

Week of February 17, 2019

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## Sunday, February 17

**9:00 a.m. Worship**  
Lead Pastor Joe Hackman will preach on Luke 6:17-26; *The Blessing in the Woes*

**10:15 a.m. The Second Hour for all ages.**

Second hour class **One Meal, Many Servings: A History of the Lord's Supper** with Dr. Derek Cooper will meet in the Sanctuary. **Connections Class, Gospel Herald, Seekers and Reaching Out class** are planning to attend this class. Other interested adults are invited to attend.

## For Your Prayers List

- **Donald Alderfer**, The Community at Rockhill
- **Glenn & Elizabeth Frederick**, Foulkeways
- **Derek & Amy Godshall**, Mennonite Central Committee, Burkina Faso

## Sunday, February 17

Offering  
\$18,428  
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\$1,895  
Kiosk Offering

## One Meal, Many Servings: A History of the Lord's Supper

**Class:** This four-week class explores the history of the Lord's Supper through the lens of the major Christian traditions. It will not just be a theoretical exploration, however. In the final week, we will apply what we learned during the first three weeks by discussing and then formulating a "working draft" of what Salford recognizes as the central values, tenets, and practices of the Lord's Supper. It will be an interactive study.

**Instructor:** The class will be facilitated by Dr. Derek Cooper, Associate Professor of World Christian History at Missio Seminary. Derek is a regularly invited guest speaker at Salford, who led a six-week course on world religions last year. He is the author of ten books, including: *Sinners and Saints: The Real Story of Early Christianity* and *Twenty Questions That Shaped World Christian History*.

**Overview:** The following topics and questions will be discussed during the class.

### Feb. 3: Life Immortality

What is the Lord's Supper? How did the earliest Christians understand it? How did their view of the Lord's Supper shape church architecture and church practice?

### Feb. 10: Philosophy Galore

How did the creation of the university affect how Christians understood the Lord's Supper? What changes took place to the bread and the wine? To what degree can theological mysteries be solved?

### Feb. 17: Pandora's Box

How did the emergence of Protestantism change how the Lord's Supper was understood and practiced? Would the new Protestant movement unify over the Lord's Supper or divide?

### Feb. 24: Anabaptist Way

Did the development of the Anabaptist tradition alter the practice of the Lord's Supper? Was it more appreciative or critical of the Great Tradition? Does Anabaptism offer one common view of this central Christian doctrine and practice?

## This Week at Salford

### Tuesday, February 19

7:00 p.m. Child Care Ministry Team Meeting (Friendship Room)

### Wednesday, February 20

5:30 p.m. Ministry Team Meal and Conversation (Fellowship Hall)

7:00 p.m. Gifts Discernment Ministry Team Meeting (Library)

7:30 p.m. Adult Choir Practice (Sanctuary)

### Sunday, February 24

9:00 a.m. Worship

Preaching: Maria Hosler Byler

10:15 a.m. Second hour for All Ages

## Our Church Family

\$438

**Total Offering**  
**\$20,761**

**Future Salford Events**

- March 23 - MYF Youth Auction & Fellowship Meal
- April 6 - Enneagram Training Sessions with Joe & Angela Hackman
- April 28 – Dock Mennonite Academy Touring Choir Visit

If you have information or prayer requests for our newsletter, please submit this to the church office by 4:00 p.m. Wednesday afternoon.

If you would like to receive this newsletter by email, please submit your email address to [alderferb@salfordmc.org](mailto:alderferb@salfordmc.org)

**Prayer Concerns**

- For thanksgiving to God for successful reconstructive surgery for **Saralyn Alderfer** and prayers for additional reconstructive surgery in the coming months
- For successful surgery and quick recovery for **Alyssa Landis** who will be having surgery on Thursday, February 14 to repair cartilage in her knee
- For **Jerry & Beth Yoder** as they continue to recover from Hepatitis A (Jerry was hospitalized, but Beth was not)
- For **Michelle McCoach** for her body to accept donor cells in her cancer recovery
- For **Ron Souder** who will be undergoing surgery at the Cleveland Clinic on February 21 to repair his mitral valve
- For the **Justice & Peace ministries** (Justice & Peace, Sewing Circle, Garden, MCC, MDS, MMN and Thrift Shop Volunteer Coordinators) and the **Church Business ministries** (Church Board, Conference Delegates, Finance, Trustees)
- **Joy Sutter** requests prayer for wise discernment during the **Constituency Leaders Council** (CLC) meetings taking place in Hesston, KS on February 28 – March 2.
- For **Blooming Glen Mennonite Church** and **Pastor Wayne Speigle** as they face leadership transition

**Service & Mission**

**Donation of the Month for February – Hygiene Kits for MCC**

New items only:

- 1 toothbrush (adult size; leave in wrapper)
- 1 bar soap (4-5 oz. in wrapper)
- 1 fingernail clipper
- 1 hand towel (larger than fingertip, dark color)
- 1 wide-toothed comb (6–8 in)

Cloth bags are available by the donation table near the Infant/Toddler nursery. Place kits in the baskets by the Infant/Toddler Nursery. **Please help us reach our goal of 200 health kits collected by February 28<sup>th</sup>.**

**Update: Two matches have been offered for the My Coins Count Collection, so everyone donation will increase two times!** Please bring your loose change for the Mennonite Central Committee **My Coins Count project!** The My Coins Count jug has been placed in the main foyer for the 2019 coin collection. Coins will be collected until March 3, 2019.

In 2019, the proceeds from My Coins Count will be designated towards MCC's peace initiatives around the world. MCC believes God calls us to a life of peace and nonviolence. You can join MCC in partnering with peacemakers around the world. A gift of peace gives people the skills they need to work for peace even in places torn by conflict. For more information, see MCC's website at <https://mcc.org/learn/what/peace>

**Michael J. (MJ) Sharp**, a 2005 graduate of EMU, dedicated his life to the pursuit of peace and justice in the world, especially in the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) - a place he called "paradise, the most beautiful place on earth." In 2017, he and his colleague, Zaida Catalan, were ambushed and murdered on a peacekeeping mission with the United Nations in the DRC.

On the second anniversary of his death, 11 hikers (including MJ's father, John) plan to spread his ashes at the top of Kilimanjaro. They climb not only to fulfill MJ's dream of reaching the top, but to bring awareness of the need for peaceable intervention in the DRC, and to raise funds for **the Michael J. Sharp Peace &**

**Justice Endowed Scholarship** at EMU's Center for Justice & Peacebuilding. This scholarship is designed for citizens of the DRC to study the conflict transformation, restorative justice, and peacebuilding skills needed bring lasting change to the Congo, thus carrying on MJ's legacy long after his death.

You can help! A gift of any size can be sent to EMU at 1200 Park Rd, Harrisonburg, VA 22802 or online at [emu.edu/dream-hike](http://emu.edu/dream-hike). Pledge forms are also available. If you have questions on how best to give a gift, please don't hesitate to call 800-368-3383 and ask for Braydon Hoover.

### **News & Notes**

**We are planning for another time of table fellowship this spring and hope everyone will participate.** Hosts have now been determined for spring table fellowship groups. We are suggesting tables fellowship groups will meet **three times** this spring, once during Lent, once during Holy week, and once during the Easter season; Easter to Pentecost. Come to the table for fellowship with your church family!

Click on this link <https://goo.gl/forms/fMh6lacDBSPiAOht2> to sign-up for table fellowship or use the insert in the bulletin this Sunday.

The **Salford Foundation Fund** approved a grant of \$1000 to the **Philadelphia Oxford Circle Community Center** to fund tutoring for children in their after school program. The grant is being used to pay high school students to tutor elementary age children. Oxford Circle sent their thanks and confirmation of the value of the fund that Salford has provided for tutoring.

"Small group tutoring has been incredibly helpful in providing academically high-need students with the supports that they need to get back up to grade level. Thanks to the tutoring grant, we have been able to provide small group tutoring for grades K-5 every week. Students are selected based on real time data through our literacy program, Lexia. Since there is a large number of students who could benefit from this type of intervention, the group selected is slightly different every week. Students are always asking if it's their turn to go with Ms. Paul for tutoring-they love the literacy games she designs for them!"

Information for the second hour elective **One Meal, Many Servings: A History of the Lord's Supper**, with Dr. Cooper has been placed online on the Salford website:

- Outline of supplemental Bible study
- Handouts for weeks 1, 2, 3, and 4 for the supplemental Bible study
- Audio recording of each class as they are available

You can access the materials under the Sunday Morning and Second Hour Classes tab: <http://www.salfordmc.org/lords-supper-supplemental-bible-study.html>

**Summer camp scholarship** information for our Mennonite affiliated camps has been placed in mailboxes for those with eligible children. A \$100 scholarship is available to families who participate. Spruce Lake and Camp Men-O-Lan also offer early bird registrations discounts for those interested. Please contact the church office if you have questions on the camp scholarship.

The **Mennonite college scholarship application** for those attending one of our five eligible Mennonite colleges has been placed in church mailboxes. Our college students are eligible for \$500 per semester from the church budget and \$1,000 per semester from Salford Foundation Funds. Please return this application to the church office by February 17<sup>th</sup>, 2019.

We are offering **valet parking service** for those who need it in January, February and March. Gene Kropf will be our valet parking person for February 17th. Look for him under the carport when you arrive if you would like your car parked for you.

**Inclement Weather:** If it would be necessary for Salford to cancel scheduled church services, we will announce any cancellation or change of service time by 7:15 a.m. on our website, by email, and on our phone message. Please contact Church Administrator Brad Alderfer at (215) 272-6724 if there are any questions on church service cancellation or change of start time. **Cancellations will no longer be announced on the radio or television.**

## Mennonite Church USA News

Read about the **work that has taken place in Ohio Mennonite Conference** around healing, a missional focus and a new sense of hopefulness at [mennoniteusa.org/newhopeohioconference](http://mennoniteusa.org/newhopeohioconference).

Pray for **Illinois Mennonite Conference** as they hold their annual business meeting at Menno Haven Camp and Retreat Center on Saturday, Feb. 23.

## Youth and Young Adult News

Seven youth will be participating in an **Exploring Baptism** group in January and February to talk about baptism and discern whether they want to be baptized. If adults are interested in baptism or membership, please contact the Pastoral team. We are working towards an adult class for the fall.

It's the season for plays and musicals!

- **Ciana Bergey** is in Sherlock Holmes: The Baker Street Irregulars at DCP Theatre March 1-10
- **Ava Miller** is in The Music Man at Dock Middle School March 1-2
- **Eli Alderfer** is backstage in The Music Man as Tech Team Leader
- **Cali Benner** is running sound in the Indian Crest musical Adventures of a Comic Book Artist Feb. 21-23

*Any youth and families can notify Pastor Maria about activities to include in the Spotlight!*

## Beyond Salford

Discover **Dock Mennonite Academy's Early Childhood & Kindergarten Open House** on Thursday, February 21, 2019 at 8:45 am. Dock integrates faith and learning at every grade level and teaches essential life skills, such as, critical thinking, problem solving, inquisitiveness, teamwork, and leadership. Dock also offers over \$1 million in financial aid annually to families. Come learn more about us! **Location:** Early Childhood to Grade 8 Campus, 420 Godshall Rd. Souderton, PA 18964. For more information, email [admissions@dock.org](mailto:admissions@dock.org). or visit [dock.org](http://dock.org).

**Eagles Wings and Finland Mennonite Church** are hosting the **Nordic Challenge** – a fun and unique indoor disc golf tournament – on February 23 at 6:00 pm. Your entry includes a super-soft putter used as your only disc for the indoor event, which will have two rounds and a meal in between. Sign-up at [www.discgolfscene.com/tournaments/Nordic\\_Challenge\\_2019](http://www.discgolfscene.com/tournaments/Nordic_Challenge_2019).

**Dock Mennonite Academy** presents **The Music Man Jr.**. A show filled with wit

and warmth, The Music Man Jr. is family entertainment at its best – a bold, brassy production that will have the whole town atwitter! Performances will be held Friday, March 1 at 7:00 pm and Saturday, March 2 at 2:30 pm and 7:00 pm at the EC-8 campus. For tickets, visit [www.dock.org](http://www.dock.org).

EDC-FMC Youth and Young Adults (high school through age 25) are invited for a day of friendly competition at our conference-wide **Volleyball Tournament** on Sunday, March 3 from 1:00 to 8:00 pm at **Camp Men-O-Lan**. Teams must be co-ed, and the cost is \$50 per team. To register, contact Beth Friesen by February 28 at [drw.beth@gmail.com](mailto:drw.beth@gmail.com) or 215-804-5838 (voice or text).

**Quakertown Christian School** will hold **Open House** for grades K-12 on Thursday, March 7 and Thursday, March 21 from 4:00 to 6:00 pm. Come and see what QCS has to offer! Their ongoing mission continues to equip students to be leaders through an exceptional education within a culture emphasizing Christ-like love, peacemaking, and service. Variable tuition is available. For more information, call 215-536-6970, Ext. 508 or email [info@quakertownchristian.org](mailto:info@quakertownchristian.org).

Shane Claiborne, Mike Martin, and friends are stopping in Lancaster on the first day of a twenty-city **Beating Guns Tour**, March 9, 6:30 to 8:00 pm at **Neffsville Mennonite Church**, 2371 Lititz Pk, Lancaster. This event will promote their new book, *Beating Guns: Hope for a people who are weary of violence*, and will feature a live transformation of a gun into a garden tool. Free tickets are available [here](#) and a free will offering will be taken to offset costs. For more info, visit [beatingguns.com](http://beatingguns.com).