

Bethel Mennonite Church

“Serving Jesus, Loving Others”

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LAST WEEK

Sunday School 36

Worship Attendance 43

*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: Carl & Elaine Newcomxr

Next Week: Ed & Kim Lehmxn

SOUND OPERATOR:

Today: Lori Lehmxn

Next Week: Larry Evxns

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Elders: Elaine Newcomxr, Dick Lindemxr, Carol Bxck, Byron Kauffmxn,
Doug Steinxr

Pastoral Care Team: Mark Thomxs, Barb Kauffmxn, Dick Lindemxr,
Carl Newcomxr, Michelle Lxnk, Cheryl Shxnk, Chuck Swxrtz

We gather to worship

Announcements

Elaine Newcomxr

Lighting the Peace Lamp

Cindy Kauffmxn

Make sure no one returns evil for evil, but always pursue what is good as it affects one another in the church but also all people.

1 Thessalonians 5:15(The Voice)

Welcome

Elaine Newcomxr

Call to Worship

Prelude

Bill Barrxtt

Isaiah 42:1, 5-9

Elaine Newcomxr

We offer our praises

Congregational Singing

Bill Barrxtt & Praise Team

Affirmation of Faith (see insert)

Offerings & Offertory

Ellen Steinxr

Congregational Singing

Byron Kauffmxn

We hear God’s Word

Scripture Reading: I Peter 2:9-12 & Luke 19:1-10

Message: “Open Windows for God’s Healing to Flow Through”

Rebecca Kauffmxn

We respond to Christ’s Invitation

Song of response

Sharing: reflections on the scripture, joys, requests, thanksgivings

Intercessory Prayer

Rebecca Kauffmxn

We go to love and serve

Sending Song

Byron Kauffmxn

Benediction

THIS WEEK

TODAY

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School

10:40 a.m. – Worship. Speaker, Rebecca Kauffmxn

TUESDAY

3:30 – 5:00 p.m. – Homework Help

WEDNESDAY

Noon – Peace & Justice Lunch

5:30 p.m. – Stewardship Ministry

7:00 p.m. – Worship Ministry

THURSDAY

3:30 – 5:00 p.m. – Homework Help

NEXT SUNDAY

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School

10:40 a.m. – Speaker, Rebecca Kauffmxn

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bethel Student Aid Fund. Pledge forms for the 2019-20 school year are on a table in the foyer. The forms need to be returned to Mary Newcomxr **today**, Feb. 24th.*

Directory correction:

Birthday Potluck will be on *March 10th* rather than the previously announced date. The celebration is for people whose birthdays are in the months of December, August, July and April. Dessert will be provided.

BIBLE QUIZZING INVITATIONAL! March 15-17. Host forms are available in foyer. Thanks for your support! Call Dena Hostetlrx

Would you like to go to **LaComedia Dinner Theatre** to enjoy "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat" and a great buffet dinner on March 17? Make your reservation with Art Newcomxr by *March 3*. Ticket prices are \$39.00 to \$44.00 each, depending on the section available. Requires a group of 20 or more. (We have 9 reservations as of 2-22-19).

From Mennonite Mission Network. Thank you, Bethel Mennonite Church, for giving \$10,550.00 to Mennonite Mission Network in 2018! Your donations, prayers and enthusiastic participation play a vital role in our global church. You help us respond to diverse ministry invitations from partners around the world to nurture education and leadership development.

Cindy Kauffmxn's radio program of a variety of music is up and running again on Sundays and Wednesdays at 6-8p.m. and Saturday at 1-4p.m. To listen go to www.djjon.rocks. At the bottom of the page, click on LISTEN. On the next page click PLAY.

Cindy invites you to her place for a meal. She is available any noon or evening except Saturday, Sunday, or Wednesday. Sign up in the foyer.*

The **Sunday School quarterlies** and teachers' editions for the March-April-May quarter are on a table in the foyer. Help yourself.*

Voices of Conscience is an exhibit at Bluffton University library February 17 – March 31. The exhibit is focused around the stories of conscientious objectors to war during World War I. Along with the exhibit is a series of programs. The poster on the bulletin board provides details. *

*More information in the foyer.

PRAYER & PRAISE NOTES

- Praise for answered prayer for the family Chuck Swartz mentioned. Pray that God would continue to work in their lives.
- Pray for Cindy's brother, Tim and his mother, Shirley who is dealing with health issues.
- Pray for places in the world that are experiencing unrest. Venezuela, Haiti, Syria and others.
- Pastors and congregational leaders will gather this week at AMBS (Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary) for Pastors and Leaders 2019, "Loving Our Neighbors in Tense Times." Pray for a time of refreshment and learning.