LAST WEEK

Worship Attendance 84

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

OUR THANKS TO

PASTORAL CARE THIS WEEK: Barb Landes

NURSERY: Today: Tara Sanford

Next week: Linda Hostetler

GREETERS: Today: Art & Mary Newcomer

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SOUND OPERATOR: Today: Brody Robinaugh

Next week: Mark Kauffman

Next week: Chuck & Jeanie Swartz

MEDIA OPERATOR: Today: Todd 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 31, 2014 Stories of God's People – Martha Labor Day Weekend

Preparing By praying together

Gathering

Welcome & Call to WorshipDoug SteinerPreludeKathy GraberPsalms 26:1-8 & Opening PrayerJanet Wilkins and Team

ProclaimingChildren's StoryBerScripture – Luke 10:38-42Message "Martha, a sister of labor"Pa

Beth Maurer

Pastor Dave Maurer

Infant Nursery @ 8:45a.m.

Praising

With our offerings & Offertory With Hymns

Bill Barrett Bill Barrett

Sharing

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

Sending

Benediction Sending hymn Pastor Dave

THIS WEEK

TODAY

9:30 a.m.—Sunday School
10:40 a.m.—Worship Service Sausage Booth
6:00 p.m. – Community Worship Service @ Lion's Park

MONDAY—Sausage Booth

TUESDAY Noon—Peace & Justice

WEDNESDAY Noon—Food Pantry

THURSDAY 7:00 p.m.—Ministry of Worship

SATURDAY 8:00 a.m. — Men's Breakfast

NEXT SUNDAY 9:30 a.m. — Sunday School 10:40 a.m. — Worship Service

LOOKING AHEAD

Signup Sheets are on the Bulletin Board by the mail boxes for The Food Pantry (we need 2 people each Wednesday in September from 12 - 2 and 2 people on Saturday, September 20^{th} from 12-2) and for Our Daily Bread on September 24^{th} at 4:15 pm. Please sign up if you can serve!

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

West Liberty Cares Food Pantry Bethel is responsible to stock and run the West Liberty Cares Food Pantry for the month of September. Please consider donating food, serving at the pantry and/or giving to the West Liberty Cares Emergency fund through our offering by making your check out to Bethel Mennonite and writing "WL Cares" on the memo line.

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."

Today is the last Intergenerational Sunday School Class, meeting in the fellowship room. We will discuss observing the presence of God in our lives. Regular Sunday School Classes will begin September 7th.

Crop Walk to end hunger is coming October 5th. We have a sign up page to walk, donate or both on the internet, or see Kim Lehman for more. Go to: <u>http://hunger.cwsglobal.org/goto/bethelwl</u> and support the Crop Walk.

Youth Ministry @ **Bethel** – More information about Council's plan for youth ministry at Bethel is available in your mailboxes. If you are interested in applying or know of someone that you believe may be called to the position, please contact Pastor Dave.

Gifts Discernment Update: Openings remain for Trustee, Youth Activity Coordinators, Assistant Children's SS Superintendent, and VBS Committee in the coming year. In addition to this, Dave Link has informed council of his resignation as congregational chair and requested that the gifts discernment committee meet to work at finding his replacement. We wish to thank Dave for his service in this position over the last 4 years and request that if you feel called to any of these positions or have names to suggest for these positions that you contact Dena Hostetler, Gifts Discernment Chair or Pastor Dave as soon as possible. We invite your prayers as the committee reconvenes.

PRAYER & PRAISE NOTES

- **Pray for Earl Nxwcomer,** (brother of Art) as he recovers from knee replacement surgery. In the recovery room, he had a heart attack, resulting in the placement of 3 stents.
- **Pray for Mary Psxlla** as she recovers at home.
- Pray for Mary Kay Kxng as she recovers in her apartment.
- Pray for Grant Krxbill, age 3, son of Joel & Katie, as he recovers.
- **Pray for Beth Mxxrer**, as she recovers and fights set backs.
- **Please pray for Larry Kxrtz**, brother of Kathy Lxhman, as he continues to battle cancer.
- **Pray for Janet Stxcky** of Mennonite Mission Network as she continues to develop language fluency, and as she writes a project proposal for Bethesda Hospital in Benin detailing the nutritional needs of women and young children.
- **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.