
SERMON NOTES



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

November 11, 2018

Jr. Youth Sunday

FAITH TALK

Numbers 13–14: “Moving toward Canaan”

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 Numbers 13:17–20. Why did God send spies into Canaan?
- (2) Eat grapes. Talk about a time when others disagreed with your ideas.
- (3) Work together to name twelve brave people.

Did you know? Grapes can be red, black, dark blue, yellow, green, orange, and pink.

Prayer for the week: *God, give us courage to stand up for your truth even when other people don’t agree. Amen.*

CONTACT INFORMATION

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

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Gathering of God’s People...

Opening Songs: “STJ #1 – “We Sing to You, O God”
“Everlasting God”

Welcome

Announcements

Call to Worship/Invocation

Praising God’s Name . . .

HWB #94 – “Come, Ye Thankful People”
“How Great is Our God”
Psalm 139:1-18

Offering Ourselves and Our Gifts
Congregational Prayer

Hearing God’s Word . . .

Scripture: Mark 12:28-34
“Symbols of Christianity”

Responding...

STJ #54 – “Longing for Light”

Benediction

All are invited to stay for Carry in and Auction

OUR WORSHIP LEADERS FOR TODAY'S SERVICE

Sermon: **JYF** Worship Leader: **JYF**

Song Leader: **Vaughn Troyer** Offertory: **Julia Miller** Usher: **Hank Raber & Youth**

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

Today Greeters:

Tom & Sharon Mullet

Nursery This Sunday:

Kelsey Hochstetler & Sheila Mullet

Greeter Next Week:

Tony & Annelle Mullet

Nursery Next Week:

Jill Basinger and
Lindsay & Michael Stutzman

ATTENDANCE & OFFERING LAST SUNDAY

Worship: 188 Sunday School: 74

General Fund: \$9,310.00 MDS: \$100.00

EVENTS AT A GLANCE:

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 Grief Share event 9 am to noon

November 19 – Red Cross Blood Drive, 1-6 pm

December 10 – BMC at New Grounds, 4-7 pm

Health Needs: Ralph King, Ed Kline, Lorene Maxwell, Dave Miller, Geri Morgan, Norm Shank, Ivan Stutzman, Susan Sullivan, Viva Reid.

Walnut Hills Nursing Home Residents: Dean Hummel, 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: Tony & Annelle Mullet and family; Ward & Ruth Mumaw; and Mike & Carrie Murtaugh and family.

Mennonite Mission Network Prayer Request: Join Mennonite Mission Network in praising God for the joy of Alisha and Joshua Garber find as they participate in the ministries of the Barcelona Mennonite Church and share the good news of Jesus with the wider community in Spain. Pray that they may find a balance between serving others and nurturing 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

- **Thank you very much for the** cards and expressions of welcome and affirmation as I begin with you our walk together. As we face the challenges and discoveries that lie ahead, might Philippians 4:13 and 4:19 be our constant focus for walking together.
Pastor Walt
- **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. Adults will meet with Walt (Continuing the discussion on automatic functions) and classes will be available for children. The meal will be provided by Open Arms
- **GriefShare: Grieving? Know someone who is? *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.
- **Poinsettias:** We are taking orders for beautiful poinsettias to raise money for Mongolia Missions. Order forms are on the table beside the secretary's office. The ordering deadline is November 25th and the poinsettias will be available for pick up on Sunday, December 2nd. Order forms and payment can be placed in Betty Troyer's mailbox. Poinsettias will not be used to decorate the sanctuary this year.
- **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. Any questions may be directed to Jr. Schlabach.
- **Marriage for Life 2019** registration is *now* open for the February 1-3, 2019 event. There are still a few rooms left for the Sat./Sun. Feb. 2-3 sessions, at \$60. Each. Contact Brenda or Barry Hummel for more information.
- **Ladies Sewing will be Wednesday**, November 14 at 8:30, Meal will be provided, and Jody Miller will provide devotions.