

PRAYER & PRAISE NOTES

- Pray for God's hand of comfort to be upon those who are experiencing grief and loss.
- Continue to pray for Mary N. and Jeanie S. as they recover from recent surgeries and have physical therapy. Pray for others you know who struggle with health concerns. Give thanks for God's healing thus far, and may Christ's power bring hope and strength.
- This Thursday evening, Bethel's Elders and the chairs of the 5 Ministries will meet together. Pray for grace in our conversation, creativity and wisdom in our thinking, and for God's leading in our discernment.
- Pray for Mennonite Church USA and agency leaders who give guidance to our life together and our shared witness to the God of peace and transformation.
- Mark and DeeDee Landxs and their 3 children began an assignment in La Mesa, Colombia, in June. Pray for them as they assist with English-language learning, sports, youth ministries, and other programs of the Mennonite church and school, *Colegio Americano Menno*.

Bethel Mennonite Church

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We gather to worship

Announcements

Lighting the Peace Lamp

But the wisdom from above is first of all pure. It is also peace loving, gentle at all times, and willing to yield to others. It is full of mercy and the fruit of good deeds. It shows no favoritism and is always sincere. And those who are peacemakers will plant seeds of peace and reap a harvest of righteousness.

James 3:17-18 (NLT)

Welcome

Prelude

We offer our praises & gifts

Congregational singing

Old Testament reading: Proverbs 3:1-7a (MSG)

Offering & offertory

Congregational singing

We hear God's Word

Scripture: Colossians 3:12-17 & 4:5-6

Message: People you meet along the way

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

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

New address for Rebecca & Andrew is 324 Pickrelltxwn Rd. Their home phone number stays the same. You can also reach Rebecca on her cell phone:

The effort to **aid immigrants** continues through TODAY, August 4. Place items for immigrant families traveling through Ohio in the box in the foyer. Designate money donations as “MCC/immigration kits.” *

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.

New Path Pregnancy Centers write: **We are so grateful** for your church’s participation in our 2019 Baby Bottle Campaign. We will never tire of seeing God’s grace, faithfulness and provision towards this precious ministry! God and faithful churches like yours are so good to us! Bethel donated \$191.81 to this effort.

ADRIEL Benefit Golf Scramble. September 9, 2019, 12:30 p.m. at Eagle Rock Golf Club, Defiance Ohio. See the bulletin board for details.*

MCC Great Lakes is excited to offer a unique training opportunity for individuals to explore and engage with the legacy of colonialism and understand the intersecting history between Native people and European settlers. This training will use the framework of the Doctrine of Discovery to explore the taking of land from Indigenous people, which led to the justification of the global slave trade. Led by Michelle Armstxr, Erica Littlewxlf, and Karin Kaufmxn Wall from MCC Central States, the training is open to all who are interested in the ongoing work of education and awareness-raising on these issues. It will be held August 25-27 in Elkhart area. The registration fee is \$50. For more information and registration, visit mcc.org/gl-dod or contact Kelly Shenk Koxntz

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

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.*

*More information in the foyer

THIS WEEK

TODAY

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School

10:40 a.m. – Worship. Speaker, Cheryl Shxnk

THURSDAY

6:00 p.m. – Joint Meeting, Ministry Chairs & Elders

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: Michelle Link (465-3423)

LAST WEEK

Sunday School 35

Worship Attendance 50

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

OUR THANKS TO THOSE WHO SERVE

This Week – August 4

Worship leader: Rebecca Kauffmxn

Musicians: Bill Barrxtt, Janet Wilkxns, Ellen Steinxr, Carl Newcomxr

Speaker: Cheryl Shxnk

Greeters: Carl & Elaine Newcomxr

Sound/media: Larry Evxns

Prelude: Team

Offertory: Bill Barrxtt

Peace Lamp: Cindy Kauffmxn

Next Week – August 11

Worship leader: Dick Lindemxr

Musicians: Ellen Steinxr, Janet Wilkxns, Bill Barrxtt

Speaker: Rebecca Kauffmxn

Greeters: Carl & Elaine Newcomxr

Sound/media: Mark Kauffmxn

Prelude: Bill Barrxtt

Offertory: Ellen Steinxr

Peace Lamp: Cindy Kauffmxn