LAST WEEK

Sunday School Attendance

Worship Attendance

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

OUR THANKS TO THOSE WHO SERVE

PASTORAL CARE THIS WEEK: Dick Lindemxr

<u>GREETERS:</u> Today: Ken & Jeanette Hostetlxr

Next Week: Paul & Linda Hostetlxr

SOUND OPERATOR:

Today: Larry Evxns

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Crisis Care: Chuck Swaxtz and Cheryl Shxnk



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<u>Gathering</u> – Led by Worship Leader Welcome & Call to Worship		Barb Evxns Barb Evxns
Prelude		Worship Team
Opening Praye	r	
<u>Praising</u> Congregational	Singing	Carl Newcomxr
With our offeri	ngs & Offertory	Elaine Newcomxr
Congregational	Singing	Bill and Praise Texm
<u>Proclaiming</u> Mission Momer	nt:	Nikolas Yodxr
Scripture Read	ing	Luke 7:36-39
Message: "Acts	of Appreciation"	Mike Sandlxn
<u>Sharing</u> – Led by Pastoral Care Team Of our joys, requests, thanksgivings & respon		Barb Kauffmxn
Pastoral Prayer	•	
<u>Sending</u> Sending song		Carl Newcomxr
Benediction		Barb Kauffmxn

THIS WEEK

TODAY

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School 10:40 a.m. – Worship. Mission Moment, Nikolas Yodxr. Speaker, Mike Sandlxn **TUESDAY** 3:20-5:00 p.m. – Bethel Homework Help 7:00p.m. – Leadership Meeting THURSDAY 3:20-5:00 p.m. – Bethel Homework Help FRIDAY 1:00 p.m. – Pastoral Care Team at Barb Kauffmxn's house **SATURDAY** 8:00 a.m. – Men's Breakfast. Liberty Gathering Place **NEXT SUNDAY** 9:30 a.m. – Sunday School. 10:40 a.m. - Worship. Communion. Pastor Cheryl Shxnk, speaker

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

I wish to thank my Bethel church family for the many cards, phone calls, visits and food given to me while I was recuperating from a broken shoulder. Your thoughtfulness and kindness was greatly appreciated. Shirley Kxng.

Many of you have updated your directory information. Thanks. Please your check information (and that of family members) for accuracy or needed updates. The papers are on the table in the hall. Make corrections and mark OK beside the entry when you have checked it **today**. Thank you. Mirixm

The Christmas Walk, "A Live Nativity Adventure." December 8th and 9th from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. at Mechanicsburg Christian Fellowship. Admission Free - No reservations needed - A walk will go out every 15 minutes between 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Please add to your December Bethel calendar: **Christmas Breakfast**. **December 24th**, 9:00 – 10:30 a.m. Worship at 10:40 a.m.

You will find alternative and/or additional Christmas gift giving opportunities/suggestions listed in a variety of catalogues in the foyer:

...Mennonite Economic Development Associates (MEDA

- ...Food Resources Bank (FRB)
- ...Mennonite Central Committee (MCC)
- ...Heifer International
- ...World Vision

There are so many persons suffering in so many places. These organizations are working in various ways to care for them. "Honor your friends and family with gifts that change lives…and bring HOPE." *

Most people approaching retirement age have questions about Medicare. An upcoming **webinar presented by Everence** Financial will provide answers. *Medicare made easy* will be presented on Monday, Dec. 11, at 3 and 8:30 p.m. Specific topics will include Medicare plans, eligibility, deadlines and costs plus enrollment details. The webinar will be presented by Jim Smxth, Everence Financial Services Representative. To register, visit <u>everence.com/MedicareMadeEasy</u> or contact Melissa Shxrt at *More information in the foyer.

PRAYER & PRAISE NOTES

- Pray for Molly Thornbxrg and Wanda Shumxker who are adjusting to new places of living.
- Pray for Nick Bxpst's transition back into his life after his recent medical emergency. Nick is Mary Newcomxr's and Sally Harshbargxr's nephew.
- Pray for friends, Ray Swxsher, Rod Hagxr, and Keith Effinghxm (Chuck Grabxr's co-worker) who are dealing with cancer. Ray is improving slowly.
- Remember Bethel friends who are traveling over the holidays.
- Please continue to pray for Susannah Wirick Moxre's family and her daughter, Saxge.
- Kendra Selzxr serves through Mennonite Mission Network's Mennonite Voluntary Service in Puerto Rico. Pray for her and the Academia Menonita Betania in Aibonito, where she works with pre-kindergarten – grade 10 students and also helps with community clean-up after the September hurricanes.