

Millersburg Mennonite Church

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Today - November 22

- 10:20 am - Prelude
- 10:30 am - Worship Service



Next Sunday - November 29

Speaker: Keith Lyndaker Schlabach
Worship Leader: Leah Miller
Song Leader: Meyer family
Prelude: Genesis Figueroa & Rhoda Mast
Children's Time: Amy Murray

Sundays-At-A-Glance

November 29—Advent I, Keith speaking, Your Coins Count offering
 December 6—Advent II, Rachele speaking
 December 13—Advent III, Keith speaking
 December 20—Advent IV, Rachele speaking

Ministry Team

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Church Website millersburgmennonite.org
Ohio Conference ohiomennoniteconference.org

Church Office Hours This Week:

Keith: Wednesday 2:00—5:00 pm, Thursday 9:00 am—12:00 pm
Rachele: Tuesday 1:00—4:00 pm, Friday 9:00 am—12:00 pm
Margaret: Working from home, call 330-473-1473

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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

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THANKSGIVING

GATHERING

Prelude Brooke Hershberger
 Call to Worship Bruce Kooker

PRAISING STJ #65 *Let justice flow like streams* MMC Ensemble

CHILDREN'S TIME Sheila Hanna

HEARING GOD'S WORD

Scripture Reading: Ephesians 1:15-23
 Sermon: *People with a Vision* Rachele Lyndaker Schlabach

RESPONDING to GOD'S WORD

Ministry Team Report on Vision 2020
 Litany of Thanksgiving
 Song of Response: HWB # 226 *You are salt for the earth*
 Offering
 Congregational Sharing
 Announcements

SENDING

Closing Song
 Benediction

Treasurer's Report 2020

Offering for November 13—18, 2020

General Fund:	\$ 2,470.13
Extended Missions:	
Designated:	195.00
Youth:	
Total Offering:	\$ 2,665.13

General Offering		Giving Per Sunday Avg.	
YTD Goal	\$ 162,110.00	Budget Goal	\$ 3,770.00
YTD Giving	<u>156,039.00</u>	Actual Avg. Giving	<u>3,628.81</u>
Over/(Under)	\$ (6,071.00)	Over/(Under)	\$ (141.19)

Upcoming Events

- November 26—Thanksgiving (no Thursday morning prayers)
- November 29—Advent begins
- December 2—Wednesday evening prayer, 7:00 pm, on Zoom meetings
- December 3—Thursday morning prayer, 11:00 am, Jeff Hochstetler from Berlin
Mennonite will lead prayer at Walnut Hills

In every thing give
THANKS

For Our Streaming Worship Services -

We invite people to create a short video – Please upload them to a cloud file sharing service (e.g. iCloud, Google Drive, Dropbox, OneDrive, etc.) and email a shareable link to the file to worship@millersburgmennonite.org, no later than Saturday noon. If you have technical questions, please contact Conrad Yoder, 740-502-1745.

Please Keep the Church Informed of Any Needs or Concerns

Please contact a Ministry Team member: Rachele, Keith, Arlene, Bobby, or DJ with any needs or concerns.

Donate to Millersburg Mennonite Church: 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!

November 22, 2020

Birthdays This Week

Erin Gotwals—11/22 Peggy Roth—11/26
Joe Hershberger-Kirk—11/27 Jessica Daniels—11/28

Our Church

- From Gary & Sandy Miller: Please keep Tyler (grandson) and Bridget Miller in your prayers. Bridget has had a difficult pregnancy. They plan to induce her today.
- Paul Thomas's sister, Nada Geiser age 93, died Saturday morning. Prayers appreciated for the family.
- Please continue to pray for Anna Smucker and Marcus Miller as they grieve the loss of loved ones.
- Rachele requests continued prayer for her dad's health.
- Health: Tim Roth, Christine Nafziger
- Visitation: Dennis Gerber, Jocene Meyer, Caroll Roth, Larry & Jean Sheets, Paul Thomas

Local/Community/Mennonite Church

- Please continue to pray for all those struggling with COVID, as well as health care workers who are caring for them.
- Health: Kurt Stutzman, Mary Hipp

State/Nation/World/Missions

- Please continue to pray for our Central American neighbors as they recover from the impacts of Hurricanes Eta and Iota.
- **From Mennonite Mission Network:** In many North American Indigenous cultures, every day is Thanksgiving Day. For the Onondaga People around Lake Ontario, the morning begins with the Thanksgiving Address, known as the "Words that Come Before All Else." Join Mennonite Mission Network in thanking God for the good gifts that sustain us even in difficult times.
- **From Ohio Conference:** Ohio Conference invites you to be in prayer for Mara Weaver Boshart, Vikki Pruitte-Sorrells and Bill Seymour. This group is already planning for the worship service that will be held at the upcoming Annual Conference Assembly on March 6. Pray that they would feel the Spirit's leading and direction as they plan the worship service focusing on John 1:35-51.

Prayer & Praise

Central Christian School Hiring for Evening Custodian Position

Central Christian School is hiring for an Evening Custodian. We invite you to help us to spread the word and invite diverse candidates to apply. If interested, please send a letter of intent and resume to Superintendent, Jeanne Zimmerly Jantzi at JeanneJ@CentralChristianSchool.org by November 30.

~ The Evening Custodian's Job Description is [HERE](#)

~ This is an excellent opportunity for someone who has concerns working in a larger or busier work environment. This position offers benefits and will work independently and primarily when the school building is empty or near empty.

Ohio Comforter Bash Rescheduled

The Ohio MCC Comforter Bash originally scheduled for April 2021 has been postponed for one year. In the meantime, we encourage you to continue making comforters for MCC in your homes or churches. These handmade comforters bring hope and comfort to the people who receive them. They provide not only warmth, but also a tangible message that their needs are not forgotten. We also invite you to continue making comforter tops and backs (60" x 80"), and we will collect them at the Material Resources Center in Kidron for the Ohio MCC Comforter Bash in April 2022.

Contact Sarah Geiser at SarahGeiser@mcc.org or (330) 201-4515 for more information.

MCC asks for support for Central American hurricane recovery:

Not one hurricane, but two hurricanes within two weeks have caused extensive flooding in Honduras, Guatemala and Nicaragua. Hurricanes Eta and Iota have destroyed crops and forced people from their homes. MCC is working with churches and community organizations to provide emergency food, hygiene supplies and cleanup support. Join us as we help these communities recover.

You can donate online at mcc.org/eta-iota-relief, by phone at (888)563-4676, or by mail at MCC, 21 S. 12th St., PO Box 500, Akron PA 17501

Advent At Home Devotional Available

Sunday, November 29, is the beginning of Advent. "We Wait for Jesus," this year's Advent At Home devotional from Mennonite Church USA for families and people of all ages, is available now at mennoniteusa.org/resource/advent-at-home



Read the latest newsletter from Mennonite Men at [Engage](https://www.mennonitemen.org/)
<https://www.mennonitemen.org/>

November 22, 2020
Notes from today's worship service

New! - Join Us for Evening Prayers

Join us for Evening Prayers on **Wednesdays at 7 pm, beginning December 2.** Keith and Rachelle will be leading us, based on *Take Our Moments and Our Days: An Anabaptist Prayer Book*. A Zoom link will be sent out each week via email. It will be recorded in case you're not able to join in but want to watch later.

Thank You from Marcus Miller

I would like to thank everyone for their prayers, cards, texts, phone calls, visits, emails. Also Keith and Rachelle. My dad's passing has been a struggle, and I am letting some things go. Just the presence of the church, and my faith has helped.

Encouraging Local Teachers and Staff

Church Council invites you to help write thank you notes to staffs at East Holmes, West Holmes, Central, and Training Center. Contact Leah about writing notes, and she will send you the names based on the number of notes you are able and willing to write. Just mention in your note that it is from Millersburg Mennonite Church but you should personally sign it. You just put the person's name, and which school building they work at, on the envelope. Drop off the cards at the church and we will deliver them to the schools. We are about half way through the list so more are welcomed to join the writing.

Thank you to those who have written notes. We appreciate it. Let's finish them by December 4. leahw.miller0@gmail.com

There are still a few thank-you cards in the church foyer to pick up.

Help Wanted for Millersburg Mennonite Leadership Positions

The 2020 year has been impacted by the pandemic but with good leadership and well-planned LiveStream services, MMC continues to serve the community.

There are a few leadership positions we would like to fill. Please consider volunteering! These positions include Youth advisor and Adult and Children SS coordinators. Volunteer suggestions can also be submitted to Discernment Commission: Ruth Conrad, Gary Miller, Joe & Phyllis Wengerd & Bruce Kooker.

Thank You from the Family of Esther Yoder

Millersburg Mennonite Church and Visitation Teams past and present, The family of Esther Yoder wishes to express our thanks for the spiritual home and launching pad you were for all of us! We are also so grateful for the persons visiting Mom, bringing news, connection, and encouragement to her when she could no longer attend services.

Be assured that when you minister to one person, you are also ministering to a whole extended family.

Many blessings! - Ellen Steffy, Carol Godshall, David Yoder, Steve Yoder

Thursday Morning Prayers

Thanks for praying with us for Pomerene Hospital and Scenic Pointe.. Due to the Thanksgiving holiday, there are no in-person prayers this Thursday. On **Dec. 3 at 11 am**, Jeff Hochstetler from Berlin Mennonite will lead prayer at Walnut Hills.

Share-A-Christmas Update from Service and Fellowship Commission

Share-a-Christmas efforts are in full swing and once again, our church is providing items for our needy families in the county. Instead of collecting boxes from everyone, we have arranged with Rodhe's to have 400 boxes pancake mix delivered to the Share-a-Christmas site at the fairgrounds for \$550.



If you would like to donate to this project, please designate it for Share-a-Christmas. We have \$195 so far!

More than ever before, this year we will all need and appreciate a helping hand.

Exciting Opportunities for Music Lovers

- Online dedication planned for **Voices Together** on Dec. 13 from 5 to 7 p.m. ET. Worship, pray, learn and give thanks with MennoMedia team members as we launch our new hymnal. Register soon for this free Zoom event: <https://bit.ly/VoicesTogetherLaunch>
- **Voices Together**, digital version, is now available to purchase as an app for iOS with extra online features.
- Laurelville Retreat Center in Southwestern Pennsylvania, will again host its annual Music & Worship Leaders Retreat from January 8-10, 2021. The event will be held virtually, with an option for in-person attendance. Numbers of attendees for the virtual-only conference are unlimited. Register at <https://laurelville.org/our-programs/mwlr/> or call 724-423-2056, Mondays, Thursdays or Fridays from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Deadline to register is Dec. 29, 2020. *Let Rhoda know if you are interested, maybe a number of us can do it "together"*

Love INC Weekly Update

Love INC Asking for Drywall Window Repair for a Family in Berlin: If you have experience with Drywall, we are asking for a volunteer to repair around a leaky window in Berlin. To help with this need, call Love INC at 330.473.6017

Love INC Looking for Items for Kitchen Ministry: Love INC provides a kitchen ministry for families to pick up items they need. This ministry is looking for donated items. We need working counter microwaves, toasters, pots/pans, spatulas, scrapers, and other kitchen utensils. To donate, call 330.473.6017