

PRAYER & PRAISE NOTES

- Pray for strength for Mary Jean's friend, Nancy, who is receiving hospice care. Remember Chuck Bxck's mother as she recovers from hip surgery. Pray for others you know who are struggling with health concerns.
- September is suicide prevention month. Pray that a multiplying of compassion, understanding, hope, and companionship would reach those who feel lonely, ostracized, guilt-laden, or struggle with mental illness. Pray also for comfort for those who have lost a loved one to suicide. Make the decision to intervene when you witness bullying or other behaviors that tear people down. Encourage policy-makers to support and fund programs that contribute to mental and social wellness.
- Akiko and Ray xpp and their family are Mission Network workers who serve at Menno Village, and agricultural ministry of the Japanese Mennonite churches. Pray for them as they model creation care and justice in food systems.
- Deb Bylxx writes, "I am finishing up my work here for now and will leave for the States on Tuesday." Pray for safe travels for Deb as she prepares to spend a couple months furlough in the USA this fall.

Affirmation of faith - Psalm 119:57-64

I have resolved, O Lord,
that my part is to obey your word.

*With all my heart I implore your favor;
show the mercy of your promise.*

I have pondered over my ways and returned to your will.

I made haste and did not delay to obey your commands.

Though the nets of the wicked ensnared me

I remembered your law.

*At midnight I will rise and thank you
for your just decrees.*

I am a friend of all who revere you,
of those who obey your precepts.

Lord, your love fills the earth.

Teach me your statutes.

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We gather to worship

Announcements

Lighting the Peace Lamp

Because the kingdom of God is not about eating and drinking. *When God reigns, the order of the day is* redeeming justice, true peace, and joy made possible by the Holy Spirit. Join us, and pursue a life that creates peace and builds up our brothers and sisters. Romans 14:17 & 19 (VOICE)

Welcome

Prelude

We offer our praises & gifts

Congregational singing

Affirmation of faith: Psalm 119:57-64 (on back)

Offering & offertory

Congregational singing

We hear God's Word

Scripture: Deuteronomy 4:1-14

Message: Neither add nor subtract?

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Our speaker today, is **Lynn Millxr**. Lynn is former pastor of South Union Mennonite Church; he is an author and speaker, and has hiked on the Camino de Santiago several times.

Rebecca plans to take some **vacation time** and will be away Thursday-Tuesday, Sept. 26-Oct. 1. For urgent needs contact Cheryl or Miriam.

Thank you for all your cards, visits, and prayers during the time of Wilfred's illness and death. We appreciate everything you did for us.
~Hilda, Arnita, and Melinda

Thank you notes from the Yoder and Thornburg families are on the bulletin board.*

Oak Grove is planning an evening of **hymn singing** on October 6th at 6pm. All the area Mennonite churches are invited to participate.

Save the date: October 20.
Congregational Annual Meeting at 1:00 p.m. following lunch.

THIS WEEK

TODAY

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School

10:40 a.m. – Worship. Speaker, Lynn Millxr

TUESDAY

9:15 a.m. – Women's Bible Study

FRIDAY

1:00 p.m. – Pastoral Care Team

SATURDAY

8:00 a.m. – Men's Breakfast

NEXT SUNDAY

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School

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

6:00 p.m. – Oak Grove hymn sing

PASTORAL CARE THIS WEEK: Carl Newcomxr

LAST WEEK

Sunday School

Worship Attendance 41

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

OUR THANKS TO THOSE WHO SERVE

This Week – September 29

Worship leader: Kim Lehmxn

Musicians: Bill Barrxtt, Janet Wilkxns
Ellen Steinxr

Speaker: Lynn Millexr

Greeters: Bill & Carole Barrxtt

Sound/media: Ken Shxnk

Prelude: Kathy Grabxr

Offertory: Bill Barrxtt

Peace Lamp: Cindy Kauffmxn

Next Week – October 6

Worship leader: Ken Shxnk

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

Speaker: Rebecca Kauffmxn

Greeters: Dick & Nellie Lindemxr

Sound/media: Andrew Bloxnt

Prelude: Worship Team

Offertory: Bill Barrxtt

Peace Lamp: Cindy Kauffmxn

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