PRAYER & PRAISE NOTES

- Remember Alvin and Ruth Ann Y. as they grieve the death of their grandson, Kyle, last Friday. Pray for God's sustaining comfort to surround them and Kyle's parents, Nathan and Grace, as well as his siblings and friends.
- Pray that God's mercy and love would be very real to Harry Graber and his family.
- Cindy requests prayer for her mom, Nancy, who has moved to Green Hills for rehab.
- As the number of Covid-19 cases again increases, we pray for healing for those in our community (and around the world) who are ill with this disease. Pray also for healthcare workers.
- Pray for Elaine's brother-in-law, Tim D., as he is being treated for cancer. And for Kyle V's friend Mackenzie K. who is facing a recent cancer diagnosis.
- Pray for the administrators and staff of Green Hills, that the
 Holy Spirit would encourage them day by day as they oversee
 operations and care for others. Pray that God would provide
 additional dedicated persons to serve on the GH Board of
 Directors.
- Give thanks to God for the ways you see him active in our community. Pray for an ability to see the needs around us, to listen deeply, to speak with courage and humility, and to share the joy of knowing Christ. May we be open to the prompting of the Holy Spirit this week.

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Announcements

Lighting the Peace Lamp:

Again Jesus said, "Peace be with you.

As the Father has sent me, so I am sending you." John 20:21

Prelude

Call to worship

Gathering song: I sing the mighty power of God – H #46

Affirmation of Faith

(based on Shared Conviction #7 of Mennonite World Conference)

God in mercy has called us to live and proclaim

the good news of forgiveness and reconciliation in Jesus Christ.

As a worldwide community of faith and life,

we seek to live in the world

without conforming to the powers of evil.

We witness to God's grace by serving others.

We care for creation,

and invite all people to know Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord.

We hear God's call.

We act with love.

We gather in faith.

We worship God – our Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer.

Offering & prayer

Hymn: Jesus Christ is waiting – SJ #30

Scriptures: I Chronicles 16:23-24; Acts 13:47; Rom. 10:13-15;

Mark 16:15; Jeremiah 1:7-8; Acts 1:8; Isaiah 6:8;

II Timothy 2:2 & 4:2; Matt 28:19-20

Highlighting local mission stories

Song of response: Here I am, Lord – H #395

Sharing: reflections on the scripture, joys, requests, thanksgivings Intercessory prayer

Sending song: We will walk with God / Sizohamba naye – SJ #78

Benediction

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Our **Mission Month** special offerings over the next three weeks will be designated to support the ministries of: Kingdom Investment International, Our Daily Bread's Christmas fund, and Community Refugee & Immigration Service (CRIS) to provide "welcome kits" for refugees.

In your mailboxes today is a slip of paper which shows the information I have about you as it will be printed in the **updated church directory**. If it is accurate, mark OK and put it back in my mailbox. If there are any corrections, please make them on the slip and return it to my mailbox. Return slips by Nov. 28. Thank you, Miriam

Surviving the Holidays, a special GriefShare event, will be held Monday, Nov. 22 at 10:00 a.m. or Tuesday Nov. 23 at 6:30 p.m. (both in person) at the United Methodist Church W.L. It is a seminar for people facing the holidays after the loss of a loved one. For more info, to register, or obtain the access code for Zoom--call Gene Farlxy at or register online at griefshare.org*

Community Thanksgiving-Eve Service, Wednesday, Nov. 24 at 6:30 pm. Come together with local churches to offer thanks to God. The service will take place at Quest Community Church and also livestreamed.*

MCC Great Lakes is seeking a Church Engagement Intern: This intern will support a survey process to grow the partnerships between MCC and churches in our region. This includes connecting with congregations via phone & email, along with compiling and analyzing survey data. This 10-week paid internship (starting in January) is for students enrolled in or having recently completed a college, university or seminary program. Location is flexible, but office space is available in the MCC Great Lakes office in Goshen, IN. Apply online by Nov. 24 at mcc.org/gl-church-intern. For more info contact Amber Falcxn at or AmberFalcon@mcc.org.

As the number of Covid-19 cases and community spread in our area continues to be quite high, please take appropriate precautions (using masks and distance) given your own health factors and the vulnerability of those you come into contact with.

*More info on the bulletin board

THIS WEEK

TODAY

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School

10:30 a.m. – Worship. Highlighting local missions.

Speakers: Carole Barrxtt, Ken Hostetlxr, Joel Lehmxn, Kim Lehmxn & Nita Wilkinsxn

SATURDAY

8:00 a.m. – Men's Breakfast

NEXT SUNDAY

9:30 a.m. - Sunday School

10:30 a.m. – Worship. Speaker: Rebecca Kauffmxn.

PASTORAL CARE THIS WEEK: Barb Kauffmxn LAST WEEK

Worship attendance: 52 Sunday School: 17

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

OUR THANKS TO THOSE WHO SERVE

This Week – November 14 Next Week – November 21

Worship leader: Ken Shxnk Worship leader:

Music leader: Ellen SteinxrMusic leader: Janet WilkxnsSpeakers: see aboveSpeaker: Rebecca Kauffmxn

Greeters: Barb & Byron Kauffmaxn **Greeters:** Carl & Elaine Newcomxr

Sound: Mark Kauffmxn

Media: Andrew Bloxt

Prelude: Ellen Steinxr

Sound: Ken Shxnk

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Prelude: Janet Wilkxns