LAST WEEK

Worship Attendance 79

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

OUR THANKS TO

PASTORAL CARE THIS WEEK: Carl Newcomer

NURSERY: **Today:** Barb Landes

Next week: Elaine Newcomer

Next week: Art & Mary Newcomer

GREETERS: Today: Jerry & Barb Landes

SOUND OPERATOR: Today: Mark Kauffman

Next week: Larry Evans

MEDIA OPERATOR: Today: Brody Robinaugh

Next week: Annie Steiner

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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 17, 2014 Stories of God's People – Barnabas Farewell to the Stoners

Preparing By praying together

Infant Nursery @ 8:45a.m.

Arrivals Welcome & Call to Worship Annie Steiner & Becky Wilkins Acts 4:32-37 Prelude **Bill Barrett** Acts 9:26-31 Reflections & Opening Prayer Gathering Hymns

Bill Barrett

Walking the Road Together Scripture- Acts 11:19-30; 12:25-13:12; & 13:42-52

Alex Steiner, Michael Lehman, & Trace Robinaugh "Barnabas, an encourager" **Pastor Dave Maurer** Message

With our offerings & Offertory With Choruses

Pat Yoder Annie Steiner and Team

Farewells and Blessings

Words of Farewell Words of Appreciation Litany of Recognition and Release (see insert) **Ritual of Pouring** Prayer of Blessing

Pastor Rick

Pastor Dave

Sharing

Of our joys, requests, thanksgivings & responses Pastoral Prayer Pastor Dave

Sending Benediction Sending hymn

Pastor Dave

THIS WEEK

TODAY 9:30 a.m.—Worship Service 11:00 a.m.—Potluck for the Stoner's

TUESDAY 12:00 p.m.—Peace & Justice

WEDNESDAY 7:00 p.m.—Youth Bible Study

THURSDAY 7:00 p.m.—Joint Council

FRIDAY 9:00 a.m.—Pastoral Care 1:00 p.m. —Red Cross Blood Drive

SATURDAY Church reserved

NEXT SUNDAY 9:30 a.m. — Worship Service at Lion's Park 11:00 a.m. — Baptism & Picnic

LOOKING AHEAD

August Schedule – Please note that in August our Sunday morning schedule is a little bit different. On August 24th, **worship will take place at the Lion's Park beginning at 9:30am** 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.

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

You are invited to attend the 60th Anniversary Hymn Sing Celebration for Lowell & Ella Mae Kauffman, Saturday, August 23rd at 2:00 p.m. Please RSVP to Janet Wilkins today!

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."

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.

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.

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 from surgery after a fall.
- 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 at home.
- **Pray for Beth Mxxrer,** as she recovers from surgery.
- Please pray for Larry Kxrtz, brother of Kathy Lehman, as he has experienced complications in his treatment.
- Please pray for Laura Schlxbach with Mennonite Mission Network, serving as the JCS International representative for Bayanhongor, a rural province in Mongolia. Pray for Laura as she works with this consortium of Christian organizations to help people enjoy more abundant life through development and relief, while encouraging the growing church.
- **Pray for our Year of Discernment** as we discern God's direction for youth ministry.
- **Pray for our denomination and conference** as we discern God's leading and seek for kingdom opportunities.