

PRAYER & PRAISE NOTES

- Pray for those struggling with health needs, including: Wilfred Y., Steve Smxth, Roger Leisurx, Jerry, and others. May God's presence and love reach their hearts and bodies.
- Give thanks this week for friends who "carried you to Jesus" when you needed it, and offer thanks for God's forgiveness. Ask the Holy Spirit to guide you in reaching out with care to someone else.
- Pray for those affected by Hurricane Dorian in the Bahamas and on the east coast. May God's will be done on earth in the form of compassion, generosity, and righteousness.



Prayer of Preparation

Remember your mercy, O Lord,
and the love you have shown from of old.

***Do not remember my sins;
in your love remember me.***

(silence)

You relieve the troubles of my heart,
and bring me out of my distress.

***You consider my affliction and my trouble,
and forgive all my sins. Amen.***

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We gather to worship

Announcements

Lighting the Peace Lamp

Hannah replied, "I am a woman who is deeply troubled. ... I have been praying here out of my great anguish and grief." Eli answered, "Go in peace, and may the God of Israel grant you what you have asked of him." | Samuel 1:15-17 NIV

Welcome

Prelude

We offer our praises & gifts

Congregational singing

Old Testament Reading: Psalms 41

Offering & offertory

Congregational singing

We hear God's Word

Scripture: Mark 2:1-12

Message: Carrying our friends to Jesus

We respond to Christ's invitation

Communion (see back of bulletin)

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

Intercessory prayer

We go to love and serve

Sending song

Benediction

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Paving of the parking lot is scheduled to begin September 10.

Women Serving in Love meets Tuesday, Sept. 10 (booklet incorrect.) Please do not park on the south side of the building or where ever there is new sidewalk. Leave spaces on the north and east side of Bethel for those who need to be closer to the door. Parking space is available in the Church of God lot.

Bring a sack lunch. The officers will host and provide desserts. School kits are the project of the month.

This **Thursday**, 9:30-2:30, Rebecca will be at a meeting for Ohio Conference credentialed leaders. Leave a voicemail or text her if needed.

September is Bethel's month to serve at **West Liberty Cares**. Please sign up on the bulletin board if you are willing to help.*

"Be Strong and Courageous," a **Women's Retreat** at Camp Luz September 13-15. Jeanne Zimmerly Jantz, speaker. Register by September 9.*

MCC Thrift Shop is changing computer systems and need help with repricing the many items for sale. Even if you can only help for an hour this will be greatly appreciated. Please call the shop at 937-465-3077 or stop on by and talk to a manager. We would appreciate the help!

The **Gifts Discernment Committee** has put a list of nominations for the 2019-20 year in your mailboxes. Please offer your affirmation &/or reservations on the form, sign, and return to the box in the foyer by Sept. 15. Thank you! *

The New Rules of Money: Navigate the new economy like a pro! Everence® will host this informative webinar on Tuesday, Sept. 10 at 2 and 8 p.m. For more information, or to register, visit www.everence.com/national or contact Melissa Short at 800-348-7468 ext. 3392 or melissa.short@everence.com*

The latest edition of The Marketplace, a MEDA magazine is outside the library. The Sept/Oct edition of the Evangel and a newsletter from Kekchx Mennonite Education Center are on the bulletin board.*

*More information in the foyer

THIS WEEK

TODAY

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School

10:40 a.m. – Worship with communion. Speaker, Rebecca K.

TUESDAY

9:00 a.m. – Women Serving in Love

WEDNESDAY

4:30 – 6:30 p.m. – West Liberty Cares

THURSDAY

7:00 p.m. – Elder Leadership Team

NEXT SUNDAY

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School

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

PASTORAL CARE THIS WEEK: Mark Thomxs

LAST WEEK

Worship Attendance 56

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

OUR THANKS TO THOSE WHO SERVE

This Week – September 8

Worship leader: Doug Steinxr

Musicians: Bill Barrxtt, Janet Wilkxns
Ellen Steinxr

Speaker: Rebecca Kauffmxn

Greeters: Paul & Linda Hostetlrx

Sound/media: Lori Lehmxxn

Prelude: Bill Barrxtt

Offertory: Ellen Steinxr

Peace Lamp: Cindy Kauffmxn

Next Week – September 15

Worship leader: Doug Steinxr

Musicians: Janet Wilkxns, Bill Barrxtt
Ellen Steinxr

Speaker: Rebecca Kauffmxn

Greeters: Eleanor Shumakxr

Sound/media: Ken Shxnx

Prelude: Ellen Steinxr

Offertory: Bill Barrxtt

Peace Lamp: Cindy Kauffmxn