

PRAYER & PRAISE NOTES

- Bethel's Homework Help program is scheduled to begin Oct 29. Pray for Elaine as she does preparatory work, and that the students who could benefit from this help would be able to participate.
- Remember Bob and Mary P, and their family, in your prayers as they walk together with his illness. Continue to hold in prayer those who have experienced the death of a loved one.
- Be in prayer for our congregational business meeting, that the wisdom of the Holy Spirit would guide our conversation and decision-making. Give thanks and pray for Bethel members who lead and participate in our ministry teams.
- As work continues to replace Bethel's roofing, give thanks to God for providing the resources for this renovation project, and pray for the safety of the workers. Pray for openness to how the Spirit might want to renovate and renew our hearts and relationships (with God, each other, and creation).
- A federal election will take place in Canada tomorrow, Oct. 21. Pray that respectful dialogue and a willingness to work for the good of all will prevail, no matter the outcome. Pray that God's Spirit would move among all people to build understanding and find common ground.
- Ohio Conference pastors, delegates, and constituents will gather in four regions to share stories of God's work in our midst, to hear about conference activities, and get to know one another. Give thanks and pray for the work of conference staff, and our sister congregations.

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We gather to worship

Announcements

Lighting the Peace Lamp

Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest.

Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.

For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light. Matthew 11:28-30

Welcome

Prelude

We offer our praises & gifts

Congregational singing

Old Testament reading: Psalm 23

Offering & offertory

Congregational singing

We hear God's Word

Scripture: James 5:13-16 (H #857)

Message: Oil to heal, bless, empower

We respond to Christ's invitation

Anointing with oil

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

Intercessory prayer

We go to love and serve

Sending song

Benediction

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today's worship will center around the practice of anointing, and will include an opportunity for anyone who wishes to be anointed with oil. **Anointing** is a ritual that seeks to communicate God's loving presence - to heal, bless, or commission someone.

Today, October 20, there will be a **fellowship meal** followed by the **Annual Business Meeting**. Come join the conversation as we reflect on the past and look to the future. There will be discussion and congregational action regarding Potter's House and also the possible building project.

Next Sunday noon, October 27, there is a **Birthday Potluck meal** for those with birthdays in the months of November, June, September, and February. Dessert will be furnished.

October 22, 6:30-8:00 pm - **Ohio Conference Regional Gathering** at Huber Mennonite Church. This gathering, for delegates *and anyone else*, is an opportunity for fellowship, sharing stories, and learning about the exciting things going on in our sister congregations and across the Conference. Let Rebecca know if you are interested in attending.

Please submit items for the November calendar to the church office by Wednesday, October 23. Thank you.

Everence Financial will present an informative **Charitable Giving seminar** on Sunday, October 27, at 11:00 a.m. The presentation will cover how people can maximize their giving to family, church and charities while minimizing taxes. The seminar will be presented by Chandler Inglx, Financial Consultant, and will take place at Columbus Mennonite Church, 35 Oakland Park Avenue, Columbus, OH. Light refreshments will be served. For more information or to reserve your spot, contact Ken Sxms at or ken.sims@everence.com.

Want to know more about what's going on beyond our borders (and on our border)? Mennonite Central Committee's website provides information and lots of stories told from the perspective of MCC workers and partners "on the ground" in places such as Gaza, Kenya, Congo, Syria, Columbia, and also within the USA. The website also offers suggestions of ways to contribute or advocate on behalf of those in need. www.mcc.org - check it out!

THIS WEEK

TODAY

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School

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

Noon – Fellowship meal followed by Annual Business Meeting

TUESDAY

6:30-8:00 p.m. – Ohio Conference Regional gathering at Huber Mennonite Church

WEDNESDAY

4:15 p.m. – Our Daily Bread

NEXT SUNDAY

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School

10:40 a.m. – Worship, theme: Anabaptist perspective on death and resurrection. Speaker, Rebecca Kauffmxn

Noon – Birthday Potluck

PASTORAL CARE THIS WEEK: Michelle Lxnk

LAST WEEK

Sunday School 31

Worship Attendance 51

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

OUR THANKS TO THOSE WHO SERVE

This Week – October 20

Worship leader: Kathy Lehmxn

Musicians: Bill Barrxtt, Janet Wilkxns, Ellen Steinrx

Speaker: Rebecca Kauffmxn

Greeters: Byron & Barb Kauffmxn

Sound/media: Ken Shxnk

Prelude: Ellen Steinrx

Offertory: Bill Barrxtt

Peace Lamp: Cindy Kauffmxn

Next Week – October 27

Worship leader: Ellen Steinrx

Musicians: JanetWilxns, Bill Barrxtt, Byron Kauffmxn

Speaker: Rebecca Kauffmxn

Greeters: Byron & Barb Kauffmxn

Sound/media: Lori Lehmxn

Prelude: Kathy Grabrx

Offertory: Bill Barrxtt

Peace Lamp: Cindy Kauffmxn