

## PRAYER & PRAISE NOTES

- Join in praying for the peace of Ukrainx: for courage for Ukrainxns, Russixns and others protesting the invasion and seeking ways of peace. For a change of heart of those advancing war. For those seeking refuge and for the countries who will receive them. Lord, have mercy.
- Pray for Shirley K as she recuperates from a dislocated shoulder & regains her strength. She is grateful for a good roommate, helpful staff, and caring family & friends.
- Pray for healing for Bill & Carole's granddaughter Grace, following surgery.
- Join in praying for God's protection over Kristxn, that God would put compassionate people in her path, and that she would be able to receive the care she needs.
- Pray for all those attending Ohio Conference's annual Missional Conference at Zion Mennonite in Archbold this Thurs-Fri., focusing on the theme *Befriending the Neighborhood: Am I a Good Neighbor?* May we glean inspiration from the stories and lessons offered to us by presenters Howard and Cathy Waglrx.
- Pray for God's leading and that a spirit of grace and encouragement would be evident at the Ohio Conference Annual Meeting this Fri-Sat. Pray for all the staff, ministry leaders, and delegates. Mary N., Byron and Rebecca serve as Bethel's delegates.

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Announcements

Lighting the Peace Lamp:

Therefore, since we are justified by faith,  
we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ,  
... and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God.

Romans 5:1-2

Prelude

Call to worship:

Great is the Lord – exalted among the nations.

**Mighty is our God – Sovereign ruler of heaven and earth.**

Holy is the Three-in-One – beyond our understanding.

**Let us worship our God and Savior;**

**We bow our hearts before the God of glory!**

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

Jesus, thou mighty Lord – H #115

Affirmation of faith:

The Spirit of Jesus empowers us to trust God in all areas of life,

**so we become peacemakers who renounce violence,  
love our enemies, seek justice,  
and share our possessions with those in need.**

We grieve violence

and we reject efforts by any nation to dominate another.

**We seek to live in the world**

**without conforming to the powers of evil.**

We do so through the power of the Holy Spirit,

**depending on God to grant vision and courage to us  
and to all who call on God's name.**

Offering & prayer

Offertory

Scripture: Luke 9:28-36

Message: Don't you just love those theophanies?

Song of response: I want to walk as a child of the light – SJ #95

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

Sending song: Santo (Holy) – SJ #15

Benediction

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**The bulletin** will be printed on Thursday morning this week. Please submit any announcements or other items by 9:00 am Thurs, March 3.

**Change to office hours:** No one will be in the office this Friday, Mar. 4. **Rebecca** will attend the Ohio Missional Conference and Annual Meeting (March 3-5). In case of an urgent pastoral care need, contact Cheryl Shxnk.

**Miriam concludes** her time as Bethel's Administrative Assistant this week. We extend our heartfelt thanks for her dedication and grace-filled service to us during the last 4.5 years!

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 2**. See bulletin board to read the stories.

**Ash Wednesday service**, March 2, at 6:30 pm at Bethel. Plan to begin the season of Lent with this contemplative service of scripture, reflection, music and receiving ashes. Jointly planned by Oak Grove, Jubilee and Bethel.

As we worship together, please wear a mask especially while singing. Please take appropriate precautions (using masks and distance) given your own health factors and the vulnerability of those you come into contact with.

## THIS WEEK

### TODAY

**9:00 a.m.** – Call to prayer

**9:30 a.m.** – Sunday School.

**10:30 a.m.** – Worship. Speaker, Lynn A. Millxr.

### WEDNESDAY

**6:30 p.m.** – Ash Wednesday service at Bethel

### SATURDAY

**8:00 p.m.** – Men's Breakfast

### NEXT SUNDAY

**9:30 a.m.** – Sunday School

**10:30 a.m.** – Worship. Speaker, Cheryl Shxnk

**PASTORAL CARE THIS WEEK:** Barb Kauffmxn

## LAST WEEK

Worship attendance: 37

Sunday School: 17

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

### OUR THANKS TO THOSE WHO SERVE

This Week – February 27

**Worship leader:** Rebecca Kauffmxn

**Music leader:** Andrew Bloxnt

**Speaker:** Lynn A. Millxr

**Greeters:** Dick & Nellie Lindemxr

**Sound:** Lori Lehmxn

**Media:** Andrew Bloxnt

**Prelude:** Elaine Newcomxr

Next Week – March 6

**Worship leader:** Ken Shxnk

**Music leader:** Carl Newcomxr

**Speaker:** Cheryl Shxnk

**Greeters:** Chuck & Carol Bxck

**Sound:** Andrew Bloxnt

**Media:** Andrew Bloxnt

**Prelude:** Carl Newcomxr