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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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### April 8, 2018

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

Opening Songs: HWB 36 "God of Our Strength"  
STJ 42 "Listen, God is Calling"

Welcome

Announcements

Call to Worship/Invocation

Confession

Words of Assurance

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

"Everlasting God"

Psalm 133

"Speak O Lord"

"Broken Vessels"

Offering Ourselves and Our Gifts

Congregational Prayer

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

Scripture: John 20:19-31

Message: "Are You An Upper Room Christian?"

#### Responding:

STJ 97 "The Lord is My Light"

#### 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: Carol Gerber, Brenda Hummel, Ralph King, Leon Miller and Michael Stutzman.

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## FAITH TALK

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### John 21:1–14: "Jesus appears to disciples"

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 John 21:9–10, 12. How did Jesus show care for the disciples?

(2) Act out this story using chairs for a boat and a blanket for a net.

(3) Peter was so excited to see Jesus that he jumped out of his boat and swam to the shore. Who have you been very excited to see? What did you do?

Did you know? The disciples probably used circle nets, with weights at the bottom. Throwing this kind of a net is very difficult because you have to make sure it completely opens up when it lands on the water.

Prayer for the week: God, thank you for sending Jesus to show your love.

Thank you for all of the people who love us. Amen.

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## CONTACT INFORMATION

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

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## OUR WORSHIP LEADERS FOR TODAY'S SERVICE

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*Message:* **Jeff Hochstetler**      *Worship Leader:* **Inga Troyer**  
*Song Leader:* **Vaughn Troyer**      *Offertory:* **Luci Shank**  
*Usher:* **Howie Hatfield**      *Usher Next Sunday:* **Rick Brand**  
*Audio & Visual:* **Dustin Yoder** *PowerPoint:* **Rochelle Croston**  
*Greeters:* **Titus & Deb Dutcher**      *Next Week:* **Warren & Sylvia Foster**  
*Nursery This Sunday:* **Megan Weaver and Jodi Miller**  
*Nursery Next Week:* **Jill Basinger and Peg Brand or Jo Yoder**

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## ATTENDANCE & OFFERING LAST SUNDAY

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**Worship: 153 Sunrise Service: 115**

**General Fund: \$ 10,187.95**

**Alms: \$1,250.00**

**Open Arms: \$50.00**

**Central Christian: \$2,650.00**

**Walking Root Band: \$100.00**

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## EVENTS AT A GLANCE:

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April 9- Family Night at New Grounds, 4-7pm

April 10- Meeting Night, 7pm; Council, 8pm

April 11- Ladies Sewing, 8:30am; MYF Babysitting Night, 6-8 pm

April 21 – Mongolia Breakfast, 7:30 am Farmstead Restaurant

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## PRAYER REQUESTS

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**Health Needs:** Mary Ann Kandel, Dave Miller, Geri Morgan, Les Reid, Norm Shank, Bob Slagle, Ivan Stutzman, Susan Sullivan, Katie Wengerd, Joe Yoder.

**Walnut Hills Nursing Home Residents:** Dean Hummel, Clare Martin, Eileen Stutzman, Ivan Stutzman.

**Pray for our Mission Partners:** MMN: Laura Schlabach, Tonya Starner, Gary & Martine Wittig; MAF: Rod & Valerie Hochstetler; Harvest Aviation: Ronny & Denise Erekson; SALT: Samuel Miller.

**Families in Focus:** Please pray specifically this week for Myron & Sheryl Weaver; Katie Wengerd; Mel & Susie Wengerd.

**Mennonite Mission Network Prayer Request:** Mennonite Mission Network requests prayer for Petrus and Yuliana Handoyo and their two sons who are working to grow the church in Cambodia. Pray for Petrus as he pastors a church for Indonesian expatriates and lectures at a university, and for Yuliana as she works with children's learning centers.

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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- **Children's bulletins and crayons** are available in packets. Feel free to take one for your child to use during the service. We ask that packets are returned and placed in the basket after the service! Thank you.
- **Plan attend the Ladies Sewing** this Wednesday beginning at 8:30 am. Jenny Hostetler from Save and Serve will provide devotions and a presentation with Rocky, from Bangladesh, who is a participant in the IVEP program. Ladies from Walnut Creek Mennonite Church have been invited and you are encouraged to bring a guest to join in the day's activities. Please bring a dish or two to share in the potluck noon meal.
- **Ohio Relief Sale Kick-off Meeting on April 14, 2018** - help kick off the 2018 Relief Sale season at the annual Kick-off Meeting at Salem Mennonite. Meeting will start at 6:30pm with a meal served by the Wayne County Axis Youth Group. Music will be provided by the Central Christian Varsity Singers. For more information, visit [ohiomccreliefsale.org](http://ohiomccreliefsale.org).
- **Save & Serve Furniture Pick-up.** Save & Serve appreciates your generosity and is pleased to provide a pick-up service for qualifying furniture. Volunteers are needed to provide this service both by going out with the truck and also to evaluate, clean, and price furniture and other large household items. For pick-up service or to inquire about volunteering, call the store at 330-674-1323. Proceeds from the store benefit Mennonite Central Committee's relief, development and peace work around the world.
- **MYF Babysitting Service.** As a thank you to everyone who supported their recent fundraiser, Babysitting Night will be held Wednesday, April 11 from 6-8 pm at the church. There is a signup sheet on bulletin board by secretary's office. Signup, however, is not required for this free service.
- **A Calligraphy Class will be** offered on Wednesday, April 18 beginning at 7 pm. Megan Weaver will be the instructor at a cost of \$5.00 per person including supplies for those from third grade to adult interested. Please sign up by April 15 to be a part of this event sponsored by the Women's Ministries.
- **Graduates:** Graduate Recognition Sunday will be held Sunday, May 20th during the worship hour. All college and high school graduates please turn in their photo and bio to the Church Office no later than Wednesday, May 16th. The information can be emailed to [secretary@berlinmennonite.org](mailto:secretary@berlinmennonite.org).
- **Be a part of the fun trip** to the production JESUS at the Sight and Sound Theatre in Pennsylvania planned for July 12 and 13. Registration information on bulletin board. Contact Susan Slagle or Verna Stutzman for details and to register.