



April 28, 2024

9:30AM Sunday School

10:30AM Worship Service

Greeters: Loretta Wagler & Janet Hostetler

Prelude		Dennis Graber
Worship	<i>Walk By Faith</i>	Dennis, Gabby, Nesya, Jadon
	<i>Refiner's Fire</i>	
	<i>Rain Down, STJ 49</i>	
Offertory – General Fund	<i>Wake Up Jesus</i> (by The Porter's Gate)	
Message	Bad News/Good News: Part 1	Pastor Walter Campbell
Scripture	Ephesians 2:1-3	
Response	<i>Act Justly, Love Mercy, Walk Humbly</i>	Dennis, Gabby, Nesya, Jadon
Sharing Time & Prayer		Pastor Walter Campbell
Benediction		

THIS WEEK'S EVENTS

TODAY, Affirmation Ballots for Pastor Search & Gifts Discernment Teams are due.
Place your completed ballot in the box in the foyer.

TODAY, 12:00pm Troyer Life Group in the Gathering Place

TODAY, 12:00pm Miller-Schumacher Life Group will be meeting for lunch after church on Sunday, April 28 at Tony & Tina's house (5711 Kilbury Huber Rd). Please bring a dish to share.

Tuesday, 9:30am Quilting & Crafting

NEXT SUNDAY

Pastor Walter Campbell will bring a message with scripture from Ephesians 2:4-10.

There will be Children's Church and the offering will be for the General Fund.

Sharon Mennonite Church Members will vote on affiliation with Mennonite Church USA at the beginning of the worship service, ballots will be counted with the result to follow at the end of the service. There will need to be a 2/3 majority affirmation to carry the vote. This is a very serious and important time in the life of Sharon Church. Please approach this with much prayer, and fasting if you are led, before voicing your vote. We trust that all members will be present.

Greeters: Gwen Troyer & Nancy Campbell

1:30pm – Edgewater Service

UPCOMING EVENTS

May 6, 6:00pm

Book Club

May 7, 9:30am

Quilting & Crafting

May 8, 6:00pm

Bible Study

May 8, 6:00pm

Spiritual Leadership Team Meeting

May 11, 8:00am

Women's Prayer Breakfast

May 14, 9:30am

Quilting & Crafting

May 15, 6:00pm

Bible Study

May 16, 7:00pm

Finance & Facility Council Meeting

May 18, 9:00am

Sewing Class

May 19, 12:00pm

Troyer Life Group in the Gathering Place; Campbell Life Group in the Fellowship Hall

May 21, 9:30am

Quilting & Crafting

May 22, 6:00pm

Bible Study

May 23, 6:00pm

Evening Quilting

May 25, 7:00am

Men's Prayer Breakfast

May 28, 9:30am

Quilting & Crafting

Proposed Constitution Change

Historically, the originating source of many recommended proposed constitutional changes and congregational votes has been brought forth by the Sharon Leadership Team. During the last special members meeting, a motion was brought forth (and passed by majority vote) by the present members for the SLT to bring forth an affiliation vote after the closure of ACA hosted at SMC. The following proposal is under no circumstances a reflection of the thoughts and beliefs of the elders, either for or against. By prayerfully bringing this motion forward for congregational consideration, the SLT is fulfilling the commitment and obligation to the wishes of the congregation.

Preamble

Presently, Sharon Mennonite Church is affiliated with Mennonite Church USA and Ohio Mennonite Conference.

Proposed Constitutional Change:

Whereas Mennonite Church USA has altered their interpretation of the Confession of Faith in a Mennonite Perspective 1995, Sharon Mennonite Church, following its constitution's guidelines for a 2/3 majority affirmative vote*, hereby decides to:

Retain affiliation with Ohio Mennonite Conference and dissolve affiliation with Mennonite Church USA, including the cessation of financial contributions to Mennonite Church USA through Ohio Mennonite Conference.

Yes, I agree to disassociate with Mennonite Church USA.

No, I prefer to remain associated with Mennonite Church USA.

*Sharon Mennonite Church Constitution - Article IX. Members' Meetings

Section 3. Quorum

A quorum for annual and special Members' Meetings shall be members present.

Section 4. Amendments

This Constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of those present at a Members' Meeting, provided that the said amendment had been previously approved by the Finance and Facilities Council and public announcement of the same had been made at least two Sundays prior to the time of meeting. Voting on all amendments shall be by ballot.

The Backpage is a place for those of Sharon to share their reflections, thoughts, poetry, or other items pertaining to the theme of the message. Contributions are welcomed! If interested, contact one of the pastors or the church office.