

Psalm 91:2 (NIV) "I will say of the Lord, "He is my refuge, and my fortress, my God, in whom I trust."

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## **MT. CLINTON MENNONITE CHURCH**

**February 25, 2024**

Blessings to you this day! We welcome you to our Sunday School at 9:30. We have a combined Sunday School class that is exploring the Voices Together hymnal, and meets in the sanctuary. Children's SS classes are in the basement Sunday School rooms. Our worship service begins at 10:30.

Call to Worship & Prayer    Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16

Songs

Offering

Children's Lesson

Scripture                      Romans 10:8b-13

Songs

Scripture                      Luke 4:1-13

Sermon

Song of Response

Sharing and Prayer

Announcements

Closing Song

Benediction

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| Worship Leader    | Matt Trost       |
| Song Leader       | Gordie Shantz    |
| Prelude/Offertory | Anika Trost      |
| Scripture Reading | Jim Hershberger  |
| Sermon            | Patrick Nafziger |
| Children's Lesson | Crystal Trost    |

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**Prayer Focus:** Pray for VMMission's Servant Leader Quest program that works with local youth in Christian growth and Leadership training.

### **Announcements**

**Fellowship Meal** will be next Sunday, March 3 following service.

**This Wednesday evening** at 7 pm is our Zoom prayer meeting. We will read Psalm 90:5-12 then share in prayer together. The link is <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86330472266>

**Directory Update!** A copy of your most recent directory page with an attached update form has been placed in mailboxes. Please fill out the form and place in the Admin Assistant's mailbox by next Sunday, March 3. Please email any new photos to the church office at [mcmc6954@gmail.com](mailto:mcmc6954@gmail.com)

**In celebration of Mount Clinton's 150th anniversary**, we have set the goal of contributing 150 school kits to MCC. Rather than asking the congregation to shop for the kit contents, we are instead going to purchase them at a *discounted price* through the Gifts for Relief Warehouse in PA. Jim and Ann have agreed to bring the kit contents back to the church where the congregation will have the opportunity to help pack the kits sometime in the spring. **Next Sunday, March 3** we will collect a special offering for this purpose with the **goal of raising \$850**. Any monies collected over this amount will be donated to MCC toward the cost of shipping the kits to families in need. Gifts can be made by cash, check, or through Park View FCU (designate School Kits on the memo for the latter two options). *Consider how you can give generously to this project!* Questions? Contact Cindy Smoker, 540-746-6932

**The Adult Sunday School class** that meets downstairs will begin a study of the Psalms in March using Eugene Peterson's book, *Answering God: The Psalms as Tools for Prayer*.

**If you choose to send Branson Fink a card** for his March 6 birthday, remember to send it via his sister, Doris. Please note that she has a new address: Doris Fink, P O Box 145, Weyers Cave VA 24486-0145.

**All women are invited to gather Saturday, March 23 (note date change), at 9 am at Village Hall.** We look forward to having Janie Heatwole give us a brief history of MDS (Mennonite Disaster Service), then share about their current work locations and what it was like for her and Conrad to volunteer during the month of January. Come enjoy fellowship with your MCMC sisters, hot drinks and refreshments, and a time of prayer as well. If you plan to bring food to share, it would be helpful to let Cindy Smoker or Crystal Trost know. Hope you can join us!

**On March 29, Good Friday evening** at 6 pm we will have a Good Friday service in which we read scripture and sing songs remembering Jesus' suffering and death.

**March 31, Easter Sunday** is the fifth Sunday so we get to sing many Easter songs! We also invite anyone interested to come to several choir rehearsals to practice for several Easter songs.

**All women are invited** to a half-day retreat: Emotions Education 101 led by Dana Blauch. Plan to join us in Village Hall from **9 am to 1 pm on Saturday, April 13** (note date change from earlier announcement). Save the date; more details to follow. Contact Crystal Trost or Cindy Smoker with questions.

**Time to plan for SWAP!** The week available for us is a little earlier and that is June 24 - June 29. Let Lowell know if you might go, or if you definitely can't go.

**SAVE THE DATE – MARK YOUR CALENDAR!**

On Sunday, September 29 we will celebrate our 150 years of living and serving. Be on the lookout for ongoing information!

**WE WANT YOU TO KNOW**

**February 18**

Offering: Budget – \$3,798.00  
WRF – \$150.00

Attendance: Worship Service – Church 50; Zoom 22; Facebook 2; Total 74  
Adult Sunday School – Total 29  
Sanctuary Classroom – Church 24; Zoom, 0; Other 3  
Downstairs Classroom - 2  
Children's Sunday School – Children 5; Adults 3

**February 25 Greeter:** Marha Clymer

**March 3 Greeters:** Lowell & Sharyn Tieszen

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