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Palm Sunday

GATHERING

Prelude

Rhoda Mast

Call to Worship

Leah Miller

HEARING GOD'S WORD

Scripture: Matthew 21:1-11

Message: *The Bravest King*

Jamie Rye

RESPONDING to GOD'S WORD

Congregational Sharing

Announcements

SENDING

Benediction

You will have an opportunity to send in sharing, announcements, and prayer requests by email, YouTube commenting, and calling the church.

Birthdays This Week

Shirley Stromme Schlabach—4/6

William Fuentes—4/6

Zahara Gomez—4/10

Our Church

- Let's remember our church family as we journey forward.
- All our local healthcare workers need our support and prayers.
- Pray for Delbert Yoder, quarantined in Chicago.
- Health: Tim Roth, Dennis Gerber
- Visitation: Bernice Miller, Esther Yoder, Caroll Roth, Larry & Jean Sheets, Paul Thomas



* LOVE INC will be offering FRESH START ONLINE CLASSES and opportunities! Coming up first will be an ONLINE study, "**Anxious for Nothing**" by Max

Lucado. When you register, you will receive a link to a weekly video. Everyone in the group will watch the video on their own time, and then connect via "Zoom" to share, discuss and pray together! Register online: <https://www.loveincfghc.org/fresh-start.html> or call 330.473.6017 or email: loveincfghc@gmail.com

* LOVE INC will be offering "**Virtual Budget Coaching**". Many families may be or potentially will be experiencing changes in their financial situation. If you would be willing to serve as a "Virtual Budget Coach" or if you would like to be matched with a "Virtual Budget Coach", please let us

know! (call: 330.473.6017; email: loveincfghc@gmail.com)

* As we partner with the **Love Center Food Pantry**, we would like to help communicate their potential future need for new volunteers to help with their food pantry. If you are interested in volunteering, you can call or text 330.763.4757 or fill out an online form by going to: <https://forms.gle/ZDA94AtmvC4jksX8> (Love INC and the Love Center Food Pantry are two different ministries, but we partner closely together!)

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(*audio sermons are now online under "Worship" menu*)

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| Ohio Conference | www.ohiomennoniteconference.org |
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2020 Year of Vision

I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which he has called you.
Ephesians 1:18a

How to Donate to Millersburg Mennonite Church

We appreciate the support of people who have been sending in their offerings. To contribute, please mail your check to Millersburg Mennonite, P O Box 16, Millersburg, OH 44654, or drop them off in the folder marked "OFFICE" by the door to the office. Thanks so much for all your support!

Help Make Fabric Masks to Protect Medical Workers

Pomerene Hospital is potentially facing not having enough supplies to protect themselves as they care for patients who may have COVID-19 and other illnesses. Fabric facemasks may help fill this void. Although these fabric facemasks do not filter germs to the level of manufactured healthcare masks, they still serve as a barrier. On behalf of our entire staff at Pomerene, we cannot thank you enough for your willingness to assist us during this trying time.

Akron Children's Hospital also reached out to Zincks Fabric store, asking for fabric masks.

Here's a good mask-making tutorial from Pomerene:

<https://www.instructables.com/id/DIY-Cloth-Face-Mask/>

You can also donate to Pomerene for them to purchase PPE (Personal Protective Equipment). Donate with a credit or debit card at <https://www.pomerenehospital.org/make-a-donation> or you may mail a check made out to Pomerene Hospital and mail to 981 Wooster Road Millersburg, Ohio 44654.

Central District Conference's COVID-19 Resources

The Central District Conference of MC-USA has compiled an amazing set of resources for Mennonites and congregations to use during this pandemic. Worship resources, financial help, technical help with online services and meetings, and poems and prayers, plus more. Please take a look at their page.

<https://mcusacdc.org/covid-19-coronavirus-resources/>

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Introducing a new feature of the bulletin— Hope Rising!

This was suggested by Bobby and Beth Hershberger, thank you! Let's share thoughts or situations where we have sensed or seen hope during the week. Something that is uplifting and encouraging—even a blessing.

This would be separate from our more personal sharing in the weekly "Staying Connected" email that I've been sending out. This portion of the bulletin will be posted on the MMC website with the rest of it, so be aware of that.

Beth sent in a contribution this week. Thanks for all your help, Beth!

I had tears in my eyes February 28, 2019 when I walked in the bitter cold down to the farm knowing we would be saying goodbye soon to our sweet 12 year old Norwegian Elkhound, Nellie; she was suffering from congestive heart failure. As I crested the farm path hill looking west, the sun was shining and I could hear bluebirds singing; the pair was sitting on top of a fencepost bluebird house. I said, "thank you God for the blessing of the bluebirds." I knew in my heart that "new life would spring forth." Bluebirds are special to me and I feel a special touch from God when I hear them singing and eating the mealworms from the feeders. I added several more bluebird houses around the farm and along the walking paths early last spring so we now have 7 houses. This past Friday, I checked the boxes and 5 of the 7 houses have nests; 4 already have an egg in them! That made me smile; it gave me hope in the midst of these unprecedented and challenging times. Thank you God for the "blessing of the bluebirds."

God cares, God sees, God loves. Praise be to God! -Submitted by Beth Hershberger

