PRAYER & PRAISE NOTES

• "Dear friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God. Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God" (1 John 4:7). Pray for grace and courage to share God's love with someone who would not otherwise receive such a gift.

• Pray for Shirley K as she recuperates from a dislocated shoulder & regains her strength.

• Give thanks that Elaine's brother-in-law Tim D. is responding better to a new chemo treatment.

• Pray for Brenda & Dave's friend Mike Roudabxsh as he was recently diagnosed with cancer and will be undergoing chemo & radiation. Praise God that Mike recently gave his life to the Lord!

• Pray for Jeanie's brother Don, and Steve's nephew Jim Lxpp, and their families as the two men are in hospice care. May God grant them peace.

• Pray that God's love and healing would become real for Kim's friend Tonya. Pray for her adult sons and others who are seeking to support her.

• Pray for God's comfort to uphold Linda R., Shelly & JD as they grieve the death of JD's mother Kathy Beitxng. Her service was last Thursday.

• Ohio Conference's Leadership Team is composed of Paula Snyder Belousxk, Andrew Bloxnt, Alvis Pettkxr, Vickie Yodxr, Dick Barrxtt, Judy Kxng and Alysa Shxrt. You are invited to keep them in your prayers as they meet on Feb. 17 to prepare for the Annual Conference Assembly business session discussions on March 4-5. May the Holy Spirit be present as they guide and direct the Conference.

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Announcements

Lighting the Peace Lamp:

A peaceful mind gives life to the body,

but jealousy rots the bones. Proverbs 14:30 (CEB)

Prelude

Call to worship

Hymns: In the bulb there is a flower – H #614 Open now thy gates of beauty – H #19

Affirmation of faith: Romans 5:1-5

Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand;

and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God.

And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings,

knowing that suffering produces endurance,

and endurance produces character,

and character produces hope,

and hope does not disappoint us,

because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

Offering & prayer

Offertory

Scripture: Luke 6:27-36

Message: Radical reciprocating

Hymn of response: Beloved, God's chosen - SJ #38

Sharing: reflections on the scripture, joys, requests, thanksgivings Intercessory prayer Sending song: Christ be near at either hand – SJ #80 Benediction

THIS WEEK

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mary Ann Kxng has come back to Ohio in order to see her doctors in light of feeling ill. She is staying with her daughter. Her mailing address is Mary Ann Kxng

Morning Prayer. Sunday mornings in Feb. from 9:00-9:20, in the Fellowship Room. We follow a printed prayer guide including readings, silence, & open prayer time, focusing on listening for God's leading, and interceding for Bethel and our neighbors. Participate with your presence or voice.

If you know someone who may be interested in applying to fill Bethel's part-time (15 hrs/week) role of Administrative Assistant, ask them to contact Rebecca in the coming week.

Giving / Service Project: Friendship House and Shepherd's Circle are two organizations in the Archbold area that provide shelter to people in crisis. As part of the Ohio Annual Conference Assembly meeting in Archbold, we are invited to contribute laundry detergent and 4-packs of toilet paper as a tangible expression of care. Place items in the box by the elevator by March 1. See bulletin board to read the stories.

Information and dates for Grief Share, a 13 week seminar and support group designed to offer help and encouragement after losing a loved one, is on the bulletin board. Walk-ins are welcome too.

The Everence Sharing Fund provided \$xxxx in matching grants to support special needs in our church and community in 2021. Mary Newcomxr serves as the Everence advocate for our congregation. Contact her for more information about Everence or the Sharing Fund.

As we worship together, please wear a mask especially while singing. 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.

TODAY

9:00 a.m. – Call to prayer 9:30 a.m. – Sunday School. 10:30 a.m. – Worship. Speaker, Rebecca

SATURDAY

8:00 p.m. – Men's Breakfast

NEXT SUNDAY

9:00 a.m. – Call to prayer 9:30 a.m. – Sunday School 10:30 a.m. – Worship. Speaker: Rebecca. Luke 6:37-42

PASTORAL CARE THIS WEEK: Mary Jean Hxrn

LAST WEEK

Worship attendance: 30 Sunday School: 16

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

OUR THANKS TO THOSE WHO SERVE

This Week – February 13	Next Week – February 20	
Worship leader: Doug Steinxr	Worship leader:	
Music leader: Ellen Steinxr	Music leader: Janet Wilkxns	
Speaker: Rebecca Kauffmxn	Speaker: Rebecca Kauffmxn	
Greeters: Carl & Elaine Newcomxr	Greeters: Dick & Nellie Lindemxr	
Sound: Mark Kauffmxn	Sound: Ken Shxnk	
Media: Andrew Bloxnt	Media: Andrew Bloxnt	
Prelude: Ellen Steinxr	Prelude: Janet Wilkxns	