

PRAYER & PRAISE NOTES

- This week Byron & Barb K begin a 3-week term of voluntary service through the SOOP program. They will be working at Pine Lake Fellowship Camp, a Mennonite camp in Meridian, Mississippi. Pray that good relationships will develop and that their work will become a blessing to the camp staff and guests. May they have safety and feel blessed as they serve.
- Continue to pray for Bill B. as he undergoes rehabilitation. May God's healing and love surround him. Also remember Carole in prayer, that the Holy Spirit would grant her energy, patience and wisdom as she juggles many responsibilities.
- Remember Hilda Y. as she is recovering at Green Hills, and give thanks for her healing.
- Pray for Ohio Conference minister Dick Barrxtt, as well as congregational representatives who will gather in the four regions of the state for "Cluster meetings" in preparation for the Annual meeting in March. May we have open ears and hearts to listen well to one another and the Spirit.
- This week we remember Martin Luther King Jr., who followed Jesus' way of nonviolent civil disobedience in bringing hope, dignity and justice to the African American community and others marginalized by society. Pray a blessing on ministries that work to undo racism and bring positive change in the United States and around the world.

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We gather to worship

Announcements

Lighting the Peace Lamp

A gentle answer turns away wrath,
but a harsh word stirs up anger.

A hot-tempered person stirs up conflict,
but the one who is patient calms a quarrel. Proverbs 15: 1 & 18

Welcome

Prelude

We offer our praises & gifts

Congregational singing

Psalm reading: Psalm 40: 4-11

Offering & offertory

Congregational singing

We hear God's Word

Scripture: John 1:29-42

Message: "What are you looking for?"

We respond to Christ's invitation

Prayer of preparation:

Lord, you are good and just;
you guide us when we stray.
(silent prayer)

You forgive our sins, though they are great,
and you teach the humble your way. Amen.

Communion

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

Intercessory prayer

We go to love and serve

Sending song

Benediction

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today, **Fellowship & Mutual Care members**, please meet in the kitchen for a brief meeting after church.

Please consider serving as a **greeter in 2020**. Give your completed greeter volunteer sheets to Polly today.

Pledge forms for **Bethel's capital campaign** can go in the designated box in the hallway by January 31.*

Please submit items for the **February calendar** to the church office by Wed. Jan. 22. Thank you!

Movie night at South Union, January 25 @ 6 p.m. "Paul, Apostle of Christ" will be showing. If there is inclement weather, we ask people to be safe. Everyone is welcome.

Deb Bylrx's birthday is coming up January 29th. Her email address is debkb22@gmail.com

Everence is offering a basic **estate planning webinar**, "What to do with your stuff": Jan. 29 at 2 p.m. and repeated again at 8 p.m. EST. Join this webinar to learn the basics of estate planning and where to begin the process. Visit www.everence.com/national to view more information or to register. For any questions, please contact Melissa Shxrt at 574-533-9515 x 3392, 800-348-7468 x 3392 or melissa.short@everence.com.*

*More information in the foyer.

THIS WEEK

TODAY

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School

10:40 a.m. – Worship. Rebecca Kauffmxn speaker. Communion.

TUESDAY

9:15 a.m. – Women's Bible Study

3:30 p.m. – 5:00p.m. – Homework Help

WEDNESDAY

4:15 p.m. – Our Daily Bread

THURSDAY

3:30 p.m. – 5:00p.m. – Homework Help

NEXT SUNDAY

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School

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

PASTORAL CARE THIS WEEK: Carl Newcomxr

LAST WEEK

Sunday School 31

Worship Attendance 50

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

OUR THANKS TO THOSE WHO SERVE

This Week – January 19

Worship leader: Doug Steinxr

Musicians: Janet Wilkxns,
Ellen Steinxr

Speaker: Rebecca Kauffmxn

Greeters: Joe & Donna Lehmxn

Sound/media: Ken Shxnk

Prelude: Ellen Steinxr

Offertory: Ellen Steinxr

Peace Lamp: Cindy Kauffmxn

Next Week – January 26

Worship leader: Doug Steinxr

Musicians: Ellen Steinxr,
Janet Wilkxns

Speaker: Rebecca Kauffmxn

Greeters: Mary Newcomxr

Sound/media: Lori Lehmxn

Prelude: Ellen Steinxr

Offertory: Ellen Steinxr

Peace Lamp: Cindy Kauffmxn