

Lenten Lunches

March 23 - Soup Lunch
April 6 - Potluck

During this reflective season, we hope that our lunches can be a chance for intentional sharing with one another in addition to being a fun chance to catch up. As we eat together we will have questions at each table to stimulate sharing as a group for those who feel comfortable. We will also have a member of the congregation share a short testimony with the larger group after lunch.

Children will also have fun activities from 12:30 – 1:30
Infants through 6 years: Childcare and crafts upstairs
7 years through 12 years: Kids Club!

All are invited to stay during these times
for meaningful fellowship and stories.

*Brought to you by Worship Committee
(Steve Mather, Rachel Miller, Nathan Stehouwer and Kanagys)
AND
Fellowship and Family Life Committee
(Christina Stehouwer, Angela Thornton, Nan Kanagy)*



Keep these people in your prayers as they celebrate another year of life!

***Contact the church office for a
list of upcoming birthdays***



Friendship Mennonite Church

March 16, 2014

Welcome
Opening Song
Call to Worship
Songs of Praise
Scripture Reading
Sermon: Daniel Owolabi
Responding Song
Congregational Sharing and Prayer
Offering
Announcements
Sending Song

Visiting this week?

Welcome to Friendship Mennonite Church!

We are so glad you've joined us for worship! We hope you find a place to belong and consider joining us in God's mission. We are looking for people to join us who are interested in learning more about Jesus, becoming a disciple and finding out God's purpose for them in life!

Announcements

- **Thank you to Daniel Owolabi** for bringing us the message this morning! Daniel has been the Pastor of Congregational Care at Walnut Creek Mennonite Church since 2011. He previously taught at Garaway high school before coming into pastoral ministry. Dan is married to Erica (Mishler) and has a daughter, Eden.
- **Pastors Kevin and Nan** are taking some rest time away and meeting up with some pastor friends in Florida from March 3-17. They will return to the office on Wednesday, March 19.
- **The Friendship Vocal Ensemble** is leading the music for our Easter Sunday (April 20) celebration. Practices are scheduled immediately after worship services for March 16 and March 30, and the April 13. All voices are welcome, high and low, operatic and non-operatic. As usual, I appreciate your participation and thank you for your vocal and all other talents!!
- **The Friendship Bell Choir**, ages five and older, will be ringing bells during our Easter Sunday (April 20) celebration. Practices are scheduled during Children's Church on the fourth Sunday of March, March 23, and the first Sunday of April, April 6. Parents, thank you for your child's participation.
- **Donations to MCC** Each month, Joe Kotva makes a trip to MCC Connections in Kidron, Ohio. He is always willing to take any egg cartons, soup labels, or glass canning jars that others may have to donate.
- **Coffee and Doughnuts anyone?** Please sign up in the lobby for a new year of sharing food and drink with the church on Sunday morning. Thanks to all who have done so this far! Contact **Christina Stehouwer** or **Angela Thornton** with questions.
- **Save the Date!** All women are invited and encouraged to attend the Ohio Mennonite Women Spring Day of Inspiration. This day will be held at nearby Lee Heights Community Church on Saturday, April 5, 2014.
- **Prayer Time** All are invited to join together from 9:00-9:30 for a time of prayer for our church and community and for what God is doing around us. We will meet in the Conference Room on the following Sundays: March 23, and April 13 & 27.
- **Additional Giving for last Sunday:** Sunday School: \$12.00; MCC Meat Canner: \$30.00.

Serving Our Church Today

Worship Leader: Shirley Coblentz *Song Leader:* S Mather & R Miller
Piano: Rhonda Savage *Usher:* Todd Miller
Sunday School Nursery: Chris Coblentz *Greeter:* Rudy Coblentz
Worship Nursery: R & R Arn *Sunday Building Trustee:* R Coblentz
A/V Team (Sound/PowerPoint): Nate Arn & Eric Miller

Serving Next Sunday

Worship Leader: Nan Kanagy *Song Leader:* Nan Kanagy
Usher: Jonathan Hartzler *Greeter:* Ryan Claassen
SS Nursery: Rudy Coblentz *Worship Nursery:* A Gingerich & R Claassen
Sunday Building Trustee: Joe Kotva

Looking Ahead

Sunday, March 23	Lenten Luncheon after Worship
Tuesday, March 25	Administrative Team Meeting 6:30 pm
Sunday, March 30	MCC Relief Kits 9:30 am
Saturday, April 5	Women's Day of Inspiration
Sunday, April 6	Lenten Luncheon after Worship

Giving for Last Sunday

Church Offering:
\$2404.55

Weekly Budget:
\$1371.00

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Mennonite Central Committee Relief Kits



Looking for a way to serve? MCC Relief Kits Coming soon!

Why not take on a new discipline during this season of Lent? Purchase something for someone else every time you go grocery? Donate items like soap, towels and toothbrushes (see the full list below). We will be collecting items for MCC Relief Kits during the month of March. Save the date for **March 30** during the Christian Ed Hour as we put these kits together.

Relief kits provide valuable supplies to families traumatized by war and disasters. In recent years, kits have been sent to Haiti, Iraq, Gaza, Bosnia, Serbia, Nepal, Mozambique, Indonesia and Honduras.

Contents (NEW items only)

- 4 large bars bath soap (leave in wrapping)
- 1 plastic bottle shampoo (380-710ml / 13-24oz; place bottle in a re-sealable plastic bag)
- 4 large bars of laundry soap (Some stores carry Fels Naptha, Sunlight or Zote brands; contact your local MCC warehouse with questions)
- 1 squeeze-tube toothpaste (minimum 130ml / 6oz; leave in box)
- 4 adult-size toothbrushes (leave in packaging)
- 4 new bath towels (medium weight, dark or bright colors)
- 2 wide-tooth combs(6 to 8in / 15 to 20cm)
- 1 fingernail clipper
- 1 box adhesive bandages (minimum 40, assorted)
- 1 package sanitary pads (18-24 thin maxi)

Adult Christian Education

Adults are invited to join us starting March 23rd for the next Spring Adult Education offering- a Bible study of the relationship between Jesus and the Old Testament. We'll start with a look at prophets such as Isaiah, Jeremiah, and Zechariah and explore how they speak to Jesus's life as told in the Gospels. We'll then move to look at how Jesus used scripture from Deuteronomy and Leviticus. Join us from 9:30-10:30 in the Conference Room.

- March 23rd- Revelation 5:6-13 & Care Group Time
- March 30th- Service Sunday- assembling MCC Kits
- April 6- Isaiah 56:6-7; Jeremiah 7:9-11; Mark 11:15-19
- April 13- Jeremiah 23: 5-6; Zechariah 6:9-15; John 19: 1-5 & Care Group Time
- April 20- Easter Breakfast
- April 27- Isaiah 52:5-8b; Luke 24:25-27, 44-47 & Care Group Time

Join us for a walk through the scriptures!