

February 25, 2018

**Birthdays This Week:**

Toby Hazlett - 2/27 Diane Stromme Mast - 2/27 Yormary Lainez - 2/28  
Michael Schaaf - 2/28 Jean Sheets - 3/3 Johana Lainez - 3/3

**Our Church:**

- Please pray for Christine Nafziger, who is suffering with poor health
- Please remember Marta, who is discouraged about not getting her daughter back
- Arlene's father is in hospice; please pray for both her parents
- Remember Juan Lainez's father Gerardo who is very sick
- Remember those in our congregation who are traveling
- Health: Dorothy Mast, Marlin Yoder, Kathie Hazlett, Tim Roth, Mary Hipp, Art Miller
- Visitation: Bernice Miller, Charlie Welder, Will Beachy, Esther Yoder, Dennis Gerber, Paul & Carol Roth, Art Miller, Larry & Jean Sheets, Paul Thomas

**Local/Community/Mennonite Church**

- A Guatemalan family of five was taken by ICE in a chance encounter on a nearby farm. Pray for them, and local immigrant families living in fear
- Health: Barbara Schrock, Kurt Stutzman, Wendy Beutel, Ernie Hershberger

**State/Nation/World/Missions**

- **From Mennonite Disaster Service:** MDS has workers in more than 18 locations in Canada and the U.S. Please pray for MDS volunteers as they travel to and from locations, handle tools, repair, and build homes and bring hope to disaster survivors.
- **From Mennonite Mission Network:** Linda Oyer of Mennonite Mission Network is bringing closure to her 30-year ministry in France. Pray that the seeds she planted through teaching and mentoring will continue to bear fruit. Pray also that she will find joy in writing more of the books that have been percolating in her spirit.
- **From Mennonite Education Agency:** Pray for students at Goshen College as they have important conversations around race and culture during Black History Month.

**Church Office Hours This Week:**

<b>Jamie</b>	Thurs., Fri	9:00 am - 2:00 pm
<b>Margaret</b>	Weds., Fri.	10:00 am - 2:00 pm
<b>Treasury Work</b>	Wednesday	4:00 pm - 5:30 pm

**TODAY—February 25, 2018**

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| ♦ 9:15 am - Sunday School | <b>Greeters:</b> Marlin Yoder & Sara King  |
| ♦ 10:20 am - Prelude      | <b>Sound:</b> Phil Yoder                   |
| ♦ 10: am - Worship        | <b>Toddler Care:</b> Genesis & Yormary     |
|                           | <b>Ushers:</b> Jocele Meyer & Sandy Miller |
|                           | <b>Flowers:</b> Rhoda Mast                 |

**Sundays-At-A-Glance**

*March 4 - Jamie speaking*  
*March 11 - Selena Herrera speaking*  
*March 18 - Jamie Speaking*  
*March 25 - Palm Sunday, Jamie speaking, Your Coins Count*

**Upcoming Events**

March 6 **Worship Focus Group** meeting at MMC, 6:30 pm  
 March 8, 15, 22, 29 **ESL Classes** at MMC, 5:30 pm  
 March 8-9 **"Gathered and Sent" Missional Conference** at Bluffton  
 March 9-10 **Annual Conference Assembly**, Bluffton University  
 March 11 **Daylight Savings Time** starts; turn your clocks **AHEAD** one hour  
 March 12 **Everence Seminars** on Medicare and Social Security, see Bulletin Board, or this bulletin's Announcements, for more details  
 March 14 **55+ Meeting**, 9:00 am at Mrs. Yoder's  
 March 15 **Holmes County Ministerial Meeting**, noon, at Jitters  
 March 16-17 Central Christian School's **"The Little Mermaid"**, see Announcements section for details

**Serving Next Sunday—March 4, 2018**

<b>Worship Leader:</b> Bruce Kooker	<b>Greeters:</b> Phil & Linda Yoder
<b>Song Leader:</b> Sara King	<b>Toddler Care:</b> Sandy Miller
<b>Prelude:</b> Joy Li	<b>Ushers:</b> Freeman & Carol Miller
<b>Sound:</b> Bobby Hershberger	<b>Flowers:</b> Rhoda Mast

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	<i>(audio sermons are now online under "Worship" menu)</i>	
<b>Ohio Conference</b>	<b>www.ohiomennoniteconference.org</b>	



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**Second Sunday of Lent**

**GATHERING**

Prelude	Praise Team
Call to Worship & Opening Prayer	Bobby Hershberger

**PRAISING**

Congregational Singing	Conrad Yoder
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**CHILDREN'S STORY**

Congregational Singing	Amy Murray
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**HEARING GOD'S WORD**

Scripture Reading: Mark 8:31-38	
Message: <i> Holding Things Loosely</i>	Jamie Rye

**RESPONDING to GOD'S WORD**

Song of Response  
Offering  
Your Coins Count Offering  
Congregational Sharing  
Announcements  
Congregational Prayer / Confession

**SENDING**

Closing Song  
Benediction

**Songbook Key**  
 HWB=Hymnal Worship Book (Blue)  
 PWB=Praise & Worship Book (Yellow)  
 STJ=Sing The Journey (Green)  
 STS=Sing The Story (Purple)  
 ISB=International Songbook (White)

Sunday, February 25, 2018  
**Holding Things Loosely**  
 Mark 8:31-38  
 Jamie Rye

**Treasurer's Report 2018**

**Attendance February 18: 54**

**Offering February 18:**

General Fund: \$3,033.27

MYF:

Ext. Missions:

Designated:

**Total Offering: \$3,033.27**

<b>General Offering</b>		<b>Giving Per Sunday Avg.</b>	
YTD Goal	\$ 27,090.00	Budget Goal	\$3,870.00
YTD Giving	<u>19,903.67</u>	Actual Avg. Giving	<u>2,843.38</u>
<b>Over/(Under)</b>	<b>\$ (7,186.33)</b>	<b>Over/(Under)</b>	<b>\$(1,026.62)</b>

**Central Christian School's Annual Auction**

Saturday, March 3, Breakfast at 7 am, Auction at 9 am  
 Mark your calendars and bring your friends. With a match of 200 percent, we guarantee this auction to be fun and successful. All dollars raised go toward Central's annual operating budget and mission of growing leaders and building the church.

**Worship Focus Group Meeting**

All are welcome to join the Worship Focus Group which will meet at MMC at 6:30 PM on March 6. They will be discussing worship plans for the Easter season.

**From Berlin Mennonite Church:**

Thank you for joining with us for worship this past Sunday. It is always a joy to be together, to share our gifts of music, our insights, and our perspectives with each other. May you as a church also have been blessed.

Our hope is that this small act reminds us of our common faith and of our one Lord, who prayed that his church be One. As President Sara Wenger Shenk shared, may we find our identity in Christ, who is on the one hand, and on the other.

Peace, Berlin Mennonite Church

**Upcoming Seminars about Medicare and Social Security**

Most people approaching retirement have questions about Medicare and Social Security. Two upcoming seminars presented by Everence Financial will provide answers. Medicare: An overview (5:30 - 6:45 p.m.) will provide information on what's covered, the plans that supplement Medicare, and enrollment deadlines. Social Security: An overview (7 - 8:15 p.m.) will explain how benefits are calculated, the best time to start collecting Social Security, and about spousal benefits. The seminars will take place at the Everence office in Kidron, 4136 Kidron Road on Monday, March 12. Reservations are not required.

**MMC**

**Central Christian School News**

**The Little Mermaid**, Friday and Saturday, March 16 & 17 at 7:00 pm

Join us for a magical evening under the sea! Based on one of Hans Christian Andersen's most beloved stories and the classic animated film, Disney's The Little Mermaid is a love story for the ages. Tickets may be purchased at our website at [ccscomets.org/drama](http://ccscomets.org/drama). Cost is \$10 & \$12 per ticket.

**"Growing Young" Seminar At Kidron Mennonite**

Kidron Mennonite is sponsoring a "Growing Young" seminar on Saturday, April 14, from 9:15 a.m. to 4 p.m. This seminar will focus on making young people a priority in your church.

Speaker Dr. David "Duffy" Robbins, professor of youth ministry at Eastern University, will share about Keychain Leadership, empathy, taking Jesus' messages seriously, and creating a warm community that draws people in.

There is no cost for the seminar. Lunch can be included upon request for a \$10 fee. See the event flier for details. Register by April 9 by emailing [kris@kidronmennonite.com](mailto:kris@kidronmennonite.com) or calling 330-857-3461.

**Spring Retreats at Camp Luz**

Men's Retreat, April 6-8  
 Mother-Daughter Retreat, April 13-14  
 Father-Son Retreat, April 27-28

For information, visit  
[www.campuz.com](http://www.campuz.com)

**MC USA Hires New Executive Director**

The MC USA Executive Board has announced that Glen Guyton will serve as the new executive director of MC USA. He will begin a three-year term on May 1, 2018. To learn more, see <http://bit.ly/MCUSAGlenGuyton>.

**February Farmstead Fundraiser for Love INC**

Tuesday, February 27, 2018; 4:00-8:00pm at Farmstead Restaurant in Berlin (Enter through the "local"/west side of the restaurant) 4757 TR 366. Hot buffet and select menu items available. 100% of tips; 15% of all sales; 15% of bakery sales go directly to Love INC!

**Central Christian Preschool Open House**

Visit our preschool, explore the classroom and meet our teachers. Children will experience a kindergarten readiness curriculum infused with a holistic, Christ-centered, hands-on approach to learning. No reservations are needed to attend this evening Open House.

**CCS Preschool in Berlin:** Tuesday, March 6 from 6 - 8 pm, open to children ages 4 and 5. The Berlin Preschool is located in the Berlin Mennonite Church, at 4718 US Route 62 in Berlin.

**CCS Preschool in Kidron:** Tuesday, March 13 from 6 - 8 pm, open to children ages 3 to 5. The Kidron Preschool is located at Central Christian School, 3970 Kidron Rd, in Kidron.

**MMC & Community Events**