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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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### September 17, 2017

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

Prelude

Opening Song: HWB #12 "Come Let Us All Unite to Sing"

Welcome

Call to Worship/Invocation

Recognition Time

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

HWB #50 "Praise the Lord Sing Hallelujah"

HWB #46 "I Sing the Mighty Power of God"

HWB #338 "I Know Not Why God's Wondrous"

HWB #336 "When Peace Like a River"

Offering Ourselves and Our Gifts

Congregational Prayer

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

Scripture: Genesis 28:10-18

Message: "Surely God is in This Place"

#### Responding...

HWB #118 "Praise God from Whom"

#### Benediction

HWB #119 "Doxology"

Laying of the Stone

HWB #343 "My Hope is Built on Nothing Less"

**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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### Acts 10: "Cornelius and Peter"

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

(1) Read Acts 10:34–35, 43. What does this show you about God?

(2) Jews and Gentiles did not associate with each other. Are there people you try to avoid?

This week, look for a way to connect with someone who is different from you.

(3) Draw a picture of Peter's vision. See Acts 10:11–12.

Did you know? Cornelius was a centurion and was one of the first Gentiles to become a Christian.

Prayer for the week: Thank you, God, for calling us from around the world into one body.  
Amen.

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## CONTACT INFORMATION

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**Berlin Mennonite Church - BOX 217 - Berlin, Ohio 44610**

**Church Phone: 330-893-2320**

**Office Hours: Monday-Friday 9AM-3PM**

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

**Website: [www.berlinmennonite.org](http://www.berlinmennonite.org)**

**One Call Now (phone messages) - 1-877-698-3261**

**Online Calendars – [dates.berlinmennonite.org](http://dates.berlinmennonite.org); [youth.berlinmennonite.org](http://youth.berlinmennonite.org)**

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## OUR WORSHIP LEADERS FOR TODAY'S SERVICE

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*Message:* **Myron Weaver**      *Worship Leader:* **Inga Troyer**

*Song Leader:* **Vaughn Troyer**      *Offertory:* **Quintet**

*Prelude:* **Ralph King, Mark Leinbach, Jesse Miller**

*Usher:* **Jr. Schlabach**      *Usher Next Sunday:* **Dennis Weaver**

*Audio:* **Seth Cady** *Visual:* **Tony Yoder** *PowerPoint:* **Suzanne Kalman**

*Greeters:* **Jr. & Lois Schlabach**      *Next Week:* **Mark & Amy Schlabach**

*Nursery This Sunday:* **Denise Anderson and Peg Brand or Jo Yoder**

*Nursery Next Week:* **Lindsay Stutzman and Shawna & Zak Boyd**

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## ATTENDANCE & OFFERING LAST SUNDAY

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**Worship: 170    Sunday School: 75**

**General Fund: \$7,431.75      ALMS: \$1,268.08**

**MDS: \$100.00    Central Christian: \$50.00**

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## EVENTS AT A GLANCE:

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October 1- Annual Church Business Meeting

October 1- World Communion Sunday

October 4- Family Night

October 9- BMC Family Night at New Grounds, 4-7pm

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

October 11- Ladies Sewing, 8:30am

October 11- Family Night

October 18- Family Night

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## PRAYER REQUESTS

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**Physical Needs:** Orris Basinger, Mary Ann Kandel, Dave Miller, Marcia Miller, Geri Morgan, Randy Stuckey, Ivan Stutzman, Susan Sullivan, Mary Sundheimer, 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), 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;

**Families in Focus:** Please pray specifically this week for Patty Huffman; Barry & Brenda Hummel; Bruce & Anne Hummel.

**Mennonite Mission Network Prayer Request:** Yesterday, the Argentina Mennonite Church began celebrating their centennial anniversary. Pray that God will be glorified as church members and guests worship and remember God's faithfulness. Pray also that today's mission rally in the greater Buenos Aires area will introduce people to Jesus in new ways.

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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- **Family nights** will start up October 4 and will continue through November 15 of this year. Mark your calendars and look for more information in the near future.
- **Nursery:** We welcome all ages and love to see the children in our midst. During the worship service, if needed, our staffed nursery is available to children ages 3 and under. As a reminder, children need to be checked into the nursery by a parent/grandparent/guardian and picked up by them or someone they indicate on the check in sheet. We are pleased to be sharing our nursery with Central Christian School during the week for their preschool program. Please be mindful that it is available only during certain hours on Sunday mornings and Wednesday evenings, when it is staffed by church volunteers. Outside of those specific church functions, the nursery will be utilized by Central Christian School. The classroom in the corner, Room 8, is available for use during Bible Studies, Weddings, Funerals or other events where children may need a space to play. In addition, the nursery at the back of the sanctuary is always available for mothers and children with a changing table provided. We request that young children be accompanied and supervised throughout the church grounds.
- **A new short documentary film, Semillas de Paz:** Seeds of Peace, the Story of SEMILLA Latin American Anabaptist Seminary, will premiere, September 23, 7:00PM at Central Christian, Kidron and September 24, 7:00PM at The Star, Dutch Valley, Sugarcreek. The film is an amazing account of the impact of the Gospel from an Anabaptist perspective. You won't want to miss this story of teaching peace, reconciliation and community in the context of poverty, violence and oppression. Admission is free. For more information, contact Marlin Yoder, 740-502-2442, mskingyoder@gmail.com, or Steve Steiner, 330-749-9965, ssteiner54@gmail.com
- **You will be receiving a Berlin Mennonite 2016-2017 Overview Bookmark** in your mailbox in the next couple weeks. The Annual Report and the Financial Report will only be made available at the Annual Business Meeting on October 1. Please mark your calendars to attend this meeting.
- **The Women of Influence present "Harvesting Hope" on Saturday, October 28<sup>th</sup> from 9am-3pm** at The Pier (10470 Winesburg Rd. Dundee, OH). Tickets are \$50 and include a hot dinner or \$40 bring your own bag lunch. Tickets can be purchased at Faith View Bookstore in Fredericksburg or contact Verna or Sheryl. For more information visit [www.thewomenofinfluence.com](http://www.thewomenofinfluence.com).
- **Joins us for a MEDA, Women Empowering Women, gathering on Monday, October 16, from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m.** at Eva Keim's house located at 5328 Hummingbird Drive, Millersburg. Women Empowering Women (WeW) is an opportunity for women of all ages to connect with one another, learn about issues facing other women in developing countries and how to empower them through MEDA. MEDA staff member, Bethany Nussbaum, will share about their project in Jordan, while we snack on middle eastern goodies. If you have questions, contact the WeW planning committee: Eva Keim, Rhoda Mast or Mary (Dan) Miller. Please RSVP with a call or text to 330-763-4317 (Eva Keim).
- **Thank you** for all the kind words, cards, flowers, and meals provided that our family received during the time of mothers passing. ~The Loil Stutzman family.