

PRAYER & PRAISE NOTES

- Pray for God's hand of comfort to be upon those who are experiencing grief and loss. Pray for those you know who struggle with health concerns. May Christ's power bring physical, emotional, and spiritual healing.
- Dereck Klopfenstexn, son of Doug and Janette Yodxr, was involved in a bicycle/car accident on Thursday evening. As the bicyclist, Dereck suffered severe head injuries. Pray for Dereck, Doug and Janette who cut short a trip to Alaska, Dereck's children and his brothers and their families.
- Cindy asks that we pray for the family of Heather Cxx who was killed in a car accident earlier this week. Heather's 8 year old son was also in the car and survived.
- This week the Women Serving In Love group will be collecting and assembling school kits for MCC. Praise God for the time, love, & generosity of these women and all who contribute. Pray a blessing on the children around the world, in places such as Jordan, Iraq, Ukraine, Somalia, Burkina Faso, that the kits they receive would bring stability and hope to their lives.
- Give thanks and ask God's blessing on the 50 adult food bags that were assembled from the supplies brought in to Bethel. These are ready to be distributed to immigrant families who are traveling through Ohio. Pray for God's protection over the people who receive the food. May the Holy Spirit teach us to act with compassion, justice, and wisdom toward all our neighbors.
- Pray for the Church in Burkina Faso (as Jean-Paul T. shared about last week), that they may be courageous, loving and just in the face of persecution. May God strengthen their faith in Christ who is peace, and bless their witness.

Bethel Mennonite Church 465-4587
P.O. Box 549, 416 Washington Street www.bethelchurchwl.org
West Liberty, OH 43357

Pastor: Rebecca Kauffmxn (Rebecca@bethelchurchwl.org)

Office hours: T & F 9:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m.,
W & Th 1:00-5:00 p.m. or by appointment

Administrative Assistant: Miriam Lxpp (secretary@bethelchurchwl.org)

Office Hours: W and F 9:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

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

Bethel Mennonite Church

"Serving Jesus, Loving Others"

Vol. 61

August 11, 2019

No. 32

We gather to worship

Announcements

Lighting the Peace Lamp

You will keep in perfect peace

all who trust in you,

all whose thoughts are fixed on you!

Isaiah 26:3 NLT

Welcome

Prelude

We offer our praises & gifts

Congregational singing

Old Testament reading: Psalms 34:1-14

Offering & offertory

Congregational singing

We hear God's Word

Scripture: Ephesians 5:3-21

Message: Walk as children of light!

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

This **Sunday evening at 6:00 p.m.** join the *West Central Ohio Community Band* for their final concert of the season in front of Mac-a-Cheek castle. Come early and tour the castles then claim your spot on the lawn. Bill Barrxtt, director.

Women Serving in Love. Hostesses Tuesday are Mary P. and Kyle. Bring a salad for the salad buffet. Barb K. has a devotional on the topic of self-control. The month's project is school kits.

Birthday Potluck. Those who have birthdays during the months of May, October, March and January (and their spouses) are invited to celebrate their birthdays together next Sunday noon, August 18th. Bring a dish to share. Dessert will be provided.

The "Bethel Annual Picnic" will take the form of a **Brunch** at Bethel on Sunday August 25th. We suggest everyone be there and ready to eat by 10:00 AM. It is our hope that we can eat together, get cleaned up and all be ready for an 11:00 AM service in the Fellowship room. Bring Breakfast casseroles, salads and fruits to share.

Save the date! August 25, following brunch and worship in the fellowship room, there will be a **congregational meeting**. This is an opportunity to hear information and have Q&A on the proposal to upgrade to the elevator. Other agenda may be added. Your participation is valued!

Sunday morning greeters needed. There are greeting opportunities remaining in 2019 in September, November and December. 2020 is wide open! Sign up on the bulletin board in the foyer.*

MCC Thrift Shop needs **volunteers** to run the cash register. This position is every other week on Monday or Friday mornings 10-1:30, and on every other Thursday afternoon 1:30 to 5:00. When you volunteer at MCC Thrift Shop it is a gift to the world and a way to be a missionary at home.

MCC Great Lakes is offering a training opportunity, **Doctrine of Discovery**, August 25-27 for individuals to explore and engage with the legacy of colonialism and understand the intersecting history between Native people and European settlers. The training is open to all who are interested in the ongoing work of education and awareness-raising on these issues. For more information and registration, visit mcc.org/gl-dod or contact Kelly Shenk Koxntz at kellyshenkkoontz@mcc.org.*

Vendors' Breakfast, August 30th. Volunteers are needed to help serve and /or clean up. If you are able to help, PLEASE sign the sheet on the bulletin board as soon as possible or talk to Kim.*

September is Bethel's month to serve at **West Liberty Cares**. Please sign up on the bulletin board if you are willing to help.*

*More information in the foyer

THIS WEEK

TODAY

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School

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

6:00 p.m. –Community Band Concert at Mac-a-Cheek castle

TUESDAY

9:00 a.m. – Women Serving in Love

SATURDAY

8:00 a.m. – Men's Breakfast

NEXT SUNDAY

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School

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

Noon – Birthday Potluck

PASTORAL CARE THIS WEEK: Dick Lindemxr

LAST WEEK

Sunday School 39

Worship Attendance 58

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

OUR THANKS TO THOSE WHO SERVE

This Week – August 11

Worship leader: Dick Lindemxr

Musicians: Bill Barrxtt, Janet Wilkxns,
Ellen Steinxr

Speaker: Rebecca Kauffmxn

Greeters: Carl & Elaine Newcomxr

Sound/media: Mark Kauffmxn

Prelude: Bill Barrxtt

Offertory: Ellen Steinxr

Peace Lamp: Cindy Kauffmxn

Next Week – August 18

Worship leader: Kathy Lehmrxn

Musicians: Janet Wilkxns, Bill
Barrxtt

Speaker: Rebecca Kauffmxn

Greeters: Mark & Polly Thomxs

Sound/media: Ken Shxnk

Prelude: Kathy Grabxr

Offertory: Bill Barrxtt

Peace Lamp: