previously, she was director of the Elliott School of Communication at Wichita State University. She has served on the board of Mennonite Education Agency (MEA) and of Western District Conference of Mennonite Church USA. A graduate of Bethel College, Dr. Huxman holds an M.A. and Ph.D. in communication studies from University of Kansas. Dr. Huxman has won numerous awards and recognition for teaching excellence when on the faculty at WSU and continues to teach and mentor at Conrad Grebel. She has published two dozen scholarly articles and book chapters and is co-author with Karlyn Kohrs Campbell of *The Rhetorical Act: Thinking, Speaking, and Writing Critically*, 5th ed. (2015) and editor of *Landmark Speeches on U. S. Pacifism*, Texas A & M University Press (2015). She and her husband, Jesse, have three adult children: Julia and son-in-law Trey Ronnebaum, Emily, and Connor.
- **Vacation Bible School:** Digging for Treasure: Parables Revealed. Join us for VBS at Berlin Mennonite June 11-15<sup>th</sup> from 6-8:30pm. Dig into vacation Bible school! Bible stories, games, crafts, snacks, and other activities will help us dig deeper to reveal the treasures in Jesus' parables. Registration forms are found on the table in the foyer. Please return to Marlea Leinbach.
- **Pledge forms** for the 2017-2018 school year for the Central Christian Student Aid Fund, College Student Aid Fund, and Seminary Student Aid Fund have been placed in each mailbox. They are also available on the table next to the church office. If you wish to make pledges for any of the student aid funds for the coming school please complete your pledge forms TODAY! Completed pledges can be placed in the mailboxes for Vaughn Troyer or Jill Basinger.
- **Brown Bag Thursday's** continue this Thursday, June 8<sup>th</sup> from 11am-1pm! Bring a bagged lunch and have lunch at the pavilion. This is a time to visit and meet with others from the community. Brown Bag Thursday's will take place each Thursday during June, July and August. On the third Thursday of each month there will be a food truck on site as an option to purchase lunch. Invite your friends, co-workers, and neighbors to join us!
- **Ladies Sewing:** Due to Vacation Bible School, Ladies Sewing will be held on Wednesday, June 21. Mary Ellen Gingerich will provide sandwiches and a cheese plate. Please bring a salad or dessert to share.
- **Relief Sale:** For the last number of years BMC has been coordinating the Children's Auction at the Relief Sale. The Sale board has decided to discontinue that this year but BMC will instead focus our efforts on running a fruit smoothie stand. Sarah Yoder will be coordinating that project and would love to have your help. Please contact her if that is something you would enjoy helping with.
- **Church Cleaning Week will take place August 21-25.** A cleaning schedule has been placed in mailboxes. Group leaders are responsible for contacting their helpers to schedule a suitable time to clean their designated area. All cleaning needs to be completed by Friday, August 25<sup>th</sup>. Instructions can be found on the schedule. Please contact Linda Miller at 330-231-1369 if you have questions.