

Millersburg Mennonite Church

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MILLERSBURG Mennonite CHURCH

Today - September 12

- ♦ 9:00 am - Zoom Coffee Hour
- ♦ 10:20 am - Prelude
- ♦ 10:30 am - Worship Service

Tech: Marianne Mader &
Genesis Figueroa

Next Sunday - September 19

Speaker: Rachele Lyndaker Schlabach
Worship Leader: Bobby Hershberger
Song Leader: Ron Meyer
Tech: Marianne Mader & Conrad Yoder

Sundays-At-A-Glance

September 19—Rachele speaking, outdoor service at Raber's 40 Acres

September 26—Keith speaking, Your Coins Count

October 3—Voices Together Dedication

October 10—Ann Graber Hershberger speaking, at service w/ Berlin Mennonite

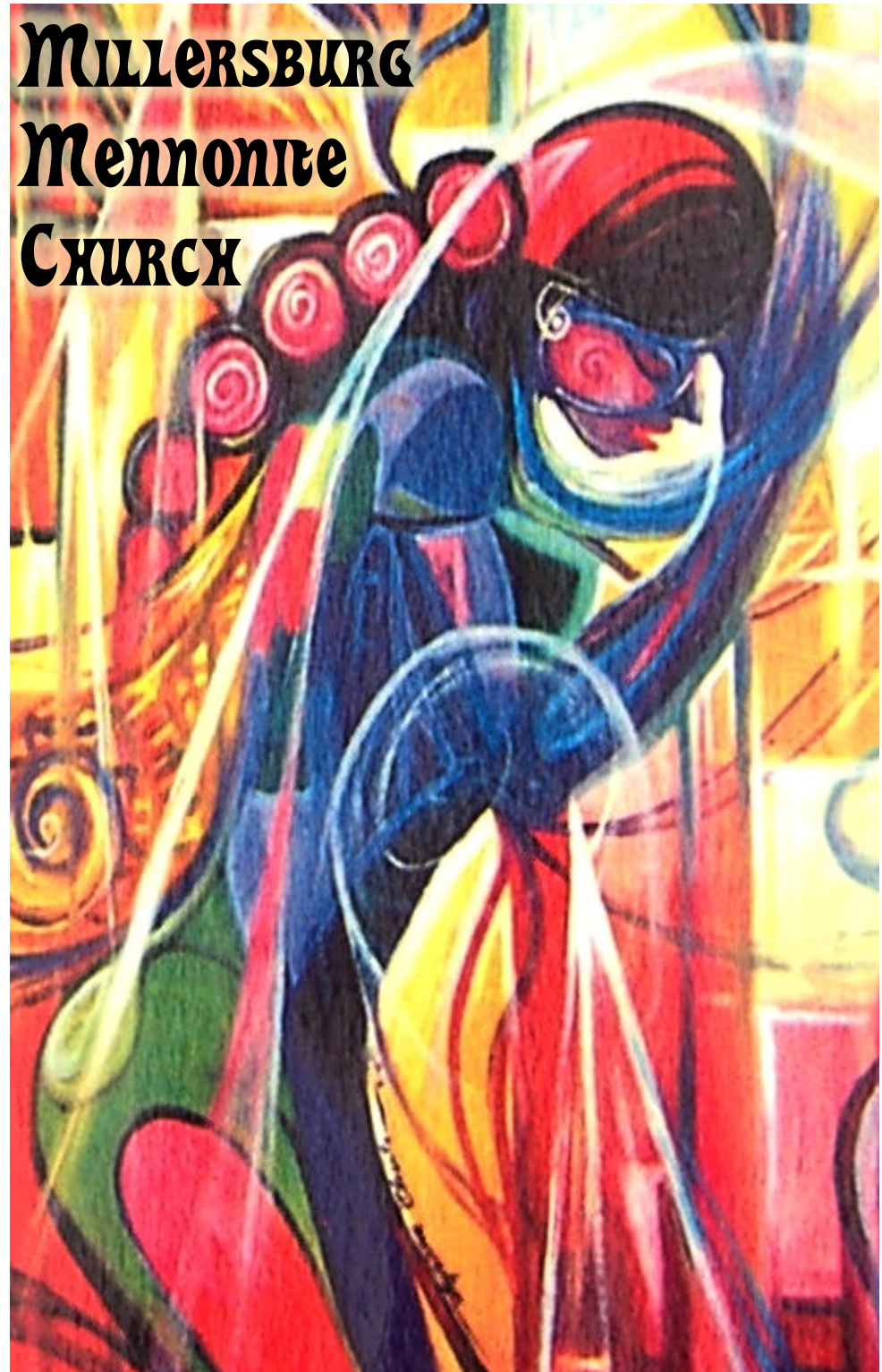
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Church Office Hours This Week:

Keith: Wednesday at Broken Grounds, 8:00 am
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 or 740-502-8300



Following Jesus With Our Words

GATHERING

Prelude Rachelle Lyndaker Schlabach
Call to Worship Jim Schlabach

PRAISING

Voices Together Committee

VT 42 *Could it be that God is singing*
VT 274 *See whose glory fills the skies*

CHILDREN'S TIME: "Being Frank"

Arlene Yoder

HEARING GOD'S WORD

Scripture Reading: James 3:1-12
Sermon: *Taming the Tongue* Keith Lyndaker Schlabach

RESPONDING to GOD'S WORD

Song of Response: VT 309 *Fill us with your feast*
Offering
Congregational Sharing & Prayer
Announcements

SENDING

Closing Song: VT 755 *To my precious Lord*
Benediction

Front art— "Wisdom". Painting by Olusola David Ayibiowu.
From *Art in the Christian Tradition*, a project of the Vanderbilt
Divinity Library, Nashville, TN.
From the artist: "This painting represents a female figure
asking for God wisdom... Wisdom. being interpreted as
follows W:Wise I:Insight S:Self-Control D:Discreet O:Optimism
M:Meditation"

Songbook Key
VT=Voices Together (Purple)

September 12, 2021

Our Church

- Jerry Priebe is home from the hospital. Continue to keep him in your prayers as he recovers from pneumonia and heart surgery.
- Conrad Yoder had outpatient surgery for his heel this past Friday. Pray that everything would go well and his body would fully heal.
- Continue to pray for Larry, Jean, and Beth Sheets as they prepare to move to Danbury for a six-month trial period.
- Health: Tim Roth, Christine Nafziger
- Visitation: Dennis Gerber, Jocele Meyer, Caroll Roth, Larry & Jean Sheets, Paul Thomas

Local/Community/Mennonite Church

- Health: Kurt Stutzman, Mary Hipp

State/Nation/World/Missions

- Let us be in prayer for our nation, Afghanistan, and other peoples around the world who are still suffering from the repercussions of the September 11 attacks and the U.S. response to them. May we be characterized by compassion and respect rather than weapons and war.
- **From Mennonite Mission Network:** Jane and Jerrell Ross Richer's family is together on the North American part of their two-way mission — between Ecuador and the United States — through Mennonite Mission Network. Pray for God's leading, as health issues and logistical problems, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, have caused many changes to their plans.

Prayer & Praise

Prayer for the Week (VT 1042):

Dios nuestro santuario, concédenos a nosotros y a nuestros vecinos cercanos y lejanos valentía en nuestros corazones, paz en nuestros hogares, y justicia en nuestras calles. Amen

Help Paul Thomas Celebrate 90th Birthday

Paul Thomas will be celebrating his 90th birthday on September 22! He would enjoy receiving cards and notes from his church family.
His address is: 244 Woodbury Circle, Dalton OH 44618. Thank You!

Join Conrad for a Virtual CONSPIRE Conference

September 24-26 is the Center for Action and Contemplation's last CONSPIRE conference, which will be all virtual. Sessions are 11a-7p each day. Conrad will be hosting it at the church building; feel free to join as much as you would like. Sunday sessions at the church will start at about 1p. Presenters include James Finley, Barbara Holmes, Jacqui Lewis, Brian McLaren, Richard Rohr, and Mirabai Starr. For more info: <https://cac.org/conspire-2021/> or contact Conrad Yoder at 740-502-1745.

Join Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) for the third MCC U.S. Color of Compromise webinar featuring Sandra Maria Van Opstal on September 28th at 1:00 p.m. EDT.

From the depth of her experience ministering to the Hispanic and Latino community, writer, speaker and co-founder of Chasing Justice movement, Sandra Maria Van Opstal will speak about the impact of the church's complicity in racism on the Hispanic and Latino community here in the U.S. Register for the free webinar here: mcc.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_mn84mcwBTHu_qqUaiNFQKw. For more information on past webinars in the series, visit mcc.org/color-of-compromise.

**Five Fall Cluster Meetings Are Scheduled**

Please mark your calendar: Five fall cluster meetings have been scheduled for delegates to the Ohio Conference Annual Conference Assembly. Each meeting will begin at 6:30 p.m. and last approximately 90 minutes.

Locations are as follows:

- Oct. 19 — Beech Mennonite Church, Louisville
- Oct. 21 — Bethel Mennonite Church, West Liberty
- Oct. 28 — Lockport Mennonite Church, Stryker
- Nov. 2 — Orrville Mennonite Church, Orrville
- Nov. 8 — Online meeting via Zoom



Cluster
Meetings

September 12, 2021

Notes from today's worship service



Treasurer's Report 2021

Offering for September 3-8, 2021

General Fund:	\$ 2,453.42
Extended Missions:	
Designated:	50.00
Youth:	50.00
Total Offering:	\$ 2,553.42

General Offering		Giving Per Sunday Avg.	
YTD Goal	\$ 134,300.00	Budget Goal	\$ 3,950.00
YTD Giving	<u>132,295.12</u>	Actual Avg. Giving	<u>3,891.03</u>
Over/(Under)	\$ (2,004.88)	Over/(Under)	\$ (58.97)

Upcoming Events

- September 15 - Worship Focus Group meeting, 6:30 pm
- September 16 - Addressing Racism, Zoom meeting, 6:30 pm
- September 18 - Holmes County Home Benefit Auction
- September 22 - First day of Autumn

Millersburg Mennonite Church Announcements

Live-Stream Only: The COVID rates in Holmes County remain high, well above the threshold of 100 cases per 100,000 residents, so our service this Sunday will be live-stream only.

Outdoor Worship: Next Sunday, September 19, our worship service will be in person at Raber's 40 Acres (6778 Township Road 310, Millersburg). Please bring a lawn chair and a lunch if you'd like to stay afterwards.

Trail and Table: Trail and Table is an opportunity for fellowship with one another, with a hike followed by a meal. It is open to anyone, whether connected to MMC or not. The hike will be at Mohican State Park. The group will meet at 4 pm September 25th at the fire tower parking area. We will hike the 3/4 mile loop Clear Fork Gorge State Nature Preserve Trail with the option to extend the hike with an out and back hike on the Hog Hollow trail. Afterwards, we will gather at the home of John and Kari Krabill (627 E. Main St, Loudonville) to eat. Please bring your own food as we have done for church meals recently. If anyone is interested in hosting Trail and Table in October or a future month feel free to contact John or Kari.

MMC announcements continued →

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Bible Class: Berlin Mennonite invites all who are interested to join their fall Bible series, "The Bible as Story." The sessions will be on Zoom from October 6-November 10, 6:45-8 pm, and will be taught by Hesston College Bible Professor Nick Ladd. A recommended donation for the class is \$20. Individuals who participate may wish to purchase the accompanying book, *The Bible As Story*, Second Edition (2017) by Marion Bontrager, Michele Hershberger, and John E. Sharp.

Youth Events: Berlin Mennonite MYF would like to partner with our senior youth (high school age) for youth activities. Most activities will be Wednesday evenings at Berlin Mennonite Church. Contact Keith for a schedule and more information.

Addressing Racism as the Church: From August 26-September 30, Rachelle is leading a six-week series called "Addressing Racism as the Church". The sessions are each Thursday evening from 6:30-7:30 pm on Zoom. She is using the book, "Dear White Peacemakers" as a guide; reading it is recommended but not required. Please contact Rachelle if you'd like a copy of the book or for any more information.

Help Wanted to Form Pastoral Discernment Team

It has been nearly a year since Keith and Rachelle arrived to serve in a two year interim pastoral role. As the church council and the elders begin to envision the process for choosing our next pastor, we have encountered a unique opportunity. Keith and Rachelle have expressed their willingness to stay as pastors if the congregation would discern that this is God's calling. This would be unique, as interim pastors do not commonly stay as permanent pastors.

The elders and the church council are seeking individuals to participate in a discernment process over the next several months to consider Rachelle and Keith as our permanent pastors. We are asking that those who relate to Millersburg Mennonite Church submit up to 3 names of individuals who you consider to have the gifts which would help in this important discernment process. The council and the elders will then consider the nominations to select a five person team to prayerfully consider what God is calling us to.

Thank you for listening to the voice of God and for praying for our congregation and for our next pastor/pastors. **Nominations should be sent to Bruce Kooker no later than September 25th.** His email is bkooker67@gmail.com.

Thank You from Beth Hershberger

I want to thank the congregation for the flowers, cards, food and prayers for my healing I received following my gallbladder surgery three weeks ago. I am back to my regular activities and feeling good. Thanks so much!