

PRAYER & PRAISE NOTES

- Praise God! Lee Jordxn's most recent tests revealed that he does not have cancer!
- Pray for Bill and Carole as he transitions to living at home, that they can develop new routines. Give thanks, and pray for continued steps of improvement and courage to move ahead.
- Remember in prayer those people who live on the margins. May God sustain their courage, faith and hope. May the Holy Spirit show us how to reach out with sensitivity and love, and form our hearts to act with compassion and justice toward the least of these in our midst and around the world.

Confession of Faith

We are not alone;

we live in God's world.

We believe in God:

who has created and is creating,

who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh,

to reconcile and make new,

who works in us and others by the Spirit.

We are called to be the Church:

to celebrate God's presence,

to live with respect in Creation,

to love and serve others,

to seek justice and resist evil,

to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,

our judge and our hope.

In life, in death, in life beyond death,

God is with us. Thanks be to God!

Bethel Mennonite Church 465-4587
P.O. Box 549, 416 Washington Street www.bethelchurchwl.org
West Liberty, OH 43357

Pastor: Rebecca Kauffmxn (Rebecca@bethelchurchwl.org)

Office hours: T & F 9:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m.,
W & Th 1:00-5:00 p.m. or by appointment

Administrative Assistant: Miriam Lxpp (secretary@bethelchurchwl.org)

Office Hours: W and F 9:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

Elders: Elaine Newcomxr, Dick Lindemxr, Carol Bxck, Byron Kauffmxn,
Doug Steinxr

Bethel Mennonite Church

"Serving Jesus, Loving Others"

Vol. 62

February 16, 2020

No. 7

We gather to worship

Announcements

Lighting the Peace Lamp –

Love is patient; love is kind;

love is not envious or boastful or arrogant or rude.

It does not insist in its own way;

it is not irritable or resentful ... I Corinthians 13:4-5

Welcome

Prelude

We offer our praises & gifts

Congregational singing

New Testament reading: John 10:1-9

Offering & offertory

Congregational singing

We hear God's Word

Scripture: Psalm 40:4-11

Message: Are you staying in your lane?

We respond to Christ's invitation

Confession of faith – see back of bulletin

Communion

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

Intercessory prayer

We go to love and serve

Sending song

Benediction

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Come lend your presence and voice this afternoon as Bethel leads **worship at Green Hills** (Foundation Hall), from 2:30-3:00.

This week Miriam's office hours will be irregular. Feel free to call her at home or on her cell if you need to contact her. She will be in the office on Friday all day.

February 26, 6:30 p.m. – Ash Wednesday service at Bethel planned by 3 Mennonite Churches.

On **Sunday**, March 1, those who are **studying the book** *The Bible Unwrapped* will meet for one combined class session at 9:45 am in the Fellowship Room. This will be an introduction to the quarter. (Meet with your regular Sunday School class at 9:30 for 15 minutes of sharing).

Those choosing to study the book on **Friday mornings** at 11:00 a.m. will meet in the kitchen on March 6 for the first session.

If you wish to **contribute \$10** toward the cost of *The Bible Unwrapped* books, you can give the money to Ellen or designate it in the offering.

MCC Thrift Shop is in need of volunteers to run the cash register. Please contact one of our managers if interested! When you volunteer at MCC Thrift Shop it is a gift to the world and a way to be a missionary at home.

Join Everence's "Webinar Wednesdays" this week for *Get ready, get set, and develop a game winning retirement plan* on Feb. 19 at 2 p.m. and repeated again at 8 p.m. EST. Join this webinar to learn about transitioning to retirement and strategies around claiming Social Security. Visit www.everence.com/national to register. For any questions, please contact Melissa Shxrt at 574-533-9515 x 3392, or melissa.short@everence.com. Let Linda Hostetlrx know if you participate in a webinar.

Capital Campaign Update:

Pledges...

Cash donated to date....

Total..... meets the \$ goal!

THIS WEEK

TODAY

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School

10:40 a.m. – Worship and communion. Doug Steinxr, speaker.

TUESDAY

9:15 a.m. – Women's Bible Study

12:15 p.m. – Peace & Justice Lunch

3:30 p.m. – 5:00p.m. – Homework Help

7:00 p.m. – Worship Ministry

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.

2:30 p.m. – Green Hills service

February 26, 6:30 p.m. – Joint Ash Wednesday Service

PASTORAL CARE THIS WEEK: Carl Newcomxr

LAST WEEK

Sunday School 30

Worship Attendance 39

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

OUR THANKS TO THOSE WHO SERVE

This Week – February 16

Worship leader: Kathy Lehmxn

Musicians: Janet Wilkxns,

Ellen Steinxr, Carl Newcomxr

Speaker: Doug Steinxr

Greeters: Joe & Donna Lehmxn

Sound/media: Andrew Bloxnt

Prelude: Ellen Steinxr

Offertory: Ellen Steinxr

Peace Lamp: Cindy Kauffmxn

Next Week – February 23

Worship leader: Kim Lehmxn

Musicians: Byron Kauffmxn

Speaker: Rebeca Kauffmxn

Greeters: Mark & Polly Thomxs

Sound/media: Lori Lehmxn

Prelude: Kathy Grabxr

Offertory: Elaine Newcomxr

Peace Lamp: Cindy Kauffmxn