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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 9, 2018**

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## FAITH TALK

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### **Acts 3:1–10: “Peter, John, and a lame man”**

Here are some ways to nurture faith at home based on this week’s story.\* (1)

Read Acts 3:8–10. How do you praise God?

(2) When the man walked, people were filled with wonder and amazement.

What wonderful or amazing thing have you seen recently?

(3) Alleluia means “Praise the Lord.” Write the word “Alleluia” by arranging beans or some other dry food item.

\*Preschool children have a “For families” page in the Early Childhood leaflet for the story “Sparrows and God’s care.”

**Did you know?** Jews, like Peter and John, recited three prayers each day: Shacharit (morning), Mincha (afternoon), and Arvit (nightfall).

**Prayer for this week:** God, we marvel at your healing power. 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**

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

Jeff (Family Life Pastor) Monday-Thursday 9am-3pm

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**Custodian:** Linda Miller 330-231-1369

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### **Gathering of God’s People...**

Opening Songs: “Abre mis Ojos” (Open the Eyes of My Heart Lord)

“Mi Roca Es” (Cornerstone)

Welcome

Announcements

Call to Worship/Invocation

### **Praising God’s Name . . .**

“Dios de la Ciudad” (God of this City)

“10,000 Razones”(10,000 Reasons)

Psalms 146

“Ancient Words”

Offering Ourselves and Our Gifts

Congregational Prayer

### **Hearing God’s Word . . .**

Scripture: James 2:14-25

Message: God’s Extended Family

### **Responding...**

“Holy, Holy, Holy”

### **Benediction**

**Beginning in October, Walt Morton will serve as intentional interim pastor, half-time. Walt comes to us with 42 years of pastoral experience, having served congregations in the Evangelical Friends Church for almost 25 years and then in Mennonite Circles since 2001. Since 2005 he has served 10 congregations as a trained Intentional Interim Minister and several more as a Congregational Consultant and/or Coach.**

**A full biography can be found in your mailbox. Please join the Elders in welcoming Walt.**

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## OUR WORSHIP LEADERS FOR TODAY'S SERVICE

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*Sermon:* **Jesse Miller**    *Worship Leader:* **Leon Miller**

*Song Leader:* **Jesse Miller**

*Offertory:* **Kelsey Hochstetler and Jesse Miller**

*Usher:* **Howie Hatfield**

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

*Greeters:* **Dr. Leon and Holly Miller**    *Next Week:* **Jesse and Lisa Miller**

*Nursery This Sunday:* **Kelsey Hochstetler and Sheila Mullet**

*Nursery Next Week:* **Jill Basinger and Lindsay & Michael Stutzman**

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## ATTENDANCE & OFFERING LAST SUNDAY

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**Worship: 146**

**General Fund: \$11,678.34    Nicaragua: \$90.00**

**MDS: \$500    Alexis: \$700.00**

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## EVENTS AT A GLANCE:

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

September 11- Meeting Night 7 pm; Council, 8 pm

September 12- Ladies Sewing, 8:30am

September 14 – Bluegrass Gospel Jam, 6-8pm

September 15 - Mongolia Breakfast, 7:30 am at Bruce Hummel home

September 24 – Red Cross Blood Drive , 1-6 pm

September 26-Stephen Ministry Meeting, 9 am

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## PRAYER REQUESTS

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**Health Needs:** Ethel Mumaw, Mary Ann Kandel, Dave Miller, Geri Morgan, Norm Shank, Bob Slagle, Ivan Stutzman, Susan Sullivan, Karina Yoder.

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

**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 Rod & Gail Mast; Willis & Elsie Mast; Lorene & Evan Maxwell.

**Mennonite Mission Network Prayer Request:** Eric and Kelly Frey Martin work with young adults in the Colombian Mennonite Church. Pray that Eric and Kelly will create time to nurture their relationship with each other and with God, as well as focusing on the spiritual development of the youth.

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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- **CORRECTION:** Please note the correct address for Ethel Mumaw is P.O. Box 129, Walnut Creek, OH 44687 with apologies for the error.
- **Walk and Pray sponsored by Walnut Creek Mennonite** will be held today, September 9 from 2-4 pm at the Hiland High School Track. Blake Stutzman will be especially lifted up in prayer during this time. For more information call or text 330-473-3281.
- **Ladies Sewing meet Wednesday**, September 12 beginning at 8:30am. Plan now to help with projects, stay connected with the business portion and share in the fellowship. Becky Kandel will share a devotional thought to ponder and Brenda King will provide a complete salad meal.
- **A Ladies Bible Study** will be offered this fall right here at Berlin Mennonite! Mark your calendars for Tuesday Morning From 9:30-11 am beginning October 2 through October 30. Workbooks are \$15. Sign up on the bulletin board by the Secretary's office. If you have questions, contact Carolyn Caron.
- **Berlin Elementary Soup Supper** and Raffle will be staged Tuesday, October 2 with a menu for a complete meal. Pre-sale tickets are as listed: adults \$7/children 12 and under \$6. Tickets at door are 50 cents more and children under 3 are free.
- **Electronic Funds Transfer** is available at Berlin Mennonite to provide weekly/monthly giving with no charge to donor. For details, forms are located outside Secretary's office or contact Jill Basinger, BMC Treasurer.
- **Take a moment to check** your calendar for birthday and anniversaries. Any updates needed for the 2019 Church calendar maybe be dropped off at the church Secretary's office before October 15.
- **BMC, Walnut Creek and Longenecker** have invited two Nicaraguan missionary families to visit Ohio from Oct. 3-13 to get to know our community and church members on a deeper level. Among the families of BMC, we hope to find a host family to provide hospitality for the Mendoza family for 6 nights. Volunteers are also needed willing to invite the Mendoza family and the Guido family for lunches or dinners during their stay. One adult in each of the families speaks English and additional translation will be provided when possible. Those interested are asked to contact Lisa Miller at 330-260-1470 or Shawna Boyd at 330-465-9910.

**If you have a prayer concern or need**, you are encouraged to contact Jeff Hochstetler, or one of the Elder Team members, either after worship or during the week. Elder Team members are: Carol Gerber, Becky Kandel, Ralph King, Leon Miller, Michael Stutzman and Vaughn Troyer.