LAST WEEK

Worship Attendance 53

Your giving empowers our collective work for God's purpose. Thanks!

OUR THANKS TO

PASTORAL CARE THIS WEEK: Dick Lindemer

NURSERY: Today: Open

Next week: Barb Landes

GREETERS: Today: Larry & Barbara Evans

Next week: Jerry & Barb Landes

SOUND OPERATOR: Today: Brody Robinaugh

Next week: Mark Kauffman

MEDIA OPERATOR: Today: Annie Steiner

Next week: Savannah Hostetler

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Jesus compels us to experience and extend the gracious rule of God by the power of the Holy Spirit."

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Order of Worship – August 10, 2014 Stories of God's People – Lydia

Preparing By praying together

Infant Nursery @ 8:45a.m.

GatheringWelcome & Call to WorshipCheryl ShankPreludePat YoderPsalms 105:1-6, 16-22 & Opening PrayerGathering ChorusesBill Barrett and Team

Proclaiming Children's Story Scripture – Acts 16:11-15 Message "Lydia, a receptive heart"

With our offerings & Offertory

Vothy Crobor

Kathy Graber Byron Kauffman

SharingOf our joys, requests, thanksgivings & responsesPastoral PrayerPastor Dave Maurer

Sending Benediction Sending hymn

Praising

With Hymns

Pastor Dave

Jerry Landes

Pastor Dave Maurer

THIS WEEK

TODAY 9:30 a.m.—Worship Service 11:00 a.m.—Brunch Groups

TUESDAY 9:00 a.m.—Mennonite Women

WEDNESDAY 6:30 p.m.—Abraham's Lot 7:00 p.m.—Youth Bible Study

SATURDAY 7:30 a.m.—Men's Breakfast

NEXT SUNDAY

9:30 a.m. — Worship Service (Pastor Dave Speaking Acts 11:19-30; 12:25-13:12; & 13:42-52)
11:00 a.m. — Potluck and Farewell for the Stoners

LOOKING AHEAD

August Schedule – Please note that in August our Sunday morning schedule is a little bit different. On Aug. 17& 24, worship will begin at 9:30am with meals to follow instead of Sunday school. On August 24th, **worship will take place at the Lion's Park** in the large shelter and include the baptism of Daniel Lehman and be followed by the church picnic. On August 31, we will resume Sunday school at 9:30 with worship at 10:40am.

Pastoral Emergency/Care – Given Beth's surgery, Pastor Dave requests that in case of a pastoral emergency this week, you contact Chuck Swartz or Pastor Rick who will both be available.

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mennonite Women—This month's program is on Honoring Herself by Barb Kauffman. The lunch is a garden potluck sharing the bounty of God's Blessings. The hostesses are Mary Yoder & the officers and the project is school kits.

Reminder—Student Aid Pledges are due.

Sign up on the bulletin board to help at the Bethel Sausage Booth this Labor Day. Many time slots are still available.

Blood Drive, August 22 from 1-7 pm. Please sign up to help set up, tear down, donate refreshments and / or to give blood.

Newsletter Deadline—Please let Tesa know if you have something to submit, and have it turned in by August 18th for the Sept/Oct issue of the newsletter.

Community Cares Fund – Recently, we have received a number of requests for financial assistance from our community cares fund. The elders invite you to consider making a donation to this fund through the offering and designating it to "community cares."

Exit Agreement Approved Joint Council has approved an exit agreement for Pastor Rick who will officially conclude his time with us at the end of the month. This agreement was based on a template from Ohio Conference and developed with their encouragement and guidance. Anyone wishing to have a copy of the agreement may request one from the church office.

PRAYER & PRAISE NOTES

- **Pray for Mary Psxlla** as she recovers at a hospital in Indianapolis from surgery after a fall.
- **Pray for Molly Thrxnburg** who was recently hospitalized.
- **Pray for Julia Yxder** as she recovers at home .
- **Pray for Mary Kay Kxng** as she recovers at Green Hills from her recent surgery.
- **Pray for Grant Krxbill**, age 3, son of Joel & Katie, as he continues to recover in the hospital.
- **Pray for Beth Mxxrer**, as she prepares for surgery at the Cleveland Clinic on August 11th.
- **Please pray for Larry Kxrtz**, brother of Kathy Lehman, as he receives treatment for cancer.
- **Pray for Alisha and Josh Gxrber,** serving with Mennonite Mission Network, foster community life in the residence halls at LCC International University in Lithuania. Pray for them as they build relationships with the 53 Russian students and 69 Ukrainian students on campus, helping them listen to each other and develop conflict resolution skills.
- **Pray for our Year of Discernment** as we discern God's direction for youth ministry and as the gifts discernment committee meets.
- **Pray for our denomination and conference** as we discern God's leading and seek for kingdom opportunities.