

PRAYER & PRAISE NOTES

- Holy Spirit, help us grow in spiritual maturity, and grant us wisdom and courage to use our words, our presence and power to promote shalom for all people.
- Pray for Mike Robxrts and his extended family, and all who are grieving the death of a loved one. May they experience comfort and eternal hope through the Holy Spirit.
- Pray for healing mercies upon Carl Coxts and his family (friends of Mary Jean H) as he begins chemo to treat an aggressive cancer.
- Continue to pray for God's sustaining love to touch those with health struggles including: Lee J., Justin Willxtts, Sam P., Bill B., Ruth Y. and others you know.
- Praise God and ask God's blessing on the ministry of Our Daily Bread in Bellefontaine.
- Pray for Camp Luz and other Mennonite camp and retreat centers as their summer camp programs begin. Many camps were hard-hit last year due to limitations from the pandemic. Pray for God's love and energy to flow through the full-time and summer staff, so that campers can experience God's beautiful world and Christ's awesome love for them.
- On this Father's Day, ask God's blessing of grace and wisdom upon fathers around the world. Pray especially for those who struggle to provide life's necessities for their children. Give thanks for men who model Christian leadership, righteousness, love and generosity.

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Announcements

Lighting the Peace Lamp:

Now may the Lord of peace himself give you peace
at all times and in every way. The Lord be with all of you.

II Thessalonians 3:16 (NIV)

Prelude

Welcome

Gathering song: Wonderful, merciful Savior – folder #22

Offering and prayer

Praying with the Psalms: Psalm 77:4, 6-9, 11-15

You withheld sleep from my eyes. I was troubled, I could not speak.

At night I mused within my heart.

I pondered and my spirit questioned.

"Will the Lord reject us forever and no longer show favor to us?"

Has God's love vanished forever?

Has God's promise come to an end?

Will God forget to be gracious, or in anger withhold compassion?"

I will remember the deeds of the Lord, his wonders of old;

I will meditate on all your works and ponder your mighty deeds.

Your ways, O God, are holy. What god is so great as our God?

You are the God who works wonders.

You showed your power among the peoples.

**Your strong arm redeemed your people,
the children of Jacob and Joseph.**

Hymn: Come, bring your burdens to God – SS #50

Scripture: Genesis 41:1-16, 25-30, 33-42

Message: Dungeons, dreams, & being ready for God to act

Song of response: We are often tossed and driv'n – SS #72

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

Sending hymn: Nothing is lost on the breath of God – SS #121

Benediction

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday school classes meet from 9:30 - 10:00 am. See the bulletin board for a list of classes.

Today is the final day of the **Baby Bottle Campaign**. Place your spare change in the large container in the foyer and return any baby bottles you took home.

Miriam will be in the church office on Thursday afternoon and Friday all day this week. Bulletin announcements are due Friday morning by 10:00 am, as usual. Thanks.

The Pastoral Care Team extends its sincere thanks to Michelle Lxnk for her compassionate service on the Team over the recent years. She has stepped down from that role now. We welcome Mary Jean Hxrn as a new member of the Team and appreciate the caring she will offer to those in our congregation.

Bethel's Student Aid committee recently decided to contribute \$10,000 from our **Student Aid Fund** to the Mennonite Education Agency's "Hispanic Ministries programs" which experienced a shortfall in the past year.

Karla Kauffmxn has been leading an **art camp** for local elementary children focused on endangered species. The students have made plywood art pieces of their chosen Endangered Species with help from artist, Sam Bartlxtt. You're invited to a community party to see the art on Friday, July 2 at 6:30 p.m. at Jubilee Mennonite Church. **Come meet the artists** and hear the stories of their species! (see bulletin board)

Over the past two weeks, the number of covid-19 cases in our area has decreased, for which we give thanks! In light of that data, wearing a mask when we gather is optional. Those who feel more comfortable wearing a mask are certainly welcome to do so. We will hold off on singing for now, and continue to evaluate with the idea that if numbers remain low we can sing in the near future. It's important to continue to be sensitive to the personal space of others, and to remain at home if

you are sick or you've been exposed to someone who may have covid-19. Thank you for your perseverance! -Carol B, Ken S, Rebecca K.

THIS WEEK

TODAY

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School

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

TUESDAY

11:00 a.m. – Gifts Discernment Committee

5:15 p.m. – Dedication Planning Committee

WEDNESDAY

4:00 p.m. - Our Daily Bread

THURSDAY

12:30 p.m. – Peace & Justice Lunch

NEXT SUNDAY

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School

10:10 a.m. – Worship. Speaker, Rebecca Kauffmxn. Genesis 45.

2:30 p.m. – Green Hills worship service (virtual)

PASTORAL CARE THIS WEEK: Mary Jean Hxrn

LAST WEEK

Worship attendance: 40

Sunday School: 22

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

OUR THANKS TO THOSE WHO SERVE

This Week – June 20

Worship leader: Kyle Van Osdxl

Music leader: Janet Wilkxns

Speaker: Rebecca Kauffmxn

Greeter: Carl & Elaine Newcomxr

Sound: Ken Shxnk

Media: Andrew Bloxnt

Prelude: Carl Newcomxr

Next Week – June 27

Worship leader: Barb Kauffmxn

Music leader: Byron Kauffmxn

Speaker: Rebecca Kauffmxn

Greeters: Janet Wilkxns

Sound: Lori Lehmxn

Media: Andrew Bloxnt

Prelude: Byron Kauffmxn