LAST WEEK

Sunday School Attendance 33

Worship Attendance 58

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

OUR THANKS TO THOSE WHO SERVE

PASTORAL CARE THIS WEEK: Mark Thomxs

GREETERS:

Today: Carl & Elaine Newcomxr

Next Week: Ken & Jeanette Hosteltxr

SOUND OPERATOR:

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

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Carl Newcomxr, Sally Harshbargxr and Michelle Lxnk

Crisis Care: Chuck Swxrtz and Cheryl Shxnk



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Gathering – Led by Worship Leader Kim Lehmxn Welcome & Call to Worship Kim Lehmxn

Prelude Kathy Grabxr

Psalm 139: 1-6, 13-16 Opening Prayer

Praising

Congregational Singing Byron Kauffmxn

With our offerings & Offertory Bill Barrxtt

Affirmation of Faith See Insert

The Gideons International speaker Ross Yocxm

Congregational Singing Janet Wilkins and Praise Texm

Proclaiming

Scripture Reading Desiree Pxrdy

Message: "My Journey" Ashley Pxrdy

Sharing – **Led by Pastoral Team** Pastor Chuck Swxrtz

Of our joys, requests, thanksgivings & responses

Pastoral Prayer

Sending

Sending songByron Kauffmxn **Benediction**Pastor Chuck Swxrtz

THIS WEEK

TODAY

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School

10:40 a.m. – Worship. Ross Yocxm, Gideons International Ashely Pxrdy, speaker

Noon – Lunch provided. Rice and Beans.

2:30 p.m. - Green Hills service. Pastor Cheryl Shxnk, speaker

TUESDAY

9:30 a.m. – Women Serving in Love

3:20-5:00 p.m. – Bethel Homework Help

THURSDAY

3:20-5:00 p.m. – Bethel Homework Help

SATURDAY

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

NEXT SUNDAY

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School.

10:40 a.m. – Worship. Warren Bxnks, speaking.

Noon – Lunch provided. Our Daily Bread menu.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today. Bethel will be conducting the 2:30 p.m. Worship Service at **Green Hills.** Join our friends in worship this afternoon.

November Missions Month. Earmark above budget **giving for missions** during November. MDS, Gideon's and Gracehaven will be receiving the money from these designated offerings. Warren Bxnks will be speaking to us next Sunday morning. The provided lunch will be Our Daily Bread menu.

Tuesday. Women Serving in Love. Turkey/chicken soup will be served by hostesses Christy Headxngs and Barb Schxltz. Women with last name initials L-Y bring pumpkin or fall-type desserts. Devotions are by Mary Psxlla. The project for the month is hygiene kits.

Bethel Homework Help will begin November 14 and will be held Tuesday and Thursday afternoons from 3:20 until 5:00 p.m.

New address and phone number for Wanda Shumakxr. 6557 US68 South Apt.7, West Liberty, OH 43357

Phone: 650-7197

Please submit information for the **December calendar** to the church office by November 20th.

As a Peace and Justice group, we express our gratitude for the generous response to the two projects we offered: MCC's work in the Democratic Republic of Congo and MDS's intervention in various ways after devastating hurricanes in TX, FL, and Puerto Rico. You have shown compassion and hospitality "to the least of these."

PRAYER & PRAISE NOTES

- Pray for Molly Thornbxrg who was transferred from Mary Rutan to Green Hills.
- Please continue to pray for Susannah Wirick Moxre's and her daughter, Saxge. Saxge remains hospitalized in stable condition. Susie's address is
- Mary Newcomxr and Sally Harshbargxr are grateful that Nick Bxpst, their grandnephew, is now at home with an implanted defibrillator. He had been in the hospital for two weeks following a heart attack. Pray for Nick's transition back into his life.
- Pray for friends, Ray Swishxr, Rod Hagxr, and Keith Effinghxm (Chuck Grabxr's co-worker) who are dealing with cancer.
- Molly Kxng, Shirley Kxng's grandniece and Mary Ann Kxng's granddaughter, is out of the hospital and her blood sugar levels are under control. The family appreciates all the prayers offered on Molly's behalf. She had been in a lifethreatening condition.
- Remember Bethel friends who would like to be worshiping with us but aren't able to attend church on Sunday.
- Pray for the Bethel Homework Help volunteers as they nurture the students and for the students to be able to enhance their school work performance

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Leader: I will light a light in the name of the Maker,

People: who lit the world and breathed the breath of life for me.

Leader: I will light a light in the name of the Son.

People: who saved the world and stretched out his hand to me.

Leader: I will light a light in the name of the Spirit.

People: who encompasses the world and blesses my soul with yearning.

Leader: We will light three lights for the Trinity of love:

People: God above us,
God beside us,
God among us,
The Beginning,
The End,
The Everlasting One.

COMMUNITY NEWS

The West Liberty United Methodist Church will be hosting **GriefShare: Surviving the Holidays**—a one evening seminar for people facing the holidays after the loss of a loved one. This will be held on Friday, **November 17th, 2017 at 6:30 p.m.** at the Methodist church.

<u>Surviving the Holidays</u> is an evening designed to provide ways to navigate through the holidays and will give practical tips, words of strength and encouragement, and suggestions to help you face and survive the unique stresses of the holiday season. *

MCC Thrift Shop would like to announce a job vacancy starting in January. This position is an assistant manager job, and can be filled by either one full time or two part time candidates. The applicants must be self-motivated, highly energetic, able to lift up to 40 lbs, and willing to work two Saturdays a month. Please drop off your resume at MCC Thrift Shop by November 18th. If you have any questions, please contact Chuck Swxrtz, . Thank you.

The movie, *Let There Be Light*, will be playing at the **Gloria Theater** in Urbana on Friday, Nov. 17 at 7:30, Saturday Nov. 18 at 1:30, 4:30, and 7:30; Sunday 19th at 2:30 and 5:30. The Gloria tries to select inspirational movies to show.

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

Notes from the church office.

The **church website** is being reworked and updated. Things may be in new places. The bulletins are found under the **Resources** tab which is now at the top of the home page. If you have questions, just ask.

I am getting the **church directory** ready to publish for another year. To be sure that the information is up to date, I have placed the draft pages on a table outside the library.

Please your check information (and that of family members) for accuracy or needed updates. Make corrections and mark OK beside the entry when you have checked it. I will have the draft papers at sewing on Tuesday if you would rather check the information then.

Thank you, Miriam