LAST WEEK

Sunday School 58 Worship Attendance 83

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

OUR THANKS TO

PASTORAL CARE THIS WEEK: Barb Landes

NURSERY:

Today: Elaine Newcomer Next week: Tara Sanford

GREETERS:

Today: Bill & Carole Barrett Next Week: Mary Kay King

& Sara Ellen Stoltzfus

SOUND OPERATOR:

Today: Brody Robinaugh Next week: Mark Kauffman

MEDIA OPERATOR:

Today: Savannah Hostetler Next week: Savannah Hostetler

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Through the Bible in a Year - Of Kings & Prophets VBS Sunday

Gathering

Call to Worship & Opening Prayer Prelude

Beth Maurer

Pat Yoder

Proclaiming

VBS Program – Message Received: Hearing God's Call

Overview Chuck Swartz Memory Verses Savannah Hostetler

Music Savannah, Becky & Team

Mission Project **Becky Wilkins** Drama "Listen, God is Calling!" Drama Team

Congregational Hymn SJ# 42 "Listen, God is calling"

Scripture – I Samuel 3:1-21

Meditation "Of Kings and Prophets: Samuel's Call"

Pastor Dave Maurer

Praising

With our offerings & Offertory With Hymns

Kathy Graber Byron Kauffman

Sharing

Of our joys, requests, thanksgivings & responses

Pastoral Prayer Pastor Dave

Sending

Benediction Pastor Dave

Sending hymn

Celebrating 125 Years

THIS WEEK

TODAY

9:30 a.m. — Sunday School w/ Joint SS on APEST

10:40 a.m. — Worship Service w/ VBS Sunday

2:30 p.m.—Green Hills Community Worship Service

7:30 p.m.—Community Movie Night

TUESDAY

12:00 p.m.—Peace & Justice Lunch

7:00 p.m.—MCUSA Delegate Listening

WEDNESDAY

7:00 p.m.—Youth Bible Study

THURSDAY

6:00 p.m. – Ministry of Worship

7:00 p.m.—JOICO

FRIDAY

7:00 p.m. — Dragon's Baseball Game Trip

SATURDAY

8:00 a.m.—Men's Breakfast

NEXT SUNDAY—Father's Day

9:30 a.m. — Sunday School w/ Joint SS on APEST

10:40 a.m. — Worship Service

LOOKING AHEAD

Summer is here! There's still time to register your kids for Camp Luz. Don't miss out on this opportunity to help your child grow in their faith in Jesus Christ! (and have a TON of fun) *Learn more at www.campluz.com*.

Deadline for the July Newsletter is June 20 Please get items in as early as possible. Also, please have as many announcements that you are aware of in advance to me by June 26 for the July 5th bulletin. Thank you! -Tesa

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) Great Lakes invites participants to join a learning tour to Palestine and Israel taking place November 9-21, 2015. For more information or to register, visit mcc.org/gl-israel or contact Eric at Eric Kurtz@mcc.org or 574-534-4133. **Registration is due by 6/15.**

HELP NEPAL: Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) requests donations to support its response to the earthquake that shook Nepal. Donations may be made through Bethel with "Nepal" on the memo line **through June 21st.**

Come join many healthcare workers from around the world! It's the Mennonite Healthcare Fellowship (MHF) Annual Gathering, July 19-21, 2015, immediately prior to Mennonite World Conference Global Assembly in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. The theme is "Walking Together for Healthy Communities." Plenary presenters include Ted & Company, Shane Claiborne, and Dr. Ann Thyle from India. For more information, go to www.mennohealth/gathering, email info@mennohealth.org, or call toll-free to 1-888-406-3643. Final registration deadline: June 28, 2015.

Through the Bible in a Year Reflection Questions: as we journey through the Bible this year, here are a few questions to reflect upon in your reading. More may be found at Pastor Dave's blog (http://thequest.blogspot.com/). A complete list of daily readings is available from the office. June 15-21:

- In 2 Kings 2: 1-18, the LORD sent Elijah to several places before he was taken up into heaven. Each time, he instructed Elisha to stay put but Elisha chose to follow. What was the significance of this?
- As Elijah and Elisha went from town to town, the prophets of the towns came to Elisha and asked if he knew that the LORD was going to take Elijah away that day. Elisha replied, "Yes, I know, so be quiet." Why did Elisha tell them all to be quiet?
- When Elijah crossed the Jordan, he rolled up his cloak and struck the water. The water parted and they crossed on dry ground. Where else have we read this in the history of the Israelites? What is the significance of their crossing the Jordan in this way?

PRAYER & PRAISE NOTES

- **Pray for Sarah Hxstetler** recovering at home from a recent hospital stay.
- **Pray for Bylee Knxx** an infant who had surgery this week. The surgery went well, but she has had setbacks since then and is in need of ongoing prayer for healing.
- Praise God for a wonderful year of learning and growing for Mission Network Service Adventure units. Pray for smooth transitions as participants return to home communities and to summer jobs, and, then, as they discern the next steps.
- **Pray for MC USA** as leaders and delegates prepare to meet for convention this summer.