

The Bounty in Absence

Sabbatical 2015

Pastors Kevin and Nan Kanagy will be on a three month sabbatical from February 1 through April 30 this year. Worship Committee has chosen the theme "**Bounty in Absence**" for this time period and we look forward to seeing how God will move in our midst. Please contact Elder Rhonda Savage if a pastoral need arises.

This week, the Kanagy's will be traveling to Kansas. They will be attending the Centralized Missional Conference, visiting Hesston College and Journey Mennonite Church's campuses, and spending time with Kevin's family.

Each Sunday, we will host a different speaker who will share with us about what God is doing in the world around us. Three of the Sundays during this time will be "Retreat Sundays" and we will be invited to share in worship together in creative ways, followed by a potluck.

Watch this space weekly for updates, and prayer requests from the Kanagy Family, as well as weekly scriptures to help guide us through this time.

February Speakers and Scriptures:

Today – Ben Price, The Mentoring Network – Mark 6:30-44

February 15 – Retreat Sunday – Mark 6:45-52

February 22 – Robin Miller, Lee Heights Community Church –
Genesis 9:8-17; Peter 3:18-22



Happy Birthday!



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

February 8, 2015

Welcome
Opening Song
Call to Worship
Songs of Praise
Scripture Reading: Mark 6:30-44
Sermon: "Reset"
Ben Price, The Mentoring Network
Responding Song
Congregational Sharing & Prayer
Offering – *Jacob Coblentz, Saxophone*
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 in life!

Announcements

- **Thank you to Ben Price** for bringing the message this morning! Ben grew up in Cleveland, where he attended John Marshall High School and Baldwin Wallace University. He currently works as the Coordinator of Character Development for The Mentoring Network and has volunteered for the past 6 years as the Youth Pastor for his church in North Olmsted. Ben joined on staff with the Mentoring Network after working as a retail manager for 5 ½ years. He currently facilitates several programs for the Mentoring Network in Bedford and Bedford Heights Communities and assists in other areas of the organization. He has a strong desire to give of his time and energy in hopes that he can have a positive impact on the lives of the young men and women across the greater Cleveland area. Growing up in a single parent household, he now embraces the importance of what a father figure is and strives to lead by example. Ben and his wife Rachel have 5 children.
- **Retreat Sunday:** Next Sunday, February 15, will be our first “Retreat Sunday.” Please join us for a special Mardi Gras retreat Sunday, where we "set the table" in preparation for the upcoming Lenten season. This celebratory service, featuring music, drama, a children's story and communion, will encourage us to joyfully remember Christ and the many whom he invites to the feasting table. Stay afterward for a potluck and fellowship as we continue the celebration
- **Canned Goods!** Looking for a way to give this winter? We are always receiving calls at the church for people who are in need this season. Please bring canned goods to restock our food pantry. You may also donate gift cards to give out to those who may need additional groceries this season. Thank you.
- **MC USA Convention** This summer, MC USA’s Convention will take place in Kansas City. From June 30-July 5, Mennonites will gather to encounter Jesus together. Visit www.mennoniteusa.org/convention for details!
- **Additional Giving for last Sunday:** Camp Luz Fundraiser: \$446.00; Meals on Wheels: \$20.00; MCC Meat Canner: \$30.00.

Serving Our Church Today

Worship Leader: April Mather
Piano: Rhonda Savage
Sunday School Nursery: Steve Mather
Worship Nursery: Angela Thornton
Sunday Building Trustee: Mather

Song Leader: Rachel Miller
Usher: Chris Coblentz
Greeter: Jerrald Covington
A/V Team: Eric Miller

Serving Next Sunday

Worship Leader: A Gingerich & M Witmer-Rich
Song Leader: J Witmer-Rich
Usher: Chris Savage
Greeter: Bill Speight
SS Nursery: Ryan Claassen
Worship Nursery: Sue Schmucker Coblentz
A/V Team: Ben Yoder
Sunday Building Trustee: Yoder

Looking Ahead

Sunday, February 15
Retreat Sunday
Potluck Meal after Worship

Giving for Last Sunday

Church Offering:
\$3540.00

Weekly Budget:
\$1371.00

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