



Orrville Mennonite Church

1305 W. Market St. Orrville Ohio 44667

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Order of Worship September 6, 2026

Gathering Songs	<i>I Owe the Lord a Morning Song</i>	MH 479
	<i>Come, My Soul, Thou Must Be</i>	MH 477

Call to Worship and Lamp Lighting

Leader: As we gather for worship, we light some lamps to remind us that we gather in context.

Offering Side: We have personal troubles and laments.

Piano Side: We also hold troubles and laments from the action of others and of our systems.

Offering Side: We have victories and joys.

Piano Side: We have brothers and sisters locally and around the world.

Offering Side: We have longings for our Orrville Mennonite Community to grow, spiritually and physically.

All: Lord, you are our hope, our light, our example, our strength. We trust you, Lord, for growing our community.

Singing	<i>How Wonderful Great</i>	WB 126
	<i>I Sing the Mighty Power of God</i>	WB 46

Responsive Reading Daniel 7.9-14

Leader: [Daniel writes of a vision]: As I was watching, thrones were raised up. The ancient one took his seat.

Piano Side: His clothes were white like snow; his hair was like a lamb's wool.

Offering Side: His throne was made of flame; its wheels were blazing fire.

Piano Side: A river of fire flowed out from his presence; thousands upon thousands served him; →

Offering Side: Ten thousand times ten thousand stood ready to serve him!

Leader: The court sat in session; the scrolls were opened. I kept watching. I watched from the moment the horn started bragging until the beast was killed and its body was destroyed, handed over to be burned with fire.

Piano Side: Then the authority of the remaining beasts was brought to an end,

Offering Side: But they were given an extension among the living for a set time and season.

Leader: As I continued to watch this night vision of mine, I suddenly saw ...

All: One like a human being coming with the heavenly clouds. He came to the ancient one and was presented before him.

Leader: Rule, glory, and kingship were given to him; all peoples, nations, and languages will serve him.

All: His rule is an everlasting one— it will never pass away!— his kingship is indestructible.

Dollar Project Introduction – Viola Startzman Clinic

Mark Yoder, Executive Director

Offering and Birthday Celebration

Introduction *Today, we celebrate Wilma Eash, whose birthday was August 28. The offering song is one of her favorites.*

Prayer for Wilma and for the offering
Singing

Scripture Reading

Luke 17.20-37

²⁰ Pharisees asked Jesus when God's kingdom was coming. He replied, "God's kingdom isn't coming with signs that are easily noticed. ²¹ Nor will people say, 'Look, here it is!' or 'There it is!' Don't you see? God's kingdom is already among you."

²² Then Jesus said to the disciples, "The time will come when you will long to see one of the days of the Human One, and you won't see it. ²³ People will say to you, 'Look there!' or 'Look here!' →

Don't leave or go chasing after them. ²⁴ The Human One will appear on his day in the same way that a flash of lightning lights up the sky from one end to the other. ²⁵ However, first he must suffer many things and be rejected by this generation.

²⁶ "As it was in the days of Noah, so it will be during the days of the Human One. ²⁷ People were eating, drinking, marrying, and being given in marriage until the day Noah entered the ark and the flood came and destroyed them all. ²⁸ Likewise in the days of Lot, people were eating, drinking, buying, selling, planting, and building. ²⁹ But on the day Lot left Sodom, fire and sulfur rained down from heaven and destroyed them all. ³⁰ That's the way it will be on the day the Human One is revealed. ³¹ On that day, those on the roof, whose possessions are in the house, shouldn't come down to grab them. Likewise, those in the field shouldn't turn back. ³² Remember Lot's wife! ³³ Whoever tries to preserve their life will lose it, but whoever loses their life will preserve it. ³⁴ I tell you, on that night two people will be in the same bed: one will be taken and the other left. ³⁵ Two women will be grinding grain together: one will be taken and the other left."

³⁷ The disciples asked, "Where, Lord?"

Jesus said, "The vultures gather wherever there's a dead body."

Sermon *Kingdom Come*

Singing *Hear the Turmoil of the Nations*

VT 201

Love Step Prayer

Lord, 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.

Benediction

Sermon Response

Prayer Requests, Prayer, Announcements

Greeters, Virg and Kathy Troyer
Usher, Sherm Amstutz
PA Operator, Virg Troyer
Accompanist, Marilyn Rossiter
Song Leader, Hank Rossiter
Reader, Lou Erb
Nursery Care, Kathy Troyer
Quiet Table during worship, all ages welcome
Sharing & Prayer, Megan Sohar
September Trustee, Marion Beyeler

Announcements

Please join us for a "surprise" coffee time at 9 am this Sunday, September 6th, to show our appreciation to LaVonne, Sherm and Nancy for their years of service on the Hospitality Committee and their years of custodial services for our church building!

Church directory and mailbox addition:

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Thank you for updating your church directory information. Feel free to email the photo you want to be included in the directory. We will also be available to take a photo for you here at church over the next several Sundays. Email address: omcjan@gmail.com

Monday Meals. We served 204 meals on Monday and are off this week for Labor Day.

Please stop by the table at the back of the sanctuary to sign up to be Sunday greeters and/or nursery volunteers.

Men's Breakfast is this coming Thursday, September 10th. Come prepared to talk about Mark 10: 13-16. Could even bring your Bible!

Peace Sunday – Guest Speaker, Alicia Joseph, September 13th followed by Carry-In Meal in fellowship hall.

Offering Report for August 30, 2026

Ministry Spending Plan: \$1,875.00

Weekly Amount Needed for MSP: \$3,550.00

Monday Meals: \$100.00

Dollar Project – Camp Luz: \$132.00

Schedule-At-A-Glance September 6 – 13, 2026

Sunday, September 6

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

“Surprise” Coffee Time in appreciation of Nancy, Sherm & Lavonne

Sunday School, **9:30 am**

Worship, **10:30 am**

Thursday, September 10

Men’s Breakfast, 8 am

Sunday, September 13 **Peace Sunday**

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

Sunday School, **9:30 am**

Worship, **10:30 am**

Guest Speaker, Alicia Joseph

Carry-In Meal, 12 noon

Upcoming Events for OMC:

- **Supper and Conversation** – Sept. 16, 6-8pm - membership, pt. 2
- **Plays and Pastas** – *Josiah, the Boy King*, starring Emmett Andreason, September 20, during worship.
- **Game Night** – November 20 at church
- **Christmas Play** – December 20, during worship

September Birthdays and Anniversaries

5	Jaydon Nissley	26	Roland Kauffman
	Josiah Bixler	29	Bret/Amber
8	Sue Steiner		Andreasen
9	Amos Bixler	30	Megan Sohar
19	John/Barb Shilling		

Confession of Faith in a Mennonite Perspective (1995)

Article 24 – The Reign of God

We place our hope in the reign of God and in its fulfillment in the day when Christ our ascended Lord will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead. He will gather his church, already living under the reign of God according to the pattern of God's future. We believe in God's final victory, in the end of this present age of struggle between good and evil, in the resurrection of the dead, and in the appearance of a new heaven and a new earth. There the people of God will reign with Christ in justice, righteousness, and peace.

We believe that God, who created the universe, continues to rule over it in wisdom, patience, and justice, though sinful creation has not yet recognized God's rule. Faithful Israel acclaimed God as king and looked forward to the fullness of God's kingdom.¹ We affirm that, in Jesus' ministry, death, and resurrection, the time of fulfillment has begun.² Jesus proclaimed both the nearness of God's reign and its future realization, its healing and its judgment. In his life and teaching, he showed that God's reign included the poor, outcasts, the persecuted, those who were like children, and those with faith like a mustard seed.³ For this kingdom, God has appointed Jesus Christ as king and Lord.⁴

We believe that the church is called to live now according to the model of the future reign of God. Thus, we are given a foretaste of the kingdom that God will one day establish in full. The church is to be a spiritual, social, and economic reality,⁵ demonstrating now the justice, righteousness, love, and peace of the age to come. The church does this in obedience to its Lord and in anticipation that the kingdom of this world will become the kingdom of our Lord.⁶

We believe that, just as God raised Jesus from the dead, we also will be raised from the dead.⁷ At Christ's glorious coming again for judgment, the dead will come out of their graves"—those who have done good, to the resurrection of life, and those who have done evil, to the resurrection of condemnation."⁸ The righteous will rise to eternal life with God, and the unrighteous to hell and separation from God. Thus, God will bring justice to the persecuted and will confirm the victory over sin, evil, and death itself. →

We look forward to the coming of a new heaven and a new earth, and a new Jerusalem, where the people of God will no longer hunger, thirst, or cry,⁹ but will sing praises: “To the One seated on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever! Amen!”¹⁰

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