

Benton Mennonite Church

October 4 2009 *World Communion Sunday*

Worship Leader: Jill H Kaufman
Song Leader: Lyn Buschert
Stewards: R³

Speakers: Annali Smucker,
Maria Byler, Hannah Miller

Pre-service song
Songsheet *Jesus, be the center*

Call to worship
Opening prayer

STJ 5 *Come and be light for our eyes*
STJ 16 *Praise with joy the world's creator*

Scripture *James 5:13-20*

HWB 582 *Guide me, O thou great Jehovah*
HWB 472 *I am the bread of life*
Offering

Birthday recognition
Sharing

Song of response

Maria Byler joins as member
Sharing and congregational prayer

Foot washing and communion

Benediction

Today

- ✠ **9:30 am Worship** – Three Ministry Inquiry Program participants at Goshen College share about their experiences.
- ✠ All baptized believers are welcome to participate in communion.
- ✠ During footwashing, Sharing Fund offerings may be put in the basket at the front and all are welcome to come forward for a blessing and/or anointing with oil.
- ✠ **11 am Sunday school** – all adult classes hear from the summer experiences of three more Goshen College students
- ✠ 11:50 am – Campaign leadership team meeting
- ✠ **Noon fellowship meal**

Next Sunday is Prayer Sunday

- ✠ Kick-off for the Expanding Our Welcome Campaign.
- ✠ Brenda will preach on prayer, based on Luke 11:1-13; 1 Chronicles 4:9-10
- ✠ Steve Bustos will introduce key campaign events
- ✠ Prayer calendars and inserts will be distributed.
- ✠ Noon – fellowship meal

Worship Team for Next Sunday

Worship Leader – Jill H Kaufman Song Leader – Lyn Buschert
AV Technician – Troy Risser Stewards – R³
Greeters – Esther Kauffman and Ruth Schlabach

Attendance for Sunday, September 27 2009

Total: 84
Visitors: 18

HWB = Hymnal Worship Book (Blue) MH = Mennonite Hymnal (Red)
BF = Blue Folder STJ = Sing the Journey (Green)

Please remember in prayer...

- † Emily Taylor's family as they grieve the sudden loss of her grandfather.
- † Church agencies as they face tough financial choices. Pray for wisdom and discernment.
- † Those who will receive school kits from Mennonite Central Committee.
- † Viewers who watch [Third Way Media's](#) new documentary, *Long Road Back: Ex-Offenders' Struggle for Acceptance*. Pray that they may find renewed hope for their lives. This documentary begins airing today on NBC-TV.

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God calls us into a community of faith
forms us into disciples
sends us into the world.



Congregational Prayer

Loving God, within and around us, we revere you.
We seek to live life as you would want us to;
with love and respect for all people and all things in the universe.
May we find each day sufficient for our needs,
and find forgiveness when we do wrong,
just as we forgive those who do wrong to us.
In times of trouble, may we center our lives in you.
For your being is love,
which comes with strength and with beauty,
throughout eternity. Amen.

(Margaret Rolfe)

Worship speakers

- ✝ **Maria Byler** went to an immigrant church in Philadelphia, Philadelphia Praise Center, and worked for Franconia Conference. She acted as a Mennonite representative to the New Sanctuary Movement, an immigrant advocacy organization.
- ✝ **Hannah Miller** served in Harrisonburg, Virginia with the Early Church and Our Community Place. The Early Church is a small, enthusiastic congregation that recently joined the Virginia Mennonite Conference. Our Community Place is a community resource center, day center for the homeless, daily soup kitchen, job provider, etc. She also attended Mennonite World Conference in Paraguay through her home congregation.
- ✝ **Annali Smucker** worked with Oxford Circle Mennonite Church and Oxford Circle Christian Community Development Association, an off-shoot of the church, in the Philadelphia area. She worked with a summer camp for children at Oxford Village, the public housing project next to the church, and shadowed pastor Leonard Dow.

Sunday school speakers

- ✝ **Camry Hess** attended in August a conference in Amman, Jordan, titled East West Dialogue. Co-sponsored by Mennonite Central Committee, it included people from seven different countries who were Muslim and Christian.
- ✝ **Melody Musser** participated in the Service Inquiry Program at the Roberta Webb Child Care Center, a non-profit day care for low-income families, in Harrisonburg, Virginia.
- ✝ **Sarah Rody** worked at Camp Luz in Kidron, Ohio through the Camping Inquiry Program. She was a counselor, recreation and ropes course leader, and weekly coordinator during the different weeks of the summer. She also worked at the convention in Columbus as a Junior High small group leader.