

## LAST WEEK

Sunday School

Worship Attendance

*Your generosity empowers our collective work for  
God's kingdom purposes. Thanks.*

## OUR THANKS TO THOSE WHO SERVE

### PASTORAL CARE THIS WEEK:

Mark Thomxs

### GREETERS:

**Today:** Mark & Polly Thomxs

**Next Week:** Byron & Barb Kauffmxn

### SOUND OPERATOR:

**Today:** Mark Kauffmxn

**Next Week:** Lori Lehmxcn

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# Bethel Mennonite Church

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### Gathering

Announcements

Welcome & Call to Worship

Prelude

Psalm 91:1-4

Opening prayer

Ellen Steinxr

Bill Barrxtt

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### Praising

Congregational Singing

With our Offerings & Offertory

Bill Barrxtt

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**Confession** (*adapted from STS 62*)

Ellen Steinxr

Leader: We have gathered as your people.

**All: Have mercy on me, O God.**

Leader: Have mercy according to your steadfast love.

**All: I know that I have sinned for my transgressions are before me.**

Leader: Wash us from our iniquity and cleanse us from our sins.

**All: You look for truth within me.**

Leader: Teach us wisdom in our hearts.

**All: Restore to me your joy.**

Leader: And sustain within us a willing spirit.

**All: Wash me from my iniquity and cleanse me from my sin. Amen**

Congregational Singing

Janet Wilkxns and Worship

Team

### Proclaiming

Scripture Reading Daniel 4:28-33

Ellen Steinxr

Message: “Pride: Vice or Virtue?”

Pastor Chuck Swxrtz

### Sharing

Our joys, requests, thanksgivings & responses

Pastoral Prayer

Pastor Cheryl Shxnk

Sending song

Bill Barrxtt

Benediction

Pastor Cheryl Shxnk

## THIS WEEK

### TODAY

**9:30 a.m.** – Sunday School – Bible Study led by Larry Evxns  
**10:40 a.m.** – Worship. Pastor Chuck Swartz.

### TUESDAY

**9:30 a.m.** – Women Serving in Love

### SATURDAY

**8:00 a.m.** – Men’s Breakfast. Liberty Gathering Place

### NEXT SUNDAY

**9:30 a.m.** – Sunday School – Bible Study led by Larry Evxns  
**10:40 a.m.** – Worship. Speaker, KJ Schrxck.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Cheryl, Chuck and Jeanie will be out of town August 14 – 21. For emergencies, contact Mark Thomxs, Pastoral Care or Miriam Lxpp, in the office Wednesday and Friday or at home.

**Women Serving in Love** meet Tuesday. The noon meal is Garden Potluck. Miriam and Gina are hostesses. The project this month is School Kits.

**Summer Newsletter.** Miriam will be publishing a newsletter in late August. Did you take a trip you’d like to tell us about? Do you have something interesting you’d like to share in the newsletter? Information for the newsletter is due August 19<sup>th</sup>. Thanks.

Mark your calendars for the **Church Picnic on August 26<sup>th</sup>** at the large shelter house at Lions Park. Worship is at 10:00 a.m. and the picnic is at 11:30a.m. Please bring a dish to share and your own table service. Beverage will be provided.

**September** is Bethel’s month to volunteer on Wednesdays at South Union for **West Liberty Cares**. The yellow sign-up sheet with the specific times is on the bulletin board.\*

A special thank you to my Bethel family for all the help and support given to me while recovering from my fractured knee. The cards, the food, the visits and all the prayers were greatly appreciated. I feel blessed to have such great friends. Shirley Kxng

“Thank you” seems inadequate to express our thankfulness to God and to you for supporting his sweet ministry through your gifts and prayers. Because you gave, we are able to serve the clients the LORD entrusts to us.

*New Path Pregnancy Centers*  
Bethel donated \$ to the center this spring in the Baby Bottle Campaign.

Everence Financial will present *Creative tools for charitable giving* at 6:30 p.m., on Tuesday, Aug. 21, at The Grove. The seminar will cover ways to minimize your tax bite and maximize your giving power, provide for family, church and charities and how to gain income for life. The workshop will be presented by Clete Schrxck, Everence Financial Advisor. Reserve your spot by Aug. 17. Contact Ken Sxms at or ken.sims@everence.com.\*

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West Liberty United Methodist Church is once again offering Grief Support through **Griefshare**—a 13 week seminar and support group designed to help you rebuild life after losing a loved one—offering help, encouragement and hope. See the details in the foyer.\*

\*More information on the bulletin board.

## PRAYER & PRAISE NOTES

- Dave and Michelle Lxnk have a new grandchild! Helen Michelle was born to Lila and Jason Anane-Safxh on Michelle’s birthday, August 3<sup>rd</sup>.
- New Path Center asks that we pray for their young moms to see how God has richly provided for them in Christ and through this ministry. Pray that they would surrender to the LORD and “take up their cross and follow Jesus.”
- Continue to pray for Karen Kxng as she recovers from brain surgery. She is home and recuperating well.
- Pray for Bill and Eleanor Shumakxr as they treat Bill’s recent medical issues.
- Remember Doug and Alex Steinxr as they travel home from Africa this week.
- Pray for guidance, wisdom and strength for our congregational leaders—Elders, Pastors, Gifts Discernment and Pastor Search Committee.