

8:30 - 9:15—Informal Fellowship  
9:30 AM—Sunday School  
10:30 AM—Corporate Worship



November 4, 2018

***Disciples of Jesus, Revealing His Kingdom through  
Love, Spiritual Growth, and Service Together***

**GATHERING**

Prelude  
Announcements  
Opening Song STJ #32 *If You Believe and I Believe*  
Welcome  
Call to Worship/Prayer

**PRAISING**

Songs of Praise *The River is Here*  
HWB #573 *What a Friend we have in Jesus*  
Offering – General Fund

**HEARING GOD'S WORD**

Scripture Reading 1 Corinthians 9:24-27; 1 Corinthians 4:20-21;  
Romans 8:22-27; John 1:14  
Message ***Revelation through Experience***

**RESPONDING**

Song of Response STJ #106 *Just a Closer Walk with Thee*  
Congregational Sharing/Prayer

**SENDING**

Sending Song HWB #575 *Precious Lord, Take My Hand*  
Benediction/Blessing  
Postlude

<b>Message:</b>	Verle Brubaker	<b>Nursery:</b>	Adam & Kim Weaver
<b>Worship Leader:</b>	Phil Stauffer	<b>Greeters:</b>	Larry & Ruth Hills (Main Door) Margaret Miller (Education Door)
<b>Song Leader:</b>	Ruth Yoder		
<b>Offertory:</b>	Renee Koshmider		

HWB-Hymnal Worship Book (blue) / TMH-The Mennonite Hymnal (red)  
STJ-Sing the Journey (green) / STS-Sing the Story (purple)  
Songs used with permission: CCLI 465314

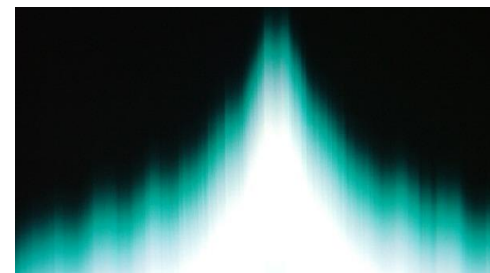
**Large print bulletins are available in the church lobby.**

**Revelation through Experience**

**Scriptures:** 1 Corinthians 9:24-27; 1 Corinthians 4:20-21;  
Romans 8:22-27; John 1:14

**Summary:**

The third style of revelation is the Spirit, represented by the color blue. It can be characterized by an emphasis on experience of God moving through His Spirit. The scriptures read this week represent the Ascetic, Enthusiastic, Mystical, Sacramental. We will focus more on the first 3.



**Questions for Reflection and Discussion:**

1. When have you felt the presence of God's Spirit?
2. How were your feelings expressed?
3. What expressions of God's presence have you sensed in a supernatural way?

**THE 3 COLORS OF YOUR SPIRITUALITY**

By Christian Schwarz

Why are so many people leaving their churches?  
Too often, people do not feel like they are spiritually connecting with God. They look to their church for help, but end up feeling like it is nothing but a series of empty exercises with little or no meaning.

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The author argues that too many churches do not encourage congregants to discover their spiritual style, that is, how do they best relate to God. To explore this topic further, Schwarz sought out mentors from various spiritual traditions to learn how different people seek and experience God. As a result, he has identified nine different styles:

### **GREEN**

1. Sensory -- Enjoying the works of God
2. Rational -- Understanding the nature of God
3. **Doctrinal -- Thinking correctly about God**

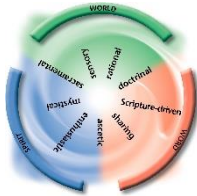
### **RED**

4. Scripture-driven -- Applying the Word of God
5. Sharing -- Passing on the grace of God

6. **Ascetic -- Developing discipline for God**

### **BLUE**

7. Enthusiastic -- Celebrating the power of God
8. Mystical -- Resting in the presence of God
9. **Sacramental -- Expressing the incarnation of God**



**This book includes a self-test to help participants identify their spiritual style.**

The first step to increasing one's spiritual passion is simply identifying your style and cultivating it. Step 2 is to venture outside of your comfort zone and try to experience God in one of the other styles. Some will be closely related to your native style (and therefore easy to experience), others will be out of your comfort zone. While you may never be totally comfortable in the opposite spiritual style, you may find your appreciation growing for those who do find God in that style.

To start your exploration of your own spiritual style, go to <https://ncd-canada.com/spiritualstylestest>

**If you would like a copy of this book,  
there are several books available on the table in the foyer  
on a first come-first served basis.**

**This morning, blood pressure checks will be taken in the Library after the service.** Blood pressure checks are offered on an ongoing basis the first Sunday of each month by Margaret Miller.

### **Fall Midweek Book Study – Wednesday @ 6:30 p.m.**

The Midweek book study on *Renovation of the Heart – Putting on the Character of Christ* is this Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. If you would like to read ahead before the class, read Chapters 23 & 24.

**The second Thursday of each month is Maple Grove's turn to supply volunteers at the Hartville Thrift Shoppe.** Men and women are needed this Thursday at 6:00 p.m.

### **Youth Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser – Next Sunday from 8:30-10:00 a.m.**

The Youth Group is having a pancake breakfast fundraiser on Sunday, November 11<sup>th</sup>, from 8:30-10:00 a.m. The monies raised will go toward the 2019 youth trip. Thanks for your support of the youth!

### **Kids Club (K-4<sup>th</sup> Grade) Activity – Next Sunday from 5:00-7:00 p.m.**

The Kids Club will meet at the church on Sunday, November 11, for a Mystery Supper. Kids can be dropped off at 5:00 p.m. and picked up at 7:00 p.m. If you have any questions please see the Kids Club Leaders Mike and Ruth Yoder.

### **Collection for Thanksgiving meals for Lake Township FISH – Nov. 11 & 18**

Maple Grove is collecting boxed stuffing mix for the Thanksgiving community food drive and \$10.00 gift cards to local grocery stores. Our goal is to collect 200 boxes of stuffing. The collection Sundays are November 11 & 18. If you have any questions, please see Harold Beachy-Ministry of Outreach.

**Ministry of Worship is looking for greeters for 2019.** Each Sunday morning, Maple Grove has greeters at the main doors in the foyer and at the door on the education wing side to greet the congregation and hand out welcome packets to new attendees. Individuals, couples and families are all welcome to sign up! If you are willing to be a greeter, please write your name down on the sign-up sheet posted on the back bulletin board. Any questions please see Julie Yoder.

**Acme Community Cash Back Program:** Lake Township FISH can benefit from your shopping at Acme. Acme will give a percentage of the cash back amount printed on the bottom of each receipt to FISH. The program will run through December 18, 2018. A collection box is available under the mailboxes for your receipts. Thanks for your support of this project!

**Bread Ministries provides Maple Grove with free bread each week.** Please help yourself to the bread in the Fellowship Hall.

**Literature Table & Back Bulletin Board Updates (in church lobby)**

- Sign-up sheet to be a Greeter in 2019
- Thank you card from Barb Volk
- *Our Daily Bread* devotionals for Dec-Jan-Feb – please help yourself!

<b>Offering Last Sunday, October 28<sup>th</sup>:</b>		<b>Attendance Last Sunday:</b> 103
General Fund	\$ 3,125.29	
Education Fund	8,650.00	
Total Offering	<u>\$ 11,775.29</u>	

**OTHER NEWS & EVENTS**

**Music/Choral Teacher (Part-Time) Job Opening @ LCCS**

Lake Center Christian School is accepting applications for a part-time Junior High and High School Music/Choral Teacher. Schedule is two periods per day PLUS concerts throughout the year (approximately 3-5 evening concerts per year). Qualifications: Minimum of a Bachelor degree and experience teaching music and directing choral groups. Ohio state teaching license preferred. ACSI certification required within the first two years of employment. Materials Required for Submission: Resume with letter of introduction and a Certified Application. Posting will remain open until filled. Email contact person: Cheryl Sommers at [csommers@lakecenterchristian.org](mailto:csommers@lakecenterchristian.org).

**Everence is sponsoring a Business Families and Community Leaders workshop on Tuesday, Nov. 6, from 7 to 8:45 p.m. at the Gardens at Homestead in Mount Hope.**

“Thriving in a fast-changing world” is the theme of this workshop, which will feature speakers Brian Miller, president of ProVia in Sugarcreek; Leon Wengerd, CFO of Pioneer Equipment in Dalton; and Dan Owolabi, campus pastor at NewPoint Community Church in Wooster. RSVP by calling 330-857-9988 or emailing [kelly.troyer@everence.com](mailto:kelly.troyer@everence.com). See the flyer on the bulletin board in the church lobby for more information.

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**SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES - CHILDREN**

	Location	Teacher(s)	Curriculum from MennoMedia
PreK-Kindergarten	Rm 1	Becky Shrock & Stephanie Kress	Shine-Early Childhood
Grades 1 & 2	Rm 2	Betty Miller & Amy Shelly	Shine-Primary
Grades 3 & 4	Rm 3-4	Jill Liechty	Shine-Middler
Jr. Youth (Gr. 5-8)	Rm 5-6	Matthew Manchester & Gary Sommers	Shine-Jr. Youth
Youth (Gr. 9-12)	Basement	Michael Yoder & Kami Sommers	MC USA Bible Studies

**SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES - ADULTS**

Women's Class - Sewing Room	Mixed Post-High/20's-40's Class - Basement
Sr. Women's - Room 9	Mixed Intergenerational - Education Side
Men's Class - Room 10	

# REFRIGERATOR NEWS

## CHURCH OFFICE COVERAGE

Cindy Fleming, church secretary, will be out of the office starting November 5<sup>th</sup> for approximately 6 weeks from shoulder surgery. Jen Geiser will be taking care of the bulletins in November and Kami Sommers the beginning of December – please contact them by Wednesday each week with items for the bulletin. Jen: [geiser266@gmail.com](mailto:geiser266@gmail.com) or 330-575-4640, Kami: [ksommers915@gmail.com](mailto:ksommers915@gmail.com) or 330-904-7614. If you're not able to get bulletin announcements in by Wednesdays, please give your announcement to the worship leader prior to the service on Sunday mornings. Kami will be providing office coverage on Wednesday mornings during Cindy's absence.

## THIS WEEK AT MAPLE GROVE

- Sunday** - Blood Pressure Checks taken after Church in the Library  
**Monday** - 9:15 a.m. Ministry of Worship Meeting  
- 6:00 p.m. Ministry of Administration Meeting  
**Tuesday** - 8:00 a.m. Sr. Men's Bible Study – John 6:26-48  
**Wednesday** - Ladies' Sewing & Comforter Knotting  
- 6:30 p.m. Midweek Book Study  
**Thursday** - 6:00 p.m. Maple Grove's turn to supply volunteers @ Thrift Shoppe

## LOOKING AHEAD

- November 11 - Youth Fundraiser – Pancake Breakfast from 8:30-10:00 a.m.  
- Kids Club (K-4<sup>th</sup> Grade) Mystery Supper – 5-7:00 p.m. @ the Church  
Nov. 11 & 18 - Collection for Lake Township FISH for Thanksgiving Food Drive  
November 14 - Fall Midweek Book Study – 6:30 p.m. (Last Night!)  
November 22 - Thanksgiving Day (The church office will be closed Thursday and Friday for Thanksgiving.)  
November 26 - Ministry of Congregational Care Meeting – 4:00 p.m.  
December 1 - Family Ministry's Cookie Exchange & Fellowship Time  
- 6:00-8:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall  
December 24 - Christmas Eve Service – 6:00 p.m.

## YOUTH NEWS

- Sun.-Nov. 11 - Youth Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser – 8:30-10:00 a.m.  
Sun.-Nov. 18 - Hartville Hardware Social – 3:00-5:30 p.m.  
• Drop off and pick up at John Deere Entrance  
Fri.-Nov. 30 - Walnut Creek "Journey to Bethlehem" – meet @ church 4:00 p.m.  
• Bring money for fast food on the way.  
• Will contact parents on way home about pick-up time

## FOR YOUR PRAYERS AND PRAISE

### PRAY FOR OUR CHURCH:

- Pray for the Sunday School teachers of our children.
- Pray for our children as they learn about God's word.
- Pray for the relationships in our families and marriages.
- Pray for Dariush, Emily, Cyrus & Parsa. Pray for their ministry.
- Pray for Pastor Verle as he walks with Maple Grove through this time of transition.
- Pray for the Pastor Search Committee: Paul Bontrager, Jen Geiser, Jill Liechty, Perry Miller and Scott Sommers.



### PRAY FOR THE BROADER CHURCH:

- Pray for peace in the world, in our country, and in our community.
- Pray for those affected by natural disasters all around the world.

### ONGOING PRAYER CONCERNS:

- Eileen Yoder, Rachel Weaver, Amanda Sommers, Eugene & Ruth Miller, Barb Volk and her brother Dan, Susie Sommers, Nancy Beachy's sister Alta, Elden Workinger (friend of Harold Beachy's), Leslie, Korey, Emma & Ayden Miller, and Ryder Brown (grandson of Julie Yoder's friends).

### PRAYER REQUESTS:

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*Kathy Cartner – November 4*  
*Dorothy Shrock – November 4*  
*Steve Miller – November 5*



*Ruth Hills – November 7*  
*Luke Sommers – November 9*

### The Nursery is available for 0-3 years old during the worship service.



Nursery

**Nursery Attendants Today:**

Adam & Kim Weaver

**Nursery Attendants Next Sunday:** Harold & Nancy Beachy

**A children's activity bin is available at the back of the sanctuary for the children to use during the service.** Please return the items to the bins after the service each week.