

**A Tale of Two Kingdoms**

John 18:18 - 40



Theme verse:  
**When Jesus spoke again to the people, he said, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life."**

John 8:12 NIV

**OFFICE SCHEDULE:**

**Pastor (Glenn Nofziger II)**

- Off Tuesdays

**Secretary (Chip Coleman)**

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**LOOKING AHEAD**

Winter Wednesday - March 18

Quizzing Invitational - March 20 - 22

MCC Work Night - March 25<sup>th</sup>

Maple Syrup Festival - April 25<sup>th</sup>

(SOS) Sonnenberg Out Serving: Gordie Amstutz, 330/465-8007



**LAST SUNDAY'S RECORD - March 8, 2026**

Attendance: SS - 75; Worship - 105 YouTube: 5

**Offering**

Budget: \$ \$ 4,716.44

CCS Tuition: \$ 100.00

Maple Syrup & Sausage: \$ 63.00

MSF Expenses: \$ 200.00

**TOTAL: \$ 5,709.44**

**Budget Expected to Feb 28: \$129,725**

**Budget Giving to Date: \$121,081**

**Budget Spending to Date: 128,085**

- **Scrip sales 03/08/2026: \$525.00; '25-'26 Sales: \$60,670.00**
- **Balance in CCS Tuition Fund: \$30,018.99** ; Payments on the 15th of each month include \$2,900 (Fair Balance Tuition) + \$1,433 (additional contribution) = \$4,333/month or \$52,000 total for the 2025-2026 academic year. *Your continued support of the CCS Tuition Fund is much appreciated!*

*\*\*If you are interested in being a part of a small group, please contact the church office.\*\**

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**PASTORAL TEAM**

Glenn Nofziger II, Pastor, cell 419/ 572 - 0706

Jeremy Patterson, Leader

Lisa Amstutz, Secretary, Barb Ressler, Mutual Caring Fund

Michelle Steffen, Visitation



**SONNENBERG**  
MENNONITE CHURCH

March 15, 2026

Volume LXXIII, No. 11

Please place your regular offering in the container provided inside the

**WHO IS KING?**

Sanctuary as you arrive for the worship service; bulletins are also available to pick-up on the table outside each week.

**Gather**

Prelude

♪ *Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence* WB 463

Call to Worship

♪ *You Are Salt For The Earth* WB 226

♪ *For His Glory And Our Good* projected

**Listen**

Children's Story

Confession Poem

Pilot's Story

Scripture: John 18:18 - 40

Message: *A Tale of Two Kingdoms*

♪ *Jesus Be The Center* SS 31

**Share**

Announcements/Sharing

Prayer

**Send**

♪ *Nothing Is Lost On The Breath Of God* SS 121

Blessing

Message: Sarah Short

Worship: Erin Nofziger

Music: Praise Team

PT Greeter: Lisa Amstutz

Visual: Donna Johnston

Coffee Cleanup: Ezra & Kate

Drama: Dave & Ethan Ross, Jacob N

Multimedia: Steve & Phil

Sound: Jude Patterson

Prelude: Kathy & Rachael Troyer

Coffee Bar: Ed & Joyce Taylor

Usher: Mike Lehman

Greeter: Jim & Donna Johnston

Children's Story: Brandon King

The oil lamp at the front of the church is a Peace lamp.  
As followers of Jesus we embrace Christ's way of Peace.

**Today's Activities:**

**8:30 AM Prayer** - Young Adult Sunday School room  
**9:00 AM Fellowship & Coffee**  
**9:30 AM Sunday School**  
**10:20 AM Prelude**  
**10:30 AM Worship**  
**11:45 AM Scrip Sales** in the foyer following worship

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**THE CHURCH THIS WEEK**

**Monday**

7:00 p.m. CLT

**Wednesday**

11:30 a.m. **Women's Fellowship Meal**  
5:45 p.m. **Winter Wednesday meal & event**

**Next Sunday**

**8:30 AM Prayer** - Young Adult Sunday School room  
**9:00 AM Fellowship & Coffee**  
**9:30 AM Sunday School** -  
**10:20 AM Prelude**  
**10:30 AM Worship**  
*John 19:1 - 16*  
Jesus Condemned

Message: Glenn Nofziger II  
Worship: Barb Ressler  
Music: Jess King  
PT Greeter: Michelle Steffen  
Visual: Donna Johnston  
Coffee Cleanup: Lucas & Zach M.  
Children's Story: Brandon King

Multimedia: Ethan & Mattea  
Sound: Brandon King  
Prelude: Keith Sommerfeld  
Coffee Bar: Dave & Juanita Ross  
Usher: Dan Gault  
Greeter: Jim & Donna Johnston  
Drama: ?

**OUR CHURCH FAMILY**

**IN OUR PRAYERS:**

**REMEMBER:** *Rich Horst: was admitted last week with fever and an infection; Blaine Amstutz: 3 months into new treatment plan. 1 Chemo pill daily, 1 shot every 4 weeks. There are side effects and loss of sleep so a lot of tough days; praising God for the good days!; Kerrilyn Neuenschwander: she continues physical therapy to regain strength and endurance, hoping to return to regular activities by mid-May. Ask God to give her joy and help her be a supportive teammate during this season; Marjean Lehman: in room 223 at Shady Lawn, feeling good but confined to her chair; Mabel Gable: a praise that healing for the wound on her leg is happening; Marilyn Shetler: is having complications following cataract surgery; Vi Smith: as she mourns the loss of Fred; Edna Ressler: as she continues to recover from her appendectomy that went well*

**THOSE IN MISSION:** *José/Alfonsina Oyanguren family, Argentine Chaco; Austin & Griselda Zuercher, Honduras*

**WEEKLY PRAYER EMPHASIS:** *Pray for our fractured world, full of anger, violence and disagreements, sadly even within the church, challenge our imaginations Lord to live into the Kingdom you desire for us.*

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**VENTURE CLUB FLOWER SALES:** It's time to think about ordering spring flowers from Venture clubs! Flower order forms are in mailboxes today and should be returned along with payment to the box at the welcome center by Friday, April 10. Thanks for supporting Venture Club!

**CHURCH SECRETARY POSITION:** Chip announced at the last CLT meeting that he needs to step down from the church secretary role. Sonnenberg is asking interested candidates to contact Trent Metcalf, CLT chair, for details.

**UPDATED CONTACT INFORMATION:** Vi Smith has a new phone number which is 234-425-8069 and she lives at Shady Lawn in Assisted Living, Room 205. Continue to use discernment in how and when to support Vi as she grieves the loss of Fred and adjusts to life at Shady Lawn. A memorial service is planned for Saturday, March 21st with calling hours starting at 10 am, followed by a brief service at 11 am, at Auble Funeral Home, 512 E. Oak St., Orrville, for friends and family to gather and share in a celebration of life.

**THANK YOU:** Thank you for your prayers, meals you brought, cards, visits, and encouraging words during my recovery from my surgery. Most of all I thank God for his healing touch and being my constant companion during those difficult weeks following surgery. You are a loving congregation and I love you all.  
- Edna Ressler

**WINTER WEDNESDAYS:** Join us on Wednesday, March 18 for the last Winter Wednesday. The main dish will be pizza as we celebrate the 50th anniversary of the annual running of the Sonnenberg Pinewood Derby. For those who sign up to bring salads and desserts please bring the food to the church by 5:30. Venture Club is requesting people bring in old cars to show as part of the festivities.

**MCC WORK NIGHT:** Plan to join in the church work night at the new MCC Resource Center Wednesday, March 25th. There will be two shifts with the first shift from 4:30-6:00. Then there will be a pizza meal from 6:00-6:30, and the second shift will run from 6:30-8:00. Sign ups are in the foyer. We will be repacking school kits and knotting comforters.

**SUMMER CAMP:** Sonnenberg children in grades K-8 who are planning to attend Camp Luz this summer, please register by April 15 to get the early bird price. Children's Ministry will again cover the cost of attending a week of summer camp. O&S will also cover the cost for a friend to attend Camp Luz the same week.

**MCC CONNECTIONS:** Thrift Shop in Kidron is having an Open House for people interested in volunteering. Please meet in the Furniture Room of the store from 3:00 - 4:30 on Tuesday afternoon March 17. We will begin with a tour, then a time for questions and learning about the work of Mennonite Central Committee. Current volunteer needs will also be part of the discussion.

**LIGHTHOUSE MINISTRIES:** Please join us on Thursday, April 23 at 6:30pm at the Hartville Kitchen for our Annual Fundraising Banquet. Consider arriving a little early or staying a bit afterward, as our student-run businesses will be open both before and after the program! See Ken or Marilyn for details about sponsoring a table.