

# Benton Mennonite Church

November 18 2018

Worship leader: Patty Nofziger    Speaker: Malinda Berry  
Song leader: Grant Martin        Childcare: Rich Meyer and Janet Byler

## Church in the round

9:25            Silence and reflection

HWB 4            *Unto thy temple, Lord, we come*  
Peace prayer  
Call to worship

SS                *Come praise the Creator*  
HWB 226        *You are salt for the earth*

*The Giving Tree*    Shel Silverstein

Offering

HWB 314        *The word of God is solid ground*  
SS                *Every eye is different*  
HWB 310        *How good a thing it is*

Scripture        Isaiah 40: 21-23  
*Children dismissed to childcare and activity table*  
Message        *Let the Circle Be Unbroken*  
Song of response

*Voices Together*    Adam Tice

Thanksgiving offering  
HWB 98        *Sing to the Lord of harvest*

Congregational sharing and prayer  
Introductions and announcements  
Sending song

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HWB = Hymnal Worship Book (Blue)    SJ = Sing the Journey (Green)  
BF = Blue Folder                    PP = PowerPoint                    SS = Song Sheet

## Today

- ✝ We welcome guest speaker Malinda Berry, an Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary professor also trained in Circle Way Process.
- ✝ Our Thanksgiving offering will be divided between replacing the deck at Amigo Centre and the new Mennonite hymnal project, Voices Together. We welcome Adam Tice today to introduce the hymnal. If you were not prepared to give today, we will continue to receive offerings designated “Thanksgiving” for two weeks.
- ✝ **11am, Second hour**  
*Preschool through grade 8 meet for opening in old (east) foyer.*
  - ❖ Preschool, Rich Meyer, Room 021, Center basement
  - ❖ Shalom: God’s Peace, school-age children, Brenda Meyer, Room 012, South basement
  - ❖ Circle Way training with Malinda Berry, sanctuary
- ✝ **12noon, Fellowship meal.** Everyone welcome.
- ✝ **Fairfield Community Thanksgiving Service**, 6pm, Maple Grove Church of the Brethren, New Paris. Fairfield choir will sing and the offering will be shared between Kids for Christ, a Bible teaching option for Fairfield students, and the Fairfield Food Pantry.

*Worship activity backpacks are available for preschool age children in the back of the sanctuary. Anyone is invited to come back to the activity table as the sermon begins for the rest of the service.*

*Large print hymnals and hearing devices are available. See the sound person in the back for assistance.*

## This Week

- ✝ *Monday, 7:30pm*, Board meeting at Buschert’s.
- ✝ *Wednesday, 6pm*, Benton at Greencroft, Evergreen activity room.

## Next Sunday

- ✝ Brenda will preach on “Jesus, our fearless leader” connected with John 18:33-37, Revelation 1:4b-8, Daniel 7:9-10,13-14, and Psalm 93.
- ✝ 12noon, Fellowship meal, hosted by A-Z.

## Upcoming Event

✠ Sunday December 2, Congregational meeting.

## Worship team for next Sunday

Worship leader: Casandra Byler      Song leader: Lyn Buschert  
Children's focus: John Buschert      Sound: Grant Martin  
Childcare: Dee Swartz and Barb Meyer-Reed  
Greeters: LaJane and Orv Yoder

### Attendance for Sunday November 11 2018

Total: 77; Visitors: 23

### Staff hours for this week

Brenda: Wednesday, Friday

Doug: None

Steve: Friday

This Monday to Wednesday Doug is leading his second pastoral retreat on "Who cares about climate change?" this time at Hidden Acres Mennonite Camp, New Hamburg, Ontario. Afterwards he will remain in Ontario for vacation.

Announcements and other bulletin information can be put in Steven Johns's mailbox, sent to [office@bentonchurch.org](mailto:office@bentonchurch.org), or left in the bottom left drawer of the desk in the secretary's office. All information is due by 7 pm, Thursday.

Please send all audio visual materials to [soundguys@bentonchurch.org](mailto:soundguys@bentonchurch.org) by 8 am, Sunday.

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*We will love as Jesus loves,  
pursuing God's peace  
at the river and at the table.*

