

LAST WEEK

Sunday School Attendance 29

Worship Attendance 51

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

OUR THANKS TO THOSE WHO SERVE

PASTORAL CARE THIS WEEK: Barb Kauffmxn

GREETERS:

Today: Chuck and Carol Bxck **Next Week:** Chuck and Carol Bxck

MEDIA OPERATOR:

Today: unfilled **Next Week:** unfilled

SOUND OPERATOR:

Today: Larry Evxns **Next Week:** Larry Evxns

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Gathering – Led by Worship Leader

Barb Evxns

Announcements

Welcome & Call to Worship

Barb Evxns

Prelude

Ellen Steinxr

Psalm 150

Opening Prayer

Praising

Congregational Singing

Byron Kauffmxn

With our offerings & Offertory

Elaine Newcomxr

Prayer of Confession

O, God of Israel, Maker of heaven and earth,
I will trust you with my frailties, my strengths, my hope.
Your Presence in my life is the heart of my trust;
The strength of my whole being.

(Psalm by Sara Ellen Stoltzfxs)

Congregational Singing

Ellen Steinxr and Praise

Team

Proclaiming

Scripture Reading Hebrews 11

Message “Living by Faith ”

Marcia Kendxll

Sharing – Led by Pastoral Team

Pastor Chuck Swartz

Of our joys, requests, thanksgivings & responses

Pastoral Prayer

Sending

Sending song

Byron Kauffmxn

Benediction

Pastor Chuck Swartz

THIS WEEK

TODAY

9:30 a.m. – Worship with guest speaker, Marcia Kendxll at the church.
Noon – Church Picnic at the Ohio Caverns (in pavilion at the base of the hill)

WEDNESDAY

6:30 p.m. – Pastor Search committee meeting

FRIDAY

8:30-9:30 a.m. –Vendors' breakfast

SATURDAY-MONDAY

Sausage Booth at the Lions' Park -times vary

NEXT SUNDAY

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School. Back to regular classes.
10:40 a.m. – Worship. Speaker, Deb Bylxx will share about her upcoming work in Guatemala.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

TODAY. 9:30 a.m. We will worship together at the church at **9:30 a.m. with Marcia Kendxll** speaking. Immediately following the service we will have the Church Picnic at the Ohio Caverns at the base of the hill.

Vendors' Breakfast – 8:30-9:30 a.m. September 1. Come help serve the annual breakfast in the fellowship hall for Labor Day weekend ball park vendors. For more info talk to Kim Lehmxxn.

Sausage Booth – An opportunity to serve. Sign up to help with the Sausage Booth Labor Day Weekend, September 2-4.*

Get ready for West Liberty Cares at South Union. September is our month to serve. We need volunteers for Wednesdays – Sept. 6, 13, and 20. No volunteers needed Sept. 27 as Mobile Pantry Food Truck comes to United Methodist Church 202 W. Newell, WL 12:00 – 2:00 p.m.*

Women's Retreat at Camp Luz on September 15-17. Larissa Moorxx, speaker. For more information and to register go to campluz.com*

*More information is on the bulletin board in the foyer.

Women's Bible Study begins again this fall on September 5 at 9:15 am. The group meets the first and third Tuesdays of the month. We will be studying Colossians this year.

Men's Saturday morning breakfasts in September will be on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays due to Labor Day being on the first Saturday in September.

PRAAYER & PRAISE NOTES

- **Pray for the Holy Spirit's leading** in our Pastor Search that we find a pastor who's willing to invest in the congregation and community. Pray that the congregation would be open to work alongside the new pastor.
- **Pray for wisdom and unity** for the Gifts Discernment and Modification Team as the team plans modifications of our church leadership model. Pray hearts would be open to God's leading and that we can find unity and participate together to expand God's Kingdom.
- **Pray for students, teachers and staff** who are heading back to school and college this fall. May they feel God's presence and strength as they begin a new year of learning experiences.
- **Pray for healing** for Ray Swishxxr, friend of Mark and Polly Thomxxs. Ray has been hospitalized over the last week as a result of side effects from the radiation treatments. Please help pray him through three more weeks of treatments.
- **From Mennonite Mission Network:** Continue to join us in prayer for peace in our world, our nation, our communities, and our homes.
Spain – We're thankful that all of our workers and partners in Barcelona are safe after the attack Aug. 17 that killed people from 34 countries.
Congo – Last month you received an urgent prayer request for our brothers and sisters in Congo. Two people in Congo expressed verbal thanks for your prayers, saying they felt comfort in knowing that they were being remembered and held in God's presence. They also received new strength to continue the daily struggle for their own lives and the lives of their families and neighbors.

