



Bethel Mennonite Church

“Serving Jesus, Loving Others”

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Gathering

Announcements

Welcome & Call to Worship (on back) Dave Lxnk
Prelude Bill Barrxtt

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 53:1-13, 25:6-9 Dave Lxnk
Opening Prayer

Praising

Congregational Singing Janet Wilkxns

With our Offerings & Offertory Ellen Steinxr

Congregational Singing Ellen and Praise Team

Proclaiming

Scripture Reading Psalm 42

Message: “Hope In God” Ricky Rodriguxz

Sharing – Led by Pastoral Team Pastor Cheryl Shxnk

Of our joys, requests, thanksgivings & responses

Pastoral Prayer Pastor Cheryl Shxnk

Sending

Sending song – *How Deep the Father’s Love for Us* Janet Wilkxns

Benediction Pastor Cheryl Shxnk

THIS WEEK

TODAY

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School

10:40 a.m. – Worship. Ricky Rodriguxz, speaker.

MONDAY

7:00 p. m. – Ministry of Nurture

TUESDAY

9:15 a.m. – Women’s Bible Study

Noon – Peace and Justice Lunch

3:20-5:00 p.m. – Bethel Homework Help

THURSDAY

3:20-5:00 p.m. – Bethel Homework Help

NEXT SUNDAY

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School

10:40 a.m. – Worship. Pastor Cheryl Shxnk, speaker.

4:00 p.m. – Prayer Meeting

PRAYER & PRAISE NOTES

- Pray for health and energy for Deb Bylxxr as she prepares to return to work with women’s leadership development in the Kekchi Mennonite Church.
- Anne Lxwry’s surgery went well on Thursday. Pray for continued healing and strength.
- Pray for these friends struggling with cancer: Ray Swishxr, Rod Hagxr, Lee Jordxn, Dennis Evxns, Mike McGxll, Keith Effinghxm and Cathy Beitxng, (Shelly Roth Beitxng’s mother-in-law).

LAST WEEK

Sunday School Attendance

Worship Attendance

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

A Prayer Meeting will be held here at the church next Sunday afternoon, March 25 at 4:00 p.m.

Submit items for the April church calendar to the church office by Sunday, March 25.

You are invited to purchase an Easter Lily and bring it to the church sanctuary for decorations Palm Sunday and Easter. One purchase option is on the bulletin board in the foyer.

OUR THANKS TO THOSE WHO SERVE

PASTORAL CARE THIS WEEK:

Mark Thomxs (597-4871)

GREETERS:

Today: Joe & Donna Lehmxxn

Next Week: Paul & Sally Harshbargxr

SOUND OPERATOR:

Today: Ken Shxnxk

Next Week: Lori Lehmxxn

MEDIA OPERATOR:

Today: Miriam Lxpp

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Larry Evans, Steve Lxpp, Elaine Newcomxr, Dick Lindemxr, Carol Bxck

Pastoral Care Team: Mark Thomxs, Barb Kauffmxn, Dick Lindemxr,

Carl Newcomxr, Sally Harshbargxr and Michelle Lxnxk

Crisis Care: Chuck Swxrtz and Cheryl Shxnxk

Last December the joint churches of Palestine sent a letter to President Trxmp concerning the moving of Israeli capital to Jerusalem and the effect it will have on Middle East peace. I have placed several copies of that letter in the top slot of the Peace and Justice section of the rotating literature display just outside the library. I encourage you to take a copy and read it **for the sake of Palestinian Christians**. Bill Shumakxr

Webinars of Interest

Everence[®] will hold an informative webinar on Social Security and retirement income planning. The presentation will be on Wednesday, March 28, at 2 and 8 p.m. (EDT). Specifics will include the best time to start taking Social Security, how benefits are calculated, spousal benefits, converting your retirement *savings* into retirement *income* and strategies to help your income last throughout retirement. To register, visit everence.com/retirementincome or contact Melissa Shxrt at (800) 222-5054 ext. 3392 or melissa.shxrt@everence.com.

Sexualized violence and the church: Mennonite Central Committee is offering three webinars this spring for churches who want to learn more about how to address sexualized violence within the congregation and how to encourage healthy sexuality and healthy masculinity among members. The webinars will be led by church leaders and others with expertise in the topics. **Learn more and register for the webinars at mcc.org/wwo.**