# **PRAYER & PRAISE NOTES**

- Remember Mary Ann Kxng, as well as Mike & Rita Robxrts, as they travel this week to their homes in Florida.
- Psalm 34:18 says, "The Lord is near to the brokenhearted, and saves the crushed in spirit." Talk to God about the hurts you carry; pray for yourself. Pray also for those you know who are struggling with grief, health concerns, or other burdens.
- Give thanks to God for the ways you see him active in our community. Pray for an ability to see the needs around us, to listen deeply, to speak with courage & humility, and to share the joy of knowing Christ. May we be open to the prompting of the Holy Spirit this week.
- Marvin Lorenzanx, is Mission Network's director for the Missional Discipleship Initiative. He requests prayer for the 45 leaders meeting in 8 "learning groups" that were launched in October. Praise God for those who are being trained to reach out into their communities to make disciples. Pray for wisdom and energy for them and for Marvin.

# **LAST WEEK**

Sunday School 38 Worship Attendance 61

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

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# **Bethel Mennonite Church**

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## We gather to worship

Announcements

Welcome & Lighting the Peace Lamp

How beautiful upon the mountains

are the feet of the messenger who announces peace,
who brings good news,
who announces salvation,
who says to Zion, "Your God reigns." Isaiah 52:7

Prelude

#### We offer our praises & gifts

Congregational singing

Offering & offertory

Mission Moment

Congregational singing

#### We hear God's Word

Scripture: John 3:16-17 & Luke 13:20-21

Message: Be the Gospel

## We respond to Christ's invitation

Prayer of response

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

### We go to love and serve

Sending song Benediction

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Throughout Missions Month (Nov.) we are invited to designate above budget gifts to support several mission projects. This year our **Missions Month gifts** will be divided between the following projects: Mennonite Mission Network work in Guatemala, the West Liberty Cares emergency fund, and Gideon's (Bibles for Haiti).

Tuesday, **Women Serving in Love**. Christy Headxngs and Janet Bxll will be serving soup. Women with the last name initials L-Y bring a dessert to share. Project: hygiene kits.

For our **fellowship meal next Sunday**, November 17, several people are needed to bring rice and beans. Please see the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board if you are willing to help in this way.

Next weekend, from Fri. evening (15th) to Sunday noon, Rebecca & Andrew will be at a **Pastor-Spouse retreat** sponsored by Ohio Conference. Thank you, Bethel, for granting us this time away! For pastoral care needs during that time, contact Carl Newcomxr.

**Thank you** to everyone who prayed, sent cards and/or brought food to me and my family throughout Bob's illness and death! Your love and prayers helped us through this difficult time. Mary Psollx

**Everence**® will host an informative **webinar**, Performing a financial health check-up on Thursday, Nov. 14 at 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. (EST). Participants will learn about steps to take to build healthy financial habits, how to prevent debt with spending and savings strategies and what financial health means to you. For more information, or to register, visit <a href="www.everence.com/national">www.everence.com/national</a> or contact Melissa Shxrt at 800-348-7468 ext. 3392 or melissa.short@everence.com

**Mennonite Disaster Service** Western Ohio Unit's **annual meeting** will be on Saturday, November 23 from 10 a.m. -2 p.m., at South Union Mennonite Church, West Liberty, Ohio. This is an open meeting and all are encouraged to attend! There will be reporting on the Dayton tornado response and the Logan County flooding along with updates on the long term recovery in the areas affected by the storms.

In order to prepare for refreshments and lunch, we encourage you to RSVP to <a href="mailto:jhilty53@fairpoint.net">jhilty53@fairpoint.net</a> by Wednesday November 20, 2019. Please include your name, name(s) of others attending with you and the name of your church.

Community funeral meals. Bethel has begun a ministry to provide a meal and gathering place for families who have no church home or place to meet at the time of a funeral. There are several ways you can help us offer this hospitality. See the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board. Someone from the committee will contact you when needs arise.

It is time to update the **church directory**. Please check your (and your family's) information on the papers on the table outside the library. Write any needed corrections or additions on the papers. Please initial the section when you have checked over it. Thank you. Miriam

## THIS WEEK

#### **TODAY**

9:30 a.m. - Sunday School

10:40 a.m. – Worship. Pastor Rebecca, speaker

#### **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

7:00 p.m. – Elder Leadership Team Meeting

#### **FRIDAY**

**10:30 a.m.** – Bell Choir practice

#### **SATURDAY**

8:00 a.m. – Men's Breakfast

## **NEXT SUNDAY**

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School

10:40 a.m. – Worship. Sue Carter, speaker

**Noon** – Fellowship meal

### PASTORAL CARE THIS WEEK: Mark Thomxs

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

This Week – November 10 Next Week – November 17
Worship leader: Kim Lehmxn Worship leader: Kim Lehmxn

Musicians: Bill Barrxtt, Janet Wilkxns, Musicians: Janet Wilkxns, Bill Barrxtt,

Ellen Steinxr Ellen Steinxr

**Speaker:** Rebecca Kauffmxn **Speaker:** Sue Cartxr

Greeters: Chuck & Carol Bxck
Sound/media: Mark Kauffmxn
Prelude: Bill Barrxtt
Offertory: Ellen Steinxr

Greeters: Eleanor Shumakxr
Sound/media: Ken Shxnk
Prelude: Ellen Steinxr
Offertory: Bill Barrxtt
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Peace Lamp: Cindy Kauffmxn

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