## PRAYER & PRAISE NOTES

- Continue to pray for those with health concerns, including: Jim Barrxtt, Wilfred Y., Jerry (Cindy's brother), Rick Zerkxl, Jason P. (KJ's friend's son), and others.
- Pray for Jeanie S as she recovers from surgery and begins physical therapy. May God's power bring healing and strength.
- Pray for the Ohio Conference Leadership Team as they seek to fill the vacant Conference Moderator position, and also the West Regional Pastor position (which will become open this fall as Cliff Brubakxr concludes his service in that role). Pray for God's direction so that wise and faith-filled persons can be found for these important leadership roles.
- People in Venezuela are dying due to lack of food and medical care. Pray for local Mennonite Church members as they show God's love through generously sharing what they have. Pray for resources necessary for abundant life and for an end to political conflict.

# **LAST WEEK**

Sunday School 35 Worship Attendance 56

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

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# **Bethel Mennonite Church**

"Serving Jesus, Loving Others"

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# We gather to worship

Announcements

Lighting the Peace Lamp

For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us. ... that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, ... Ephesians 2:14-15

Welcome Prelude

## We offer our praises & gifts

Congregational singing
Old Testament reading: Isaiah 57:14-21

Offering & offertory Congregational singing

### We hear God's Word

Scripture: Ephesians 2:11-22

Message:

Christ is our peace: rebirth & reconciliation in the body of Christ

## 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 – We, Your People, Sing Your Praises Benediction

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

You are invited to be in prayerful preparation for our **celebration of communion** next Sunday.

July is the month to contribute to the **Student Aid Fund**. Please be generous as we launch Annie Steinxr into her senior year at Goshen College! – Mary Newcomxr

July 27<sup>th</sup> **Community Ice Cream Social Benefit** for the Ryan Bxrry family at W L United Methodist Church.Consider the ways you would like to contribute. A sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board. \*

Clete Schrxck of Everence Financial will present an informative **charitable giving seminar** on Tuesday, July 30, at 6:30 p.m. The presentation will cover how people can maximize their giving to family, church and charities while minimizing taxes. The seminar will take place at Shiloh Mennonite Church, 7521 Woods and West Avenue, London. Light refreshments will be served. For more information or to reserve your spot, contact Ken Sxms at x

**July 31<sup>st</sup>. Green Hills Annual Church Social.** Everyone invited! Worship, food fellowship and games at Foundation Hall. 5:30 church service. 6:00p.m. picnic & ice cream. RSVP to xxx by July 24<sup>th</sup>.\*

A **Celebration of Life service** for Chuck Swxrtz is planned for August  $3^{\rm rd}$ . Calling hours will be at the church from 9:30-10:30 a.m. The service will be at 11:00 a.m. with a meal and sharing to follow. During this time you are encouraged to share your memories of Chuck.

Are you interested in volunteering at **New Path Pregnancy Resource Centers**? Are you curious about how we bring the Gospel into the discussion with young ladies who are facing an unplanned pregnancy? Come join us for our next training session being offered at Goshen Friends Church (5527 County Road 153 - right off 33 west, next to Marmon Valley Farm) in Logan County on the evenings of *August 5, August 6. August 12 & Aug. 13*. We will open the Scriptures to discover how God's Word is the cornerstone for our work at the Center so be sure to bring your Bibles.

A light supper will be served at 5:30 each evening. Training will

begin at 6:00 and end at 9:00. Even if you cannot attend all four sessions, which are required for volunteering, come to those you can attend and we will work with you to make up those you miss.

**ADRIEL Benefit Golf Scramble**. September 9, 2019, 12:30 p.m. at Eagle Rock Golf Club, Defiance Ohio. See the bulletin board for details.\*

August 2 & 3 **Ohio Mennonite Relief Sale** Wayne County Fairgrounds, Wooster OH. \*

\*More information in the foyer

# THIS WEEK

### **TODAY**

9:30 a.m. - Sunday School

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

## WEDNESDAY

4:15p.m. – Our Daily Bread

## **SATURDAY**

**4:00 -7:30 p.m.** – Community ice cream social benefit at United Methodist Church.

#### **NEXT SUNDAY**

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School

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

# PASTORAL CARE THIS WEEK: Dick Lindemxr (539-8460)

#### **OUR THANKS TO THOSE WHO SERVE**

This Week – July 21 Next Week – July 28

Worship leader: Doug Steinxr

Musicians: Bill Barrxtt, Janet Wilkxns,

Musicians: Ellen Steinxr, Janet

Ellen Steinxr Wilkxns, Bill Barrxtt, Byron Kauffmxn

Speaker: Rebecca Kauffmxn Speaker: Rebecca Kauffmxn

**Greeters:** Ken & Jeanette Hostetlxr **Greeters:** Ken & Jeanette Hostetlxr

Sound/media: Mark Kauffmxn Sound/media: Lori Lehmxn

Prelude: Ellen SteinxrPrelude: Bill BarrxttOffertory: Bill BarrxttOffertory: Ellen SteinxrPeace Lamp: Cindy KauffmxnPeace Lamp: Cindy Kauffmxn