

PRAYER & PRAISE NOTES

- Remember those who are experiencing health struggles. Pray for Eleanor S. as she is in the hospital. Kyle Yodxr has finished the gamma knife treatments. Pray for wisdom as he is in consultation with several doctors about next possible steps. Ray Swishxr (a friend of Mark Thomxs) will have procedures for his heart this week. Also Mark Thomxs' aunt Liz, age 97 of Georgia, has experienced declining health this year and will be making decisions about her care.
- Pray for Tobias Leamxn who is nearing the end of his earthly life yet maintaining a confident spirit. May God's grace surround him, his family and friends.
- Pray for Cindy and John as they prepare for a move to Bellefontaine; pray for a smooth transition.
- Continue to be in prayer for Bethel's renovation project, for the workers, and for Dave and Dean as they provide coordination. Pray for God's guidance as we look ahead to using these resources to serve our congregation and community.
- In this season of harvest, we pray for the farmers in our community and around the world. May God's hand of protection guard their bodies as they work, and also protect their minds and hearts from discouragement. May we as consumers be reminded of our reliance on the earth's soil and water, and on those who tend the land.
- As the number of cases of Covid-19 increases in our state and around the world, we continue to pray for all who are suffering from the disease and its effects. We grieve the tremendous loss of life, and pray for the will to work together toward healing.
- Pray for local, state, national, and global leaders, that they would make wise decisions, speak the truth, and reject selfish ambition.
- Praise God for creative peacemakers around the world! Celebrate: Joji Pantojx, who serves Mennonite World Conference as the Peace Commission Chair, was awarded the 2020 Oslo Business for Peace Award. The international award honors her work in the Philippinxs to resolve conflicts over land, empower coffee farmers through training and fair trade, and protect the environment.

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The Lord's Prayer

Announcements

Lighting the Peace Lamp: John 14:27 (The Living Bible)

Jesus said, "I am leaving you with a gift – peace of mind and heart and the peace I give isn't like the peace the world gives. So don't be afraid."

Prelude

Call to worship

We join together as hungry eaters
to be nourished by the food that you offer us.
God of sustenance, give us this day our daily bread.

As you care for the wheat fields that turn into bread
and the vineyards that labor to produce sweet wine,
tend to our bodies by feeding us what we need for healthy growth.
God of abundance, give us this day our daily bread.

The rich crops that you have prepared are now ready
to be harvested by our hands and our hearts.
Holy Spirit, come! Give us this day our daily bread.

Congregational song: Come, gracious Spirit – H# 303

Old Testament reading: Exodus 16:11-15

Offering prayer

Scripture: Matthew 6:7-15 and 2 Corinthians 2:5-11

Praying with our body

Message: Daily bread and forgiveness

Response song: Forgive our sins as we forgive – H #137

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

Sending song: Praise God from whom – H #118
Benediction

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Submit items for the **November calendar** to Miriam by Wednesday, Oct 21. Thanks.

MDS regional annual meeting is being held virtually this year on October 23-24. Contact Carl if you are interested in watching it.

Bethel's Covid-19 Response: Thank you for continuing to wear masks, wash hands, keep distance, and self-quarantine as needed - these are essential actions for the health of our congregation and community!

Deb Bylx has decided to extend her service in Guatemala by 6 months (from a 2.5 year term to 3 years). The Covid-19 pandemic has slowed down some of her work, so her hope with this change is that it will provide more time to complete the projects she began with the Kekchx Mennonite women and churches. She is now in year 2 of her term; Bethel's proposed budget includes giving to support her this year.

OUR THANKS TO THOSE WHO SERVE

This Week – October 18

Worship leader: Barb Kauffmxn

Music leader: Janet Wilkxns

Speaker: Rebecca Kauffmxn

Greeter: Mary Newcomxr

Sound: Mark Kauffmxn

Media: Andrew Bloxnt

Prelude: Ellen Steinxr

Next Week – October 25

Worship leader: Elaine Newcomxr

Music leader: Byron Kauffmxn

Speaker: Rebecca Kauffmxn

Greeter: Mary Newcomxr

Sound: Lori Lehmxx

Media: Andrew Bloxnt

Prelude: Elaine Newcomxr

THIS WEEK

TODAY

9:00 a.m. – Worship. Rebecca Kauffmxn, speaker.

10:20 a.m. – Annual Business Meeting in the sanctuary

TUESDAY

6:30 p.m. – Worship Ministry meeting

WEDNESDAY

9:00 – 12:00 a.m. – Pastor - peer meeting in Bethel fellowship room

NEXT SUNDAY

9:00 a.m. – Worship. Speaker, Rebecca Kauffmxn.

Scripture focus - Matthew 6:13

PASTORAL CARE THIS WEEK: Dick Lindemxr

LAST WEEK

Worship attendance 41

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God's kingdom purposes. Thanks.*

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