



May 27, 2018

FAITH TALK

James 2:1–13: “Respecting others”

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 James 2:1-7. Who are the people lacking respect in your community?

What might your family do to encourage and care for them?

(2) Name your favorite animal. How is having favorite things different from choosing just our favorite people?

(3) Go out of your way to show kindness and respect to someone you don’t know.

Did you know? In Kenya, one way to show respect to an elder is to hold their right wrist with your left hand, then shake it.

Prayer for the week: God, forgive us for the times we have mistreated people because they are different from us in some way. Help us to treat others fairly.

Amen.

CONTACT INFORMATION

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Gathering of God’s People...

Opening songs: HWB #120 “Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty”

Welcome

Announcements

Call to Worship/Invocation

Praising God’s Name . . .

“I Will Follow You”

“Heart of Worship”

Romans 8:12-17

“Oceans”

Offering Ourselves and Our Gifts

Congregational Prayer

Hearing God’s Word . . .

Scripture: John 3:1-17

Message: “God of Second Chances”

Responding...

Time of Remembering

HWB #118 “Praise God from Whom”

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 or during the week. Elder Team members are: Carol Gerber, Brenda Hummel, Ralph King, Leon Miller and Michael Stutzman.

OUR WORSHIP LEADERS FOR TODAY'S SERVICE

Sermon: **Myron Weaver** *Worship Leader:* **Barry Hummel**
Song Leaders: **Shelly Miller** *Offertory:* **Luci Shank**
Usher: **Dennis Weaver** *Usher Next Sunday:* **Allan Miller**
Audio: **Seth Cady** *Visual:* **Tony Yoder** *PowerPoint:* **Peg Brand**
Greeters: **Jesse & Lisa Miller** *Next Week:* **Howie & Carol Hatfield**
Nursery This Sunday: **Elizabeth Anderson**
Nursery Next Week: **Karina Yoder & Susan Slagle**

ATTENDANCE & OFFERING LAST SUNDAY

Worship: 198 **Sunday School: 91**
General Fund: \$3,960.50 **College Aid: \$10,500.00**
Walking Roots: \$70.00 **VBS: \$150.00**

EVENTS AT A GLANCE:

May 29- Red Cross Blood Drive, 1-6pm
June 6- Stephen Ministers Supervision, 9:00am
June 8- Gospel Bluegrass Jam 6-8:30pm
June 11- BMC at New Grounds, 4-7pm
June 13- Ladies Sewing, 8:30am
June 16- Mongolia Breakfast, 7:30am at Bruce & Anne Hummel's home

PRAYER REQUESTS

Health Needs: Mary Ann Kandel, Dave Miller, Geri Morgan, Les Reid, Norm Shank, Bob Slagle, Ivan Stutzman, Susan Sullivan, Katie Wengerd, Joe Yoder, Karina 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 Chris & Allison Beck; Dave & Karen Beechy.

Mennonite Mission Network Prayer Request: Diana Cruz and Felipe Preciado, serving with Mennonite Mission Network, are on their way to La Casa Grande children's village in Benin. Pray for them as they transition from their life in Colombia and participate in orientation in the United States and Spain in the coming weeks.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **This Memorial Day Weekend** we remember those who lived, labored, and loved among us. Following the sermon time, Myron will lead a "Time of Remembrance", Myron will invite those who have lost loved ones to come up and take a flower. This time of remembering may include any loved one lost from our congregation, or outside the church family. You will be encouraged to share their name and. We thank God that even in separation from our loved ones, we can experience love, peace and hope, through his son, Jesus Christ.
- **The American Red Cross** will hold a blood drive at Berlin Mennonite in the Fellowship Hall on Monday, May 29th from 1-6 p.m. Walk-ins from the community are welcome.
- **The JYF will be having a golf outing at Cabin Creek Golf** near Sugarcreek on Wednesday May 30, 2018. This is being held in conjunction with Martin's Creek Youth Fellowship. The event will begin at 7 p.m. Those needing a ride to Cabin Creek are asked to call Jon or Lynne Wilson (330)852-1095. Thank you!
- **Bible Memory:** On Saturday, June 10 at 6pm, all Bible memory participants (graders, workers, students) and their families are invited to celebrate their efforts! Join us at the church pavilion at 6pm. Please RSVP with Deb Dutcher at 330-231-2185.
- **Tell the Berlin Mennonite story** – Can we accept the challenge to reach out and share our stories? Are there people in our community that would appreciate reading about Berlin Mennonite's history and perhaps catch a glimpse of our present story as a faith community. Please consider donating \$15 - \$20 for a book. and give it to someone that may be interested in the Berlin's history. It may spark a conversation that would give you an opportunity to love your neighbor. Books are located in foyer.
- **VBS Babylon** will take place from July 16-20 this summer. We need many volunteers to help in a wide variety of ways! Please consider offering your time and skills through volunteering! Sign up on the bulletin board in the hallway just off the lobby. Unable to volunteer during these dates? Please consider donating one of the items on our VBS Donation wish list. The list of items needed is displayed in the lobby. Thank you in advance for making this exciting week possible for the children of our church and community!
- **Take me out to the ball game!** Friday, July 20th at 7:05PM, the church has reserved 42 seats for an Akron Rubber Ducks game versus the Richmond Flying Squirrels at Canal Park. Tickets cost \$8 per person and includes a firework show afterwards. Sign up outside the office or go to <https://groupmatics.events/event/Berlinmennonite> to reserve your ticket.
- **SEMILLA Latin American Anabaptist Seminary presents Anabaptist Church Tour October 19-30th.** Join people from across North America in a tour focusing on Anabaptist churches and seminary programs in Guatemala and El Salvador for 10 days. Tour fee is \$1,250 per person and includes lodging, meals and transportation in Central America, including to and from the airport. Space is limited to 20 participants. For more information or to reserve your spot, contact Charles Geiser at 574-612-8361 or email at geisersemilla@gmail.com.
- **Lost & Found:** Please pick up lost and found items located in the library including dishes and other items found in the church. Items not claimed by June 8th will be donated to Save & Serve. Thank you. ~Linda Miller.