

## LAST WEEK

Sunday School 41  
Worship Attendance 59

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

## OUR THANKS TO

**PASTORAL CARE THIS WEEK:** Carl Newcomer

### GREETERS:

**Today:** Carl & Elaine Newcomer      **Next Week:** Ed & Kim Lehman

### MEDIA OPERATOR:

**Today:** Annie Steiner      **Next week:** Lee Jordan

### SOUND OPERATOR:

**Today:** Brody Robinaugh      **Next week:** Lee Jordan

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# Bethel Mennonite Church

*"Jesus compels us to experience and extend  
the gracious rule of God by the power of the Holy Spirit."*

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### **Gathering**

Welcome & Call to Worship	Annie Steiner
Prelude	Pat Yoder
Psalm & Opening Prayer	
Gathering Choruses	Janet Wilkins and Team

### **Proclaiming**

Scripture – **Matthew 25:34-40**  
**Message** "Being an Accepting Church: Truly Seeing the Least of These"  
**Guest Speaker, Erin Dye**

### **Praising**

With our offerings & Offertory	Kathy Graber
With Hymns	Byron Kauffman

### **Sharing**

Of our joys, requests, thanksgivings & responses	
Pastoral Prayer	Barb Landes

### **Sending**

Benediction	Barb Landes
Sending hymn	

## THIS WEEK

### TODAY

9:30 a.m. —Sunday School

10:40 a.m. —Worship Service, with guest speaker, Erin Dye

### TUESDAY

9:00 a.m.—Mennonite Women

3:00 p.m.—Bethel Homework Help

### THURSDAY

3:00 p.m.—Bethel Homework Help Final Day & Program

7:00 p.m.—Ministry of Worship

7:00 p.m.—Elder Leadership Team

### SATURDAY

8:00 a.m.—Men's Breakfast

### NEXT SUNDAY

9:30 a.m. —Sunday School

10:40 a.m. —Worship Service, with guest speaker, Barb Evans

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**MCC Alumni & Friends Gathering:** As alumni or interested friends of Mennonite Central Committee, you are warmly invited to join us for an MCC Alumni and Friends International Potluck at 5:30 pm on Sunday, May 1, at Grace Mennonite Church, 502 E. Main Street in Pandora. Special guest speakers will be Ben & Beth Weisbrod, current MCC Area Directors for Central and West Africa. Please RSVP at 574-534-4133 or to [MatthewTschetter@mcc.org](mailto:MatthewTschetter@mcc.org).

**MCC Peace Gathering Workshops in Kidron Ohio** Saturday, April 16, 9am-5pm at Kidron Mennonite Church (3987 Co Hwy 52/Kidron Rd., Kidron, OH 44636).. Workshops on incarceration, conflict transformation education, immigration and racial profiling, followed by Q & A time with all the presenters. Lunch is provided. To RSVP, visit [mcc.org/gl-peace](http://mcc.org/gl-peace) or contact Jorge Vielman, Peace & Justice Coordinator, at 574-534-4133.

**The SWAP program is seeking summer staff** for 3 month assignments in KY and W VA. Job site coordinators utilize volunteer labor to accomplish quality home remodels/repairs, while meals coordinators plan balanced, nutritional meals for volunteers. Summer staff are a critical component of SWAP's successful ministry. For more information go to [swap.mcc.org](http://swap.mcc.org) or call Angela at 606-633-5065.

**MCC Borderlands Learning Tour:** Join (MCC) on a learning tour to bring awareness to the issues caused by the border wall along the Mexico/U.S. border. Participants will increase their understanding and knowledge of the social, economic, political and theological significance of migration in border communities, including advocacy tools and capacity building to engage others on borderlands and migration issues. The learning tour will take place on May 25-29 in Arizona and will include crossing the border into Mexico. Attendees will also have the option to participate in the Migrant Trail walk following the tour. For more information, visit [mcc.org/borderlands-tour](http://mcc.org/borderlands-tour) or call Jorge Vielman at (574) 534-4133.

**Job opening: Communications associate.** MC USA's Executive Board staff is seeking a 0.75 to 1.0 FTE Communications associate. Location: Elkhart, Indiana; Newton, Kansas; or dispersed. The person in this role will write and edit feature stories, news articles and content for social media posts, convention exhibits and other communications projects, highlighting stories and ministries from across the denomination. As an integral part of the Communications Team, the person in this role will work with the team on long-term vision, messaging and communications strategy. Applicants should have a bachelor's degree in communication, marketing, journalism or English, and be proficient in Microsoft Office applications and social media. For a complete job description, see [www.mennoniteusa.org/jobs](http://www.mennoniteusa.org/jobs).

**Soccer Camp** planning has begun! Please let Tesa know if you are willing to help coach or assist a coach for Bethel Soccer Camp this summer. Dates are July 25-28 from 6 – 8 pm. Alex Dye from Oak Grove has agreed to be our head coach this year. We also need a few volunteers to help with brochures at the end of the month, and a few days before camp with tagging shirts and balls.

## PRAYER & PRAISE NOTES

- **Please pray for Molly Thxrnburg**, who is rehabbing at Green Hills, after her recent hospital stay.
- **Please pray for Dan Rxsner**, recovering from gallbladder surgery.
- **Mennonite Mission Network's all-staff gathering begins tomorrow through Thursday.** Pray for safe travel to and from Wichita, Kansas, an openness to the leading of God's Spirit – for wise discernment in discussions and decisions – and for an atmosphere of collaboration.

**EMHS Choir Tour** will be here for a program Tuesday, April 12 at 7:00 p.m. We need housing volunteers for about a dozen or so students and adults. Please sign up in the lobby if you can host one or more on the tour.

**“Come join New Path Pregnancy Resource Centers in their Annual Walk4Life!!** We are coming TOGETHER FOR THE GOSPEL as two counties who love the message of LIFE!! Logan County will walk on Saturday, April 30 and Union County will walk on Saturday, May 7. Please visit our website ([www.newpathprc.com](http://www.newpathprc.com)) for more details and to register!

**Webinar: Greg Boyd on Anabaptism: Engaging Mauricio Chenlo on Mennonite Church Planting: Thursday, April 14, 2–3:30 p.m. EDT.** Boyd, senior pastor of Woodland Hills Church in St. Paul, Minnesota, and Chenlo, denominational minister of church planting for Mennonite Church USA, will discuss Neo-Anabaptist church planting efforts and innovative church planting in the Mennonite world. Learn more and register online by noon on April 13 at [www.ambs.edu/churchleadershipcenter/Webinars.cfm](http://www.ambs.edu/churchleadershipcenter/Webinars.cfm). Your first webinar is free if you register at least five days in advance. Successive webinars cost is \$20 (at least five days in advance) or \$30 (if less than five days in advance).

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**Mark your calendar! Audio Visual Booth Training on April 23<sup>rd</sup> at 10 a.m.** We have lost several of our regulars in the Tech booth, and will be losing more as graduates go off to college in the fall. If you want sound and media to continue at their current levels of quality, we need a few volunteers to learn how to run the equipment. Basic computer skills needed. Lee & Brody will introduce those willing to the basics and will train you over the summer. Please sign up in the lobby if you plan to attend this class. We need several volunteers so that nobody has to do more than a 1 week rotation each month in either sound or media. **THANK YOU!**

**Mennonite Women** meets Tuesday at 9:30 a.m. Chili Soup is the meal by Hostesses Christy, Janet B. & Doris. Last name initials X-Z bring dessert. Devotions: “Created to Create” by Susie and the project is newborn kits.

## **GUESS WHO’S COMING TO DINNER? Sunday, April 24, 2016 – 5:00 p.m.**

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The options for participating in this congregational fellowship night are as follows:

**Host/Hostess:** If you choose to host people in your home, you will provide a simple meal (soup, sandwiches, pizza or casserole) and dessert for your guests.

**Guest:** If you choose to be a guest, you will be advised that day of the home you will be visiting.

NAME(S) \_\_\_\_\_

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. I/we want to participate as a host.  
Can serve \_\_\_\_\_ people
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. I/we want to participate as a guest.  
Number of people in my group \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. I/we would be willing to be either a guest or host as necessary.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. I/we will not be able to participate.  
(It is important to let me know this, so I know you haven’t just forgotten.)

**RETURN THIS FORM TO MARY NEWCOMER NO LATER THAN SUNDAY, April 17. THANK YOU!**