

## PRAYER & PRAISE NOTES

- Thank you for your prayers on behalf of Carole & Bill's son Jim, who fainted at work last week. He was able to go home from the hospital the next day. Pray for sustained health.
- Continue to support Chuck and Jeanie with prayer as he fights pneumonia. Give thanks for good care at Riverside hospital, and for several family members who are able to visit. May God's healing power be upon Chuck's body, and the presence of Christ sustain their spirits.
- Pray for strength and peace for John and Sabrena Haynxs, friends of Christy and Roger Headxngs. John has learned that his aggressive brain cancer has returned.
- Pray for Mary Psollx's brother, Paul Wolbxr as he faces stage 4 cancer.
- Tesa Jordxn requests prayer for her brother, Tom Brennemxn who lives in Oregon. Tom has been diagnosed with stage 4 kidney cancer. Pray for strength and comfort for Tom and his wife, Dorothy as he receives treatment.
- Vacation Bible School will be June 10-14 this summer. Pray that God will send children to us who need to hear the teachings, and provide staff with energy and joy.
- South Africa's presidential election is scheduled to take place on Wednesday. Pray for Mennonite Mission Network staff as they work with Oscar Siwalx and Southern African Development and Reconstruction Agency Conflict Transformation to minimize violence and monitor the elections.

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# Bethel Mennonite Church

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## **We gather to worship**

Announcements

## Lighting the Peace Lamp

Work at living in peace with everyone, and work at living a holy life, for those who are not holy will not see the Lord. Look after each other so that none of you fails to receive the grace of God. Watch out that no poisonous root of bitterness grows up to trouble you, corrupting many. Hebrews 12:14-15 NLT

Welcome

Prelude

## **We offer our praises & gifts**

Congregational singing

Scripture of praise - Revelation 5: 11-14

Offering & offertory

Congregational singing

## **We hear God's Word**

Scripture: Acts 9: 1-9

Message: "A light from heaven"

## **We respond to Christ's invitation**

Song of response

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

Intercessory prayer

## **We go to love and serve**

Sending song

Benediction

## THIS WEEK

### TODAY

**9:30 a.m.** – Sunday School

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

### TUESDAY

**9:15 a.m.** – Women’s Bible Study

### WEDNESDAY

**Noon** – Peace and Justice Lunch

### THURSDAY

**7:00 p.m.** – Elder Leadership Team meeting

### NEXT SUNDAY

**9:30 a.m.** – Sunday School

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

**PASTORAL CARE THIS WEEK:** Barb Kauffmxn

## LAST WEEK

Sunday School 42

Worship Attendance 41

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

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Congratulations to our college graduates! Michael Lehmxn’s graduation is this weekend from Bluffton University and Alex Steinxr’s was last Sunday from Goshen College.

Carmen Lianxz, our housekeeper, will be moving from the area in about a month. We are grateful for the service Carmen has given the church in cleaning and taking care of our facility. The trustees will need to find someone to clean the church. If you have suggestions, contact Chuck Bxck, Ken Shxnk or Carl Newcomxr.

May birthday corrections

May 14 – Miles Hostetlrx

May 28 – Mary K. Kxng

May 31 – Andrew Bloxnt

May is National Foster Care Month, and to celebrate the momentous work of providing a safe and loving home to Ohio’s foster children, Adriel has launched our “May Every Child Feel Safe and Loved” giving campaign! For stories of foster care and an opportunity to give, go to <https://adriel.networkforgood.com>.

### **OUR THANKS TO THOSE WHO SERVE**

**This Week – May 5**

**Worship leader:** Kim Lehmxn

**Musicians:** Bill Barrxtt, Ellen Steinxr  
Janet Wilkxns, Andrew Bloxnt

**Speaker:** Rebecca Kauffmxn

**Greeters:** Dave & Michelle Lxnk

**Sound/media:** Larry Evxns

**Prelude:** Worship Team

**Offertory:** Bill Barrxtt

**Peace Lamp:** Cindy Kauffmxn

**Next Week – May 12**

**Worship leader:** Chuck Bxck

**Musicians:** Bill Barrxtt, Ellen Steinxr,  
Janet Wilkxns

**Speaker:** Rebecca Kauffmxn

**Greeters:** Dave & Michelle Lxnk

**Sound/media:** Ken Shxnk

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