

Bethel Mennonite Church

“Serving Jesus, Loving Others”

Vol. 61

April 7, 2019

No. 14

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School

10:40a.m. – Worship

We gather to worship

Announcements

Lighting the Peace Lamp

For you will go out in joy, be led home in peace.

And as you go the land itself will break out in cheers;

The mountains and the hills will erupt in song,

and the trees of the field will clap their hands. Isaiah 55:12 (VOICE)

Prelude

Welcome and Call to Worship (see insert)

Congregational singing

Psalm 126

Offering & offertory

Congregational singing

We hear God’s Word

Scripture: Isaiah 43:15-21

Message: Eyes to See the New Things of God

Song of Response

We respond to Christ’s invitation

Confession and response (see insert)

Sharing: reflections on the scripture, joys, requests, thanksgivings

Intercessory prayer

We go to love and serve

Sending song

Benediction

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Guess Who is Coming to Dinner TODAY at 5:00p.m.

Women Serving in Love. The meal is “Favorites.” Last name initials A-K bring a favorite casserole. L-Y bring a favorite salad or dessert. Elaine and Judy Conrxd are hostesses. Devotions on “Goodness” by Kyle.

Spring Work Day. Come help the trustees spruce up in and around the church the morning of April 13 starting at 8:30 a.m.

Directory update:

Miriam Lxpp’s new cell phone number:. The home phone number is still the same.

Prayer requests for the **One Call system** can be made to either Rebecca or Miriam.

HOLY WEEK services:

A **Maundy Thursday worship service** will be held in the fellowship room on April 18, 6:30 pm. It will include a light meal, communion, and foot-washing / hand-washing as we remember Jesus’ meal with his friends before his crucifixion.

Community Good Friday Service at Green Hills, 6:30 pm. People from several West Liberty area churches will contribute to this special ecumenical worship service. Rebecca Kauffmxn will offer the meditation.

OUR THANKS TO THOSE WHO SERVE

This Week – April 7

Worship leader: Ken Shxnk

Musicians: Bill Barrxtt, Ellen Steinxr, Janet Wilkxns, Carl Newcomxr

Speaker: Rebecca Kauffmxn

Greeters: Cindy Kauffmxn

Sound/media: Mark Kauffmxn

Prelude: Team

Offertory: Bill Barrxtt

Peace Lamp: Cindy Kauffmxn

Next Week – April 14, Palm Sunday

Worship leader: Barb Evxns

Musicians: Bill Barrxtt, Ellen Steinxr, Janet Wilkxns

Speaker: Rebecca Kauffmxn

Greeters: Art & Mary Newcomxr

Sound/media: Larry Evxns

Prelude: Bill Barrxtt

Offertory: Ellen Steinxr

Peace Lamp: Cindy Kauffmxn



Save the Date:

Vacation Bible School

June 10-14 9-11:45am

THIS WEEK

TUESDAY

9:00 a.m. – Women Serving in Love

3:30 – 5:00 p.m. – Homework Help

THURSDAY

3:30 – 5:00 p.m. – Homework Help

6:00 p.m. – Joint Ministry chairs and ELT meeting

7:15 p.m. – Elder Leadership Team

NEXT SUNDAY Palm Sunday

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School

10:40 a.m. – Worship. Speaker, Rebecca Kauffmxn

LAST WEEK

Sunday School 31 Worship Attendance 63

*Your generosity empowers our collective work for
God's kingdom purposes. Thanks!*

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CALL TO WORSHIP

(Based on Psalms 63 & 126)

Leader: O God, you are our God. We seek you.

**People: Our souls thirst for you
as in a dry and weary land
where there is no water.**

Leader: Restore our fortunes, Lord,
just as streams renew the desert.

**People: Those who plant in tears
will harvest with songs of joy.**

**All: O God, you satisfy our souls as
with a rich feast.
In the shadow of your wings,
we sing for joy, and you uphold us.**

CONFESSION AND RECONCILIATION

Leader: We are all invited to see the new work of God.
Let us bring ourselves to God in prayer.

**All: God of hope, give us eyes to see
the new work you are doing among us.
When we struggle to discern what lies ahead,
we will see the new work of God.**

Leader: When our circumstances appear to hold no hope
(*pause*),

we will see the new work of God.

When our souls hunger for your presence

(*pause*),

we will see the new work of God.

**All: In the morning and in the evening,
we will see the new work of our God.**

Leader: Our generous God provides for us.

PRAYER & PRAISE NOTES

- Continue prayer for recovery for Karl Smxth following his successful heart surgery.
- Pray for healing for Gary Brxgg who had surgery this week. Remember Gary and his family in this time of change.
- Gina Burokxr's niece, goes to New Jersey for her 6 month scoliosis surgery follow up visit on Monday. Kaylx is now able to take dance and swim lessons. She is enjoying life cast-free. Pray for a good checkup and for their safe travel.
- Thank you for your prayers and concerns for Kirk Newcomxr. His heart attack was mild and he is doing well.
- Thank you for ongoing prayers for Hilda and Wilfred Y.
- Praise God for healing thus far in Chuck's lung, and continue to pray for renewed strength for him and Jeanie.