

PRAYER & PRAISE NOTES

- Remember Wilfred Yodxr as he struggles with health problems and receives care at Mary Rutan hospital. Pray for Hilda and their daughters too. May they all experience the presence and peace of Christ.
- As many youth, delegates, presenters and guests gather in Kansas City, MO for the bi-annual MC USA Convention, July 2-6, pray that it becomes a time for building up one another and the Church in the Lord. Pray for openness to learning as we listen to each other, for God's wisdom and leading in discernment, and for joy as we worship. Consider reading with us the scripture focus John 20:19-23. May God's Spirit direct the worship leaders, speakers, and moderators as they give leadership to the event.
- Pray for farmers and farming communities across the mid-west who face economic uncertainties and emotional discouragement due to flooding. Pray that those who make decisions about how to manage water would act with wisdom, justice, and concern for both human and environmental needs.
- This week, citizens of the USA celebrate their allegiance to the nation and its institutions. As Anabaptist Christians, we recognize the benefits afforded us by our country, yet also pray that we can remain true to our primary commitment - allegiance to God and his reign.
- Continue to pray for healing for Jason Phillxps Jr, the son of friends of KJ, following his serious car collision last Thursday. He is in critical but stable condition.

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We gather to worship

Announcements

Lighting the Peace Lamp

Don't worry about anything; instead, pray about everything. Tell God what you need, and thank him for all he has done. Then you will experience God's peace, which exceeds anything we can understand. His peace will guard your hearts and minds as you live in Christ Jesus.

Philippians 4:6-7 (New Living Translation)

Welcome

Prelude

We offer our praises & gifts

Congregational singing

Affirmation of faith (see insert)

Offering & offertory

Congregational singing

We hear God's Word

Scripture: Gen 2: 4b, 7-9, 15-18a, & Rev 22: 1-6, 17, 20

Message: “Full Circle”

We respond to Christ's invitation

Preparation (see insert)

Communion

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

Intercessory prayer

We go to love and serve

Sending song

Benediction

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rebecca and Andrew will be attending the Mennonite Church USA national convention from July xx (plus a day of travel). She will respond to emails & messages as able. Contact Mark Thomxs in case of a pastoral care need or emergency.

Since Art's passing, my Bethel family has been awesomely generous! Your love and service has been a wonderful gift to me and my family at this difficult time. Thank you from the bottom of my heart!
– Mary Newcomxr*

Thank you to all of the women who made salads and desserts for Art Newcomxr's memorial service.
–The Special Occasions Committee.

Voices Together is the name of a new worship and song collection designed to deepen our lives of faith. It will include a variety of musical styles and include familiar favorites and new songs (including some new pieces by today's Anabaptist composers). It will be available in Fall 2020 but ordering begins soon. Bethel's worship ministry plans to order 120 pew editions in order to get the best discount. If you would like to order a personal copy for yourself, please indicate on the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board by July 10. Regular price is \$23.99.*

African Children's Choir in concert July 12 at 7:00 p.m. at South Union Mennonite Church. A free will offering will be taken with proceeds going directly to Music for Life. There is limited opportunity to host the children and chaperones of the choir. Contact Jerry Walkxr, call/text, or email: xx.com if you are interested in being a host.*

Mark your calendar for the **Community Benefit and Ice Cream Social** for the Ryan Bxrry family on July 27th.

Ohio Mennonite Relief Sale & Auction at Wayne County Fairgrounds. August 2 & 3. Brochures are in the foyer or go to ohiomccreliefsale.org for more information.*

*More information in the foyer

THIS WEEK

TODAY

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School

10:40 a.m. – Worship. Communion. Speaker, Russxll Millxr

SATURDAY

8:00a.m. – Men's Breakfast

NEXT SUNDAY

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School

10:40 a.m. – Worship. Speaker, Alvin Yodxr

PASTORAL CARE THIS WEEK: Mark Thomxs

LAST WEEK

Sunday School 37 Worship Attendance 70

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

OUR THANKS TO THOSE WHO SERVE

This Week – June 30

Worship leader: Kim Lehmxn

Musicians: Bill Barrxtt, Janet Wilkxns, Ellen Steinxr

Speaker: Russell Millxr

Greeters: Mike & Rita Robxrts

Sound/media: Ken Shxnk

Prelude: Bill & Team

Offertory: Bill Barrxtt

Peace Lamp: Cindy Kauffmxn

Next Week – July 7

Worship leader: Kathy Lehmxn

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

Speaker: Alvin Yodxr

Greeters: Joe & Donna Lehmxn

Sound/media: Larry Evxns

Prelude: Elaine Newcomxr

Offertory: Elaine Newcomxxr

Peace Lamp: Cindy Kauffmxn

Affirmation of faith:

Leader: From the beginning of time the Spirit of God
encircled the earth -

Women: moving over the face of the waters at creation,

Men: leading the Israelites in a pillar of cloud and fire to the
promised land,

Women: interceding for Hannah as she prayed for a child,

Men: inspiring the writing of psalms,

Women: bringing visions to prophets;

Men: moving the hearts of men & women to follow Jesus.

Leader: The Spirit came yet again as God's gift to us
at Pentecost, in order to increase our access to God,
that the church might be built up in love
and grow in maturity.

**All: The God who is revealed in the body of Jesus
and the mystery of Spirit
is the God we have come to worship today.**

Preparation:

Leader: In goodness and loving kindness you save us,

**All: not because of anything we have done,
but in mercy,
through the waters of rebirth
and renewal by the Holy Spirit.**

(Silent Prayer)

Leader: This Spirit you pour out on us richly, O God,
through Jesus Christ our Savior,

**All: so that, having been justified by grace,
we might become heirs
according to the hope of eternal life. Amen.**