LAST WEEK

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Worship Attendance 87

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

OUR THANKS TO

PASTORAL CARE THIS WEEK: Mark Thomas

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NURSERY: Today: Tara Sanford

Next week: Carol Buck

GREETERS: Today: David & Sarah Hostetler Next week: David & Sarah Hostetler

SOUND OPERATOR: Today: Mark Kauffman

Next week: Larry Evans

MEDIA OPERATOR: Today: Savannah Hostetler

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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Stories of God's People – Peter, John & a Lame Man

Preparing By praying together

Infant Nursery @ 8:45a.m.

Gathering Welcome & Call to Worship **KJ** Schrock **Bill Barrett** Prelude Psalms 139:1-12 & Opening Prayer Gathering Hymns

Carl Newcomer

Proclaiming

"Peter, John & a Lame Man" Pastor Rick Stoner Message From Acts 3 Special Music "Consider the Lilies" Tesa Jordan

Praising

With our offerings & Offertory With Choruses

Pat Yoder Annie Steiner and Team

Sharing Of our joys, requests, thanksgivings & responses Pastoral Prayer Pastor Rick Stoner

Sending

Benediction Sending hymn Pastor Rick

THIS WEEK

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

WEDNESDAY 4:15 p.m.—Our Daily Bread 6:30 p.m.—Abraham's Lot

THURSDAY 7:00pm—Joint Council

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

LOOKING AHEAD

Pastoral Care - If you have a pastoral emergency through the 22nd, please contact Chuck Swartz or Pastor Rick.

August Schedule – Please note that in August our Sunday morning schedule will be a little bit different. On Aug. 3, 10, 17, & 24, worship will begin at 9:30am with meals to follow instead of Sunday school. On August 31, we will resume SS at 9:30 with worship at 10:40am.

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

West Liberty MVS Unit - Some have wondered what it would look like for us to re-establish an MVS unit in West Liberty to partner with local agencies. While no commitments have been made, we continue to explore this possibility and seek God's leading. An informational meeting with Neil Richer of MMN will take place at Bethel on Wed., August 6th @ 7PM. All who are interested in learning more are welcome to attend.

Giving Opportunity – A few years ago, we supported an Iraqi student at Bluffton University. Ahmed Tarik is another student who went through this program. Now he has been accepted into the graduate program in conflict transformation at EMU and is in need of financial assistance. More information about Ahmed is available on the bulletin board. Peace and Justice lunch would like to invite us to consider supporting Ahmed in his studies. You may make a contribution by marking "Iraqi Student" on the memo line and placing it in the offering between now and August 3rd.

Reminder—Student Aid Pledges are due this month.

Soccer Camp July 28-31—Mark your calendars for soccer camp! We currently have 40 children registered!

Sign up on the bulletin board to help on July 23rd at Our Daily Bread.

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

Thank you to everyone who made our 50th Anniversary special by congratulating us, sending cards, or attending our surprise open house. —Carl and Elaine Newcomer.

Thank you for your prayers, cards and visits during my recovery from eye surgery. —Ed Lehman

PRAYER & PRAISE NOTES

- **Pray for Grant Krxbill,** age 3, son of Joel & Katie, MRI revealed pool of spinal fluid on brain and he must stay quiet to recover.
- Please pray for friends of Chuck Grxber: Bob Cxhn was diagnosed with Lou Gehrig's disease. Judy Lxngrell was diagnosed with a glioblaastoma in her brain...a tumor.
- **Pray for Beth Mxxrer,** for her health and her return to Cleveland Clinic to meet with a surgeon on July 22nd.
- **Please pray for Larry Kxrtz**, brother of Kathy Lehman. Larry has cancer and begins chemo and radiation treatment this week.
- **Pray for Jared Yxder**, new athletic director at Lancaster (Pa.) Mennonite School, that he may have vision and wisdom to empower and enable holistic growth in their students.
- **Pray for Brian and Kelly McPhxxl** as they deepen their relationships with their English students in China throughout the summer, and as they assist in coordinating visits with Fuller Theological Seminary and Mennonite Partners in China.
- **Pray for Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary Professors** who spend the summer months exploring new research and beginning new projects. May the Spirit guide their study to inspire them and combine to God's mission in the world.
- **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.