PRAYER & PRAISE NOTES

- On this Mother's Day we give thanks for the women who have blessed our lives as our mother, aunt, grandmother, sister, friend, teacher. We praise God for the many ways women across the generations have served in, led, challenged, and helped the church to grow around the world. And with the women who founded "Mother's Day" we continue to pray for peace in homes, in communities and nationally, so that mothers (and fathers) no longer have to send their children to war, or see them harmed by violence.
- We pray a blessing on Kristyn Hxrn and Shalem Lorxtsch as they begin their married life together. May their love for each other continue to deepen, and their love for Christ guide their steps.
- Give thanks for the gift of good days and stabilized health that Chuck Swxrtz had this past week, allowing him to visit with family members and friends. May the hope of Christ continue to sustain his body, mind and spirit.
- Tesa Jordan requests prayer for her brother, Tom Brennemxn who lives in Oregon. Tom has been diagnosed with stage 4 kidney cancer. Pray for Tom and his wife, Dorothy, as he receives treatment.
- Remember Joe Wilkxns in prayer as he recovers from a hip replacement last week, that he can regain full mobility.
- Hilda Yodxr will have a heart valve replaced on Tuesday in Lima.
 Pray that she would have strength for the surgery and recovery period, and that Christ's peace and love surround her, as well as Wilfred, Arnita and Melinda in this time.
- Pray for peace and strength for Bob Psollx as he has knee replacement surgery this Thursday.
- Remember Cindy in prayer as she will have treatment for kidney stones this Thursday. May she experience healing and full recovery.

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Conversion: Discovering a Bigger God

We gather to worship

Announcements

Lighting the Peace Lamp
"If your enemy is hungry, feed him;
if he is thirsty, give him something to drink.

Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

Romans 12:20a, 21

Welcome Prelude

We offer our praises & gifts

Congregational singing Scripture of praise - Revelation 7:9-12 Offering & offertory Congregational singing

We hear God's Word

Scripture: Acts 9:10-20

Message: "Ananias' brave obedience"

We respond to Christ's invitation

Song of response

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

We go to love and serve

Sending song Benediction

THIS WEEK

TODAY

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School

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

TUESDAY

9:00 a.m. - Women Serving in Love

SATURDAY

8:00 a.m. – Men's Breakfast

NEXT SUNDAY

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School

10:40 a.m. -Worship with communion.

Speaker, Rebecca Kauffmxn

5:00-7:00 p.m. – Bethel activity night – creating a "Coat of Arms"

PASTORAL CARE THIS WEEK: Dick Lindemxr

LAST WEEK

Sunday School 31

Worship Attendance 40

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

OUR THANKS TO THOSE WHO SERVE

This Week – May 12 Next Week – May 19

Worship leader: Chuck Bxck
Worship leader: Kathy Lehmxn
Musicians: Bill Barrxtt, Ellen Steinxr,
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Janet Wilkxns Janet Wilkxns

Speaker: Rebecca Kauffmxn
Greeters: Dave & Michelle Lxnk
Sound/media: Ken Shxnk
Prelude: Bill Barrxtt
Speaker: Rebecca Kauffmxn
Greeters: Carol & Chuck Bxck
Sound/media: Lori Lehmxn
Prelude: Ellen Steinxr

Prelude: Bill Barrxtt

Offertory: Ellen Steinxr

Offertory: Bill Barrxtt

Peace Lamp: Cindy Kauffmxn Peace Lamp: Cindy Kauffmxn

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Women Serving in Love is on Tuesday. Lunch is a Taco Salad Bar served by hostesses Donna and Christy. Those with last name initials A-G bring dessert. Devotions on Kindness by Miriam Lxpp. Project: Items for Relief Kits.

On Sunday, May 19, from 5-7 pm, all Bethel attendees are encouraged to **come for an activity night** where we can create a Coat of Arms for Bethel MC. In a variety of cultures, clans or family groups developed ways to remind the family of their story and tell others who the family is. A "coat of arms" contained symbols and pictures that reflected the story and identity of the family. Please prepare by thinking this week about: what songs, stories (old & new), symbols or objects, and motto represents or helps tell the Bethel story. **SEE mailbox for details.** Come! The more participation the better! Come ready to interact with each other, to tell & listen to stories, and to have fun! *Finger food will be served*.

The New Path Pregnancy Resource Centers is conducting a 2019 Baby Bottle Campaign. They are asking that you "Spare Some Change to Help Spare a Life." The Center is a locally organized and funded ministry, which offers life-affirming education to women and families. Bottles (and instructions) will be available for pick up, in the foyer, after today's service and will need to be returned to the same location on Father's Day, Sunday, June 16th.*

May is National Foster Care Month, and to celebrate the momentous work of providing a safe and loving home to Ohio's foster children, Adriel has launched our "May Every Child Feel Safe and Loved" giving campaign! For stories of foster care and an opportunity to give, go to https://adriel.networkforgood.com.

Check out the magazine stand by the library for new publications of The Marketplace (MEDA), A Common Place (MCC), Everyday Stewardship (Everence), Courier (Mennonite World Conference), BLUFFTON alumni magazine and Connections (Anabaptist Disabilities Network).*

June 10-14. Vacation Bible School. Invite your friends and neighbors. Yellow registration forms are available in the foyer.*

Cindy's welcome for sharing a meal with her continues. She is able to host you in the evenings Monday-Tuesday, or Thursday-Saturday.