

Restore Us, Oh God

Lent 2017

Lent Readings – Week 3

Exodus 17:1-7; Psalm 95;

Romans 5:1-11; John 4:5-42

Our bodies know the desperate need for water: we cannot survive without it. Likewise, our deepest selves are parched and yearn to be drenched in God's love. God, who is Love, quenches our thirst so that we can live into the fullness of life.

Our world is filled with many voices and distractions that call us away from God. As we enter the season of Lent, let us step back and find space and opportunities for reflection. Empty yourself from what distracts you and renew your commitment to God's voice.



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

March 19, 2017

Welcome
Opening Song
Call to Worship
Songs of Praise
Children's Moment
Scripture Reading: John 4:5-42
Sermon: "God's Thirst-Quenching Love" Brother Dan
Song of Response
Congregational Sharing & Prayer
Offering
Announcements
Sending Song
Benediction

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

- **Next Sunday**, our service will include an invitation to prayer and anointing for healing.
- **Youth and Mentor Lent Activity** The youth (grades 6 and up) will meet after church on Sunday, March 26, for a special Lent activity. We'll provide pizza – please bring a side dish or dessert to share! All youth are welcome! Please RSVP to Cara Speros if you plan on attending.
- **City Fresh** will be starting soon! City fresh is a weekly community supported agriculture (ie fruit and veggie) stand hosted at FMC on Wednesdays from June-August. This year we are looking for at least one more person to help us plan and connect with people in our community and in the day care. If you are interested, please see April Mather.
- **Thank you from Mennonite Mission Network** Thank you, Friendship Mennonite Church, for giving \$2312.00 to Mennonite Mission Network in 2016! Your donations, prayers, participation, and enthusiasm for mission play a vital role in our global church. Thank you for doing your part.
- **Annual Conference Assembly** Central Christian School in Kidron will host the 2017 Annual Conference Assembly (ACA) of the Ohio Conference on March 24-25, 2017. "Who is my Neighbor?" will be the theme of the 2017 ACA. This theme is based on Luke 10:25-37. A missional conference with Alan and Debra Hirsch will take place March 23-24 at Kidron Mennonite Church immediately prior to ACA. Online registration is now open for both of these events. More information can be found online at <http://ohiomennoniteconference.org/annual-assembly/about-annual-assembly/>
- **Easter Breakfast** We will gather at 9:30 on Easter Sunday for our annual breakfast. Be on the lookout for a sign-up sheet, and see Nate Stehouwer with questions.
- **Additional Giving for last Sunday:** Sunday School: \$9.00.

Serving Our Church Today

Worship Leader: Amy Gingerich

Song Leader: Rhonda Savage

Piano: Elizabeth Jones

Usher: Todd Miller

Sunday School Nursery: Todd Miller

Greeters: C & N Stehouwer

Worship Nursery: April Mather

A/V Team: Nate Arn

Sunday Building Trustee: Miller Family

Serving Next Sunday

Worship Leader: Anita Hooley Yoder

Song Leader: Christina Stehouwer

Usher: Jonathan Hartzler

Greeter: Ryan Claassen

SS Nursery: R & L Hurley

Worship Nursery: Amy Gingerich

A/V Team: Ben Speros

Sunday Building Trustee: Witmer-Rich Family

Looking Ahead

March 23-24

Missional Conference @Kidron Mennonite

March 24-25

Ohio Conference Annual Conference Assembly

Sunday, March 26

Youth/Mentor Lent Activity

Thursday, April 13

Maundy Thursday Service

Sunday, April 16

Easter Breakfast 9:30 am

Giving for Last Sunday

Church Offering:

\$224.00

Weekly Budget:

\$1463.00

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