

JULY 30, 2023

CROWN HILL NEWS

Preaching: Sherah-Leigh Gerber

Sermon: Part of the Story

Scripture: Luke 24:13-21

PRAYERS

- Remember the unspoken requests for families in our congregation
- Pray for peace between Ukraine & Russia.
- Pray for Julie & Dan as they finish up their time in Guatemala and travel home this week.
- Remember Larry Morrison & Ken Kurtz as they continue with treatments for cancer. Pray for Larry as he has an appointment with a neurosurgeon on July 12th.
- Pray for our shut-ins & nursing home residents: Suzan, Carolyn, Pete, Elmer and Ila. Pray for the caregivers in the congregation and others who are providing much needed support.
- Pray for Elmer Richard as he has been moved to the Apostolic Home



Welcome, Sherah-Leigh Gerber!

The friend you want to have coffee with when sorting through life, I'm here to listen deeply, offer insights and encouragement and to walk with you through whatever season of life you are in.

I value integrity and honesty. Deep and direct conversations are lifegiving to me, and I bring clarity and structure in discernment situations. I am thoughtful and thorough in my approach to all things and empower others towards positive action.

Rooted in the Anabaptist tradition, my theological training and two decades of ministry experience inform my work. As an ordained minister in Mennonite Church USA I have served as a congregational pastor and leader in church-related organizations and non-profit spaces.

Born in Canada, I grew up in a pastor's family and moved to the United States in middle school. I studied at University and Seminary on the East Coast and now make my home on a fifth generation farm in the Midwest with my family.

Happy Birthday!

31 David Nussbaum

4 Jason Murvine

5 Katie Stauffer

Offering 7/16

Manor Fund \$120

Coins Count Matching Fund \$500

Bus Trip \$246

General \$3589

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **LANCASTER BUS TRIP** - If you are signed up to go on the bus trip to Lancaster, there will be travel information in your mailbox either this week or next.
- **It hurts to lose a loved one. Find help at GriefShare.** GriefShare helps group members apply biblical principles to the healing process after the death of a loved one. Throughout the videos and workbook, participants see how the gospel brings hope and restoration. GriefShare is a friendly, caring group of people who will walk alongside you through one of life's most difficult experiences. You don't have to go through the grieving process alone. Plans are being made to start a new GriefShare group Wednesday, September 13, depending upon expressions of interest in doing so. The sessions are 75 minutes in length (4:00-5:15 p.m.) once a week for 13 weeks including a video presentation and group discussion. If you would like more information, or to express interest in joining, please contact Gladys Geiser (330-201-1510) or the Kidron Mennonite Church office (330-857-3461). Please respond by September 1.
- **Dan & Thomas Summer Travel Plans:**
 - July 24-August 1, Dan in Guatemala with family
- **An open house will be held for Haroldo Nunes** and his family on Sunday, July 30, from 3 to 5 p.m. at Sonnenberg Mennonite Church (14367 Hackett Road, Kidron). Open Arms Hispanic Ministry wants to celebrate and express appreciation to Haroldo for his 17 years of ministry with Open Arms. Snacks and drinks will be provided.

Greetings Conference Pastors, Credential Ministers, Congregations and Delegates,

It is with profound sadness that the Leadership Team of Ohio Conference of Mennonite Church USA received and accepted the official notification of retirement for Conference Minister Dick Barrett. Dick will officially retire from his Conference Minister role and all ministerial duties on Oct. 13, 2023. Dick has been an outstanding asset and resource to the Conference since he began his assignment as Conference Minister in the fall of 2018 on a part-time basis and began his full-time work with the Conference in January 2019. Dick always had a cheerful smile and warm greeting for all those he came in contact with in both his professional and personal interactions.

Ohio Conference Leadership Team will be meeting next week to begin looking for a possible Transitional Conference Minister to serve while a search committee is formed to seek a permanent replacement for the Conference Minister position that Dick is vacating.

Our prayers, blessings and best wishes are extended to Dick, Mary and their family as they all begin this new journey.

Respectfully, Ken Sims, moderator



SUNDAY SONGS

HWB 16 - God is here among us

Here I Am to Worship

HWB 345 - God sent his Son

HWB 493 - I heard the voice of Jesus say

HWB 327 - Great is thy faithfulness

HWB 491 - Softly and tenderly Jesus is calling