



# Orrville Mennonite Church

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## Order of Worship

**April 6, 2025**

**5th Sunday in Lent**

### Welcome

#### Gathering Songs

*Lift Your Glad Voices*

WB 275\*

*What a Friend We Have in Jesus*

WB 573\*

### Call to Worship and Lamp Lighting

Leader: We come to worship this morning with all of who we are.

**Piano Side: Our troubles and laments** (*one lamp is lit*).

*Offering Side: Our victories and joys* (*one lamp is lit*).

Leader: We come to worship this morning as part of a community of Jesus followers here and all over the world (*one lamp is lit*).

**Piano Side: As we gather, we wonder who else could bless us and be blessed by becoming a part of us.**

*Offering Side: We trust you, Lord, for growing our community* (*one lamp is lit*).

**All: We come to worship together, Lord, because you are our hope. You are our strength. You are our everything, and we are grateful** (*final lamp is lit*).

### Singing

*O God in Heaven*

SJ 53

### Responsive Reading    Proverbs 3.13-19, 5-6\* and Love Step Prayer

Leader: Happy are those who find wisdom and those who gain understanding.

*Offering Side: Her profit is better than silver, and her gain better than gold.*

**Piano Side: Her value exceeds pearls; all you desire →**

**can't compare with her.**

*Offering Side: In her right hand is a long life; in her left are wealth and honor. Her ways are pleasant; all her paths are peaceful.*

**Piano Side: She is a tree of life to those who embrace her; those who hold her tight are happy.**

Leader: The LORD laid the foundations of the earth with wisdom, establishing the heavens with understanding.

*Offering Side: Trust in the LORD with all your heart; don't rely on your own intelligence.*

**Piano Side: Know [the Lord] in all your paths, and he will keep your ways straight.**

**All: Open my eyes to see when you introduce me to someone.**

**Help me to meet them with love where they are and to be met in love where I am. Help us to walk together, learn from each other, and share your love with others. Help us to see that as we do these things together, we are growing closer to Christ. Amen.**

**Singing**                      *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross*                      WB 259\*

### **Offering Prayer**

The \$ Project for April and May will be the Youth trip to Florida to serve under Mennonite Disaster Service led by Elvis Otieno.

**Offering Song**                      *The Lord is My Light*                      SJ 97

**Scripture**                      Matthew 18.15-20

<sup>15</sup> "If your brother or sister sins against you, go and correct them when you are alone together. If they listen to you, then you've won over your brother or sister. <sup>16</sup> But if they won't listen, take with you one or two others so that *every word may be established by the mouth of two or three witnesses*. <sup>17</sup> But if they still won't pay attention, report it to the church. If they won't pay attention even to the church, treat them as you would a Gentile and tax collector. <sup>18</sup> I assure you that whatever you fasten on earth will be fastened in heaven. And whatever you loosen on earth will be loosened in heaven. <sup>19</sup> Again I assure you that if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, then my Father who is in →

heaven will do it for you. <sup>20</sup> For where two or three are gathered in my name, I'm there with them."

**Message**

Elvis Otieno

**Song of Response**

*If You Believe and I Believe*

SJ 32

**Benediction**

**Sermon Response**

**Prayer Requests**

**Announcements**

*Songs and Scriptures with an "\*" are favorites of John Kauffman, whose April 8 birthday we celebrate today.*

Greeters, Liz Snyder, Nancy Hostetler

Usher, Ken Wenger

PA Operator, Norm Sohar

Song Leader, Bill Seymour

Reader, Amber Andreasen

Sharing and Prayer, Lou Erb

Preschool Nursery, Sky Lofty

Worship Nursery, Liz Snyder, Marilyn Kamp

Trustee (April), Stan Kamp

**Sermon Notes**

## **Announcements**

**We welcome Elvis Otieno** to our worship service this morning as he shares God's Word with us!

**Monday Meals.** Last Monday, 196 meals were served. This coming Monday we will be serving BBQ pork sandwiches, a veggie and a piece of fruit.

**All are welcome to come celebrate James Owen's birthday** tomorrow, April 7<sup>th</sup>, from 6 – 8 pm in the church fellowship hall.

**Bill is moving things to Mom's room at Brookdale Memory Care this week.** On Tuesday, he'd like to move a loveseat, table, and a few odds and ends from his parents' basement to the room at Brookdale. Are there 3 people who would be willing to help? Please let Bill know Sunday if you are able to help. No more than two hours, and probably much less. Thanks!

**The Mennonite School Network (MSN) choir festival is coming up Sunday, April 13<sup>th</sup> from 3 – 5 pm at Central Christian School.** The festival has been an annual tradition for more than 60 years and has been one of the common denominators that bind us with similar schools throughout North America. This year Central is hosting it! We are excited to have Dr. Kevin Fenton from Florida State University be our guest conductor. He is a nationally recognized name in the choral world and has directed many all-state choirs and international festivals. There are 10 schools participating this year, so we anticipate a mass choir of approximately 350 students for the concert on Sunday afternoon. This will be a memorable event!

**A friendly Market Street neighbor is hosting a Children's Easter Egg Hunt** at the Orrville Mennonite Church "Meadow" on Sunday, April 13<sup>th</sup>, at 2 pm. Those with kids, grandkids, nieces, nephews...check your church mailbox for more information. You must RSVP by texting (330) 466-4417.

### **Sonnenberg Station Concerts**

- Sunday, April 6<sup>th</sup>, 3 pm at St. Paul's Lutheran, Massillon with Central's Singing Comets participating
- Sunday, April 6<sup>th</sup>, 7 pm at Faith Lutheran, Fairlawn

### **Schedule-At-A-Glance for April 6 – 13, 2025**

Sunday, April 6 **Fifth Sunday in Lent**

Gathering and Coffee Time, **9:00 am**

Sunday School, **9:30 am**

Worship, **10:30 am**

Elvis Otieno preaching

Monday, April 7

Monday Meal, 5:30 pm

**Birthday Party** for James Owen, 6 – 8 pm

Next Sunday, April 13, **Palm Sunday**

Gathering and Coffee Time, **9:00 am**

Sunday School, **9:30 am**

Worship, **10:30 am**

Bill Seymour preaching

### **Offering Report for March 30, 2025**

Ministry Spending Plan: \$1,051.01

Weekly Amount Needed for MSP: \$3,367.00

Compassion Fund: \$250.00

Central Christian School: \$50.00

Mennonite Central Committee: \$50.00

Mennonite Mission Network: \$100.00

Ohio Conference: \$200.00

Open Arms: \$100.00

Zuerchers: \$100.00

Dollar Project (Bobcat Closet): \$122.54

## Looking Ahead

### Thursday, April 17 – Maundy Thursday

Light supper, Communion & Footwashing, 6 pm

### Friday, April 18 – Good Friday service at Wooster MC, 7:30 pm

### Sunday, April 20 – Easter Sunday

Sunrise Service 7:15 am at Ramseyer Farms

Breakfast at Orrville Mennonite 8:30 am

Sunday School 9:30 am

Worship at 10:30 am

### Sunday, May 4 – Combined Worship with guest speaker,

Ann Graber Hershberger, Exec. Director for MCCUS

### April birthdays

3	Marion Beyeler	12	Sandy Miller
4	Liz Snyder	22	Kara Shilling
5	Marilyn Rossiter	23	Dale/Nancy Hostetler
6	James Owen	26	Marion/Jane Beyeler
8	Carol Davis	28	Larry Gerber
	John Kauffman		Jan Kauffman

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