

SERMON NOTES

LOOKING AHEAD

Sunday Noon, November 15, MYF Thanksgiving Café
Sunday, November 22, Celebration of Communion
Thursday, November 26, 10-11:00 AM Thanksgiving Service
4F (Food, Faith, Family, Fellowship) Nights
January 13, 20, 27, February 3, 10, 17 (snow date February 24)

OFFICE SCHEDULE:

Pastor (Mel):

- Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, & Friday,
9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
- Saturday, 9:00 a.m.-Noon

+ Mel & Dottie are attending the Pastor-Spouse Retreat this weekend at Mohican State Park

Secretary (Ellen):

- Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.



LAST SUNDAY'S RECORD, November 1, 2009

Attendance: SS - 120; Worship - 140
Offering: Budget: \$3,405.60
CCS Tuition: \$2,108.00
Maple Syrup Missions: \$48.00
Mutual Caring Fund: \$2,286.00
Primary SS Offering: \$11.45

CCS Tuition:

- Needed each month (2009-2010 school year): \$13,996.00
- October payment has been met
- Balance in Fund: \$8,235.47

***If you are interested in being a part of a small group,
please contact the church office.***

Ministers: Every Member of the Congregation

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Matt Hamsher, Mutual Caring Fund Alice Metcalf, Care Groups



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A special welcome to our guests. Our praise to our creator will be more joyful because you are worshipping with us. Please register in the guest book in the foyer.

8:45 AM Prayer Time

9:30 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL

*Classes for all ages,
Nursery through adult.
Everyone is welcome!*



*Be imitators of God,
therefore,
as dearly loved
children.*

Ephesians 5:1

10:30 AM WORSHIP

WE GATHER

Prelude

WE PRAISE GOD

♪ Praising God with Music

Offertory

WE LISTEN

Drama

Scripture Reading: Ephesians 4:31-5:2

Message

WE RESPOND

Congregational Sharing/Prayer for the People

♪ Sending Song

Worship Service c/o MYF
Host/Greeters: Gordon & Lorene Amstutz
Pastoral Team Greeter: Don Nussbaum
Nursery: Phil, Myriam & Alexandra Raber

Digital Arts: Ned Mast
Sound & Lights: Winfred Ressler
Altar Arrangements: Lena Lehman
Ushers: Steve Gerber, MYFers

Today's Activities

7:00 PM Song Sing at OrrVilla Maple Terrace. Everyone is welcome to join in this time of singing with the residents of Maple Terrace.

THE CHURCH THIS WEEK

Monday

7:00 p.m. **Annual Ohio Relief Sale Meeting** at Sonnenberg

Tuesday

6:30 p.m. **SMW Extended** (See announcement)

Wednesday

8:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m. **Sonnenberg Mennonite Women Sewing.**

All women are encouraged to come for all or part of the day to quilt or knot comforters. Offering will go toward the support of Joel Miller, serving with Dayspring Outreach Ministries in Mexico. Women with last names beginning with M-Z should bring salads/desserts for the noon meal.

4:30 p.m. **MYF Raking Leaves** at the church

6:45-8:30 p.m. **People to People Ministries Service Opportunity.** (See announcement under November Missions Emphasis). Meet at the church at 6:25 p.m. to carpool.

7:00 p.m. **Praise & Prayer**

Thursday

7:00 p.m. **Congregational Leadership Team**

Friday

7:00 p.m. **Praise & Prayer** at Merle & Bonita Kauffman's

Saturday

a.m. **MYF Thanksgiving Caf  Preparation**

NEXT SUNDAY

8:45 AM Prayer Time

9:30 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL

10:30 AM WORSHIP - *Sin...or No Sin*, 1 John 3:1-10, by Pastor Mel Hathaway.

NOON - MYF Thanksgiving Caf  (See announcement)

PM Home Fellowship Groups

Next Sunday, continued

Nursery: Jane Miller & Olivia Ressler
Pastoral Team Greeter: Eileen Lehman
Ushers: Ron Geiser, Steve & Goldie Yoder, Dave Ross, Lloyd Miller

Altar Arrangement: Julia Dunster
Host/Greeter: Ada Amstutz

GOD BLESS OUR SENIOR SAINTS!

Happy 78th birthday to Mary Lehman, Friday, November 13

Happy 73rd birthday to Ella Amstutz, Saturday, November 14

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

IN OUR PRAYERS:

CONTINUE TO REMEMBER: *Iva Geiser is taking oral cancer medication; Lois Berry completes her daily radiation treatments on Monday and will be moving to Harrisonburg mid-week; Anna Knutson and Jeanette Miller are undergoing radiation treatments on a daily basis.*

THOSE IN MISSION: *Linda Horn, Interlink, Thailand; Jos  & Alfonsina Oyanguren, Argentine Chaco; Friends of the Tabasaran Ministry, Dagestan, Russia; Joel & Ruth Miller, Dayspring Outreach Ministries, Mexico; Nic & Sonya Stice, Missions Network Center, Elm Springs, AR; Kurt, Angie & Micah Neuenschwander, Samaritan's Purse, Nairobi, Kenya.*

OUR YOUNG ADULTS: *Shawna Gerber, teaching at the Global English School in Bangkok, Thailand; Gideon Dunster left on Thursday to serve at a Children's Hospital in Tatova, Romania, through November 29.*

NEW BIRTH: *The rosebud on the pulpit this morning welcomes Nathan Conner, the newest addition to our Sonnenberg family. Nathan was born to Laura and Ron Petite on Monday, November 2, weighing 7 lbs., 12 oz. Our congratulations and best wishes to the family, including grandparents Ed and Joyce Taylor, and great-grandparents, Til & Bonnie Neuenschwander.*

VENTURE CLUB POINSETTIA SALES: Order forms were in mailboxes last Sunday. Color choices are red, pink, white or marble (pink/white) and cost is \$10.00 each, or if you purchase three or more, they are \$9.00 each. Order forms with payment can be placed in the box located in the foyer by next Sunday, November 15. Poinsettias can be taken home following the worship service on December 6. Thank you for supporting the Venture Club through this fundraiser.

SONNENBERG MENNONITE WOMEN:

- **SMW IS BEING EXTENDED...**to Tuesday evenings, this coming Tuesday, November 10 & December 8, 2009, 6:30-8:30 p.m., welcoming all women, inviting daughters, working together, building relationships...extra copies of the additional information about the evening are on the counter in the foyer.
- **SMW DECEMBER OFFERING PROJECT** is the Pregnancy Care Center. In addition, SMW is sponsoring a diaper shower. Your donations of diapers, newborn to size 5 are welcomed and can be placed in the basket provided in the foyer. If you have other baby items you would like to donate to PCC, bring them to the church or contact Liz Gerber. Suggested items were listed in *Sojourns* last week.

WINTER QUARTER ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL: An additional inter-generational SS class is being offered beginning December 6, for the winter quarter, studying the book, *Jesus for President*, co-authored by Shane Claiborne and Chris Haw. The study will be led by Matt Hamsher, assisted by Shirley & Vern Hochstetler. If you would like to be a part of this book study during the winter quarter, sign-up on the table in the foyer by today, Sunday, November 8.

THANKSGIVING MYF CAF  will be held next Sunday noon, November 15. Come and enjoy a delicious Thanksgiving meal (all the good stuff!) served by our youth. Your donations will be accepted at the door and will go to support their summer service project.

NOVEMBER MISSIONS EMPHASIS...is benefitting People to People Ministries. We will be collecting cans of pork & beans, dry cereal and powdered laundry detergent through Thanksgiving. (Place in boxes in foyer). A service opportunity is also scheduled for this Wednesday, November 11, 6:45-8:30 p.m. Six to eight volunteers are needed to sort boots and snow pants at the facility in Wooster. If interested in helping, please contact Steve Zuercher.

THANKSGIVING SERVICE/OFFERING: Our annual Thanksgiving service will be held on Thursday, November 26, 10-11:00 a.m. A special offering will be taken during the Thanksgiving Service which will be divided equally between Open Arms Ministry, Haiti Community School, Lighthouse Ministry and Sonnenberg's Mutual Caring Fund.

BORROWED BOOKS: If you borrowed any books from Larry Augsburg during the time he served as our Transitional Pastor he would appreciate having them back. Return them to the church office by next Sunday, November 15.