

## LAST WEEK

Sunday School Attendance

Worship Attendance          63

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

## OUR THANKS TO THOSE WHO SERVE

**PASTORAL CARE THIS WEEK:** Sally Harshbargxr (465-0166)

### GREETERS:

**Today:** Chuck and Carol Bxck          **Next Week:** Dick and Nellie Lindemxr

### MEDIA OPERATOR:

**Today:** unfilled                                  **Next Week:** unfilled

### SOUND OPERATOR:

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

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Carl Newcomxr, Sally Harshbargxr and Chuck Swartz



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### Gathering – Led by Worship Leader

Donna Lehmxn

### Announcements

### Welcome & Call to Worship

Donna Lehmxn

### Prelude

Bill Barrxtt

### Psalm 40

### Opening Prayer

### Praising

### Congregational Singing

Praise Team

### With our offerings & Offertory

Ellen Steinxr

### Prayer – “A Prayer When the Waters are Rising”

see bulletin insert

### Congregational Singing

Bill Barrxtt

### Proclaiming

### Scripture Reading

Matthew 14:22-33

### Message – “Step Out in Faith ”

Deborah Bylxr

### Song – “It Is Well” by Kristine DiMarco,

performed by Gina Rosanovx and Paul Mutzabaxgh

### Sharing – Led by Pastoral Team

Pastor Chuck Swartz

Of our joys, requests, thanksgivings & responses

### Pastoral Prayer

### Sending

### Sending song

Bill Barrxtt

### Benediction

Pastor Chuck Swartz

## THIS WEEK

### TODAY

**9:30 a.m.** – Worship. Speaker, Deb Bylxx will share about her upcoming work in Guatemala. Deb's work will focus on the spiritual growth and leadership development among the women leaders in the Kekchi Mennonite Church. Welcome, Deb!

### SUNDAY-MONDAY

Sausage Booth at the Lions' Park -times vary

### TUESDAY

**9:15 a.m.** – Women's Bible Study

**Noon** – Peace and Justice Lunch

### WEDNESDAY

**12:00-2:00 p.m.** – West Liberty Cares

**7:00 p.m.** – Pastor & Elder Leadership Team meeting

### SATURDAY

**8:00 a.m.** – Men's Breakfast (Liberty Gathering Place)

### NEXT SUNDAY

**9:30 a.m.** – Sunday School.

**10:40 a.m.** – Worship with speaker, KJ Schrxck

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Hot and juicy sausage sandwiches!** Get your lunch today, breakfast or lunch on Monday at the Sausage Booth at Lion's Park

**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.

**West Liberty Cares** at South Union. September is our month to serve. We need volunteers for THIS WEEK Wednesday, Sept. 6 and Wednesday, Sept. 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.\*

**Men's Saturday morning breakfasts** at Liberty Gathering Place will be on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Saturdays in September.

**Adriel Benefit Golf Scramble.** September 11, 2017 at 12:30 p.m. at Eagle Rock Golf Club, Defiance, Ohio. \*

### **Women's activities in September:**

**Women's Retreat** at Camp Luz on September 15-17. Larissa Moxre, speaker. For more information and to register go to [camp luz.com](http://camp luz.com)\*

**West Liberty Church of God**, Annual Women's retreat. Monday, September 18. Dinner at 6:00 p.m. and program at 7:00 p.m. Speaker Rev. Debbie Vickxrs. \*

**Grace Chapel.** Revive Our Hearts 2017 Livestream. September 29 – 30.\*

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

## PRAYER & 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, staff and parents** as school and college begin again this fall. May they feel God's presence and strength as they start a new year of learning experiences.
- **Pray for healing** for Ray Swishxr, friend of Mark and Polly Thomxs. Please help pray him through several more weeks of treatments.
- **Our hearts and prayers go out to those in Texas** who are dealing with the devastation of Hurricane Harvey