



Bethel Mennonite Church

“Jesus compels us to experience and extend the gracious rule of God by the power of the Holy Spirit.”

LAST WEEK

SS Attendance 49 Worship Attendance 78

Your giving empowers our collective work for God’s purpose. Thanks!

OUR THANKS TO

PASTORAL CARE THIS WEEK: Chuck Swartz

NURSERY:

Today: Carol Buck **Next week:** Beth Maurer

GREETERS:

Today: David & Sarah Hostetler **Next week:** Carl & Elaine Newcomer

SOUND OPERATOR:

Today: Larry Evans **Next week:** Mark Kauffman

MEDIA OPERATOR:

Today: Annie Steiner **Next week:** Annie Steiner

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Sharon Showalter, Carl Newcomer, Mark Thomas, Chuck Swartz
Technology Coordinator: Todd Hostetler

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Stories of God’s People – Aquila & Pricilla

Preparing

By praying together Infant Nursery @ 8:45a.m.

Gathering

Welcome & Call to Worship Kathy Lehman
Prelude Kathy Graber
Psalms 105:1-11 & Opening Prayer
Gathering Hymns Byron Kauffman

Proclaiming

Children’s Story Dena Hostetler

Scripture- Acts 18:18-28

Message “Aquila & Pricilla” Pastor Dave Maurer

Praising

With our offerings & Offertory Savannah Hostetler
With Choruses Beth Maurer and Team

Sharing

Mission Moment Dan Byler
Of our joys, requests, thanksgivings & responses
Pastoral Prayer Pastor Rick Stoner

Sending

Benediction Pastor Rick
Sending hymn

THIS WEEK

TODAY

9:30 a.m.—Sunday School

10:40 a.m.—Worship Service

MONDAY –THURSDAY

6 – 8 pm Soccer Camp @ The Lion’s Park

FRIDAY

7:30 p.m. Community Movie Night

NEXT SUNDAY

9:30 a.m. — Worship Service (Pastor Rick Speaking on Acts 10)

11:00 a.m.—August Brunch Groups

LOOKING AHEAD

August Schedule – Please note that in August our Sunday morning schedule will be a little bit different. On Aug. 3, 10, 17, & 24, worship will begin at 9:30am with meals to follow instead of Sunday school. On August 31, we will resume Sunday school at 9:30 with worship at 10:40am.

Community Movie Night—August 1st at 7:30 pm. We will be showing a Supercalifragilisticexpialidocious musical movie fun for the entire family!

Pastor Dave will be away – In case of a need for pastoral care, please contact Pastor Rick.

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

Reminder—Student Aid Pledges are due this month.

West Liberty MVS Unit - Some have wondered what it would look like for us to re-establish an MVS unit in West Liberty to partner with local agencies. While no commitments have been made, we continue to explore this possibility and seek God's leading. An informational meeting with Neil Richer of MMN will take place at Bethel on Wed., August 6th @ 7PM. All who are interested in learning more are welcome to attend.

The Signup Bulletin Board has been installed next to the mailboxes in the foyer. All the signup sheets for Bethel events now have their own bulletin board for easy access! Check it frequently for new opportunities to serve!

Sign up on the bulletin board to help at the Bethel Sausage Booth this Labor Day. Many time slots are available.

Blood Drive, August 22 from 1-7 pm. Please sign up to help set up, tear down, donate refreshments and / or to give blood.

Soccer Camp July 28-31—You’re invited to come to the park and fellowship with families who stay during the camp. We currently have 43 children registered!

Giving Opportunity – A few years ago, we supported an Iraqi student at Bluffton University. Ahmed Tarik is another student who went through this program. Now he has been accepted into the graduate program in conflict transformation at EMU and is in need of financial assistance. More information about Ahmed is available on the bulletin board. Peace and Justice lunch would like to invite us to consider supporting Ahmed in his studies. You may make a contribution by marking “Iraqi Student” on the memo line and placing it in the offering between now and August 3rd.

Thank you to everyone who made our 50th Anniversary special by congratulating us, sending cards, or attending our surprise open house.
—Carl and Elaine Newcomer.

Thank you to Steve Lapp for serving as our treasurer. Please direct necessary items to the incoming treasurer, Tesa Jordan.

PRAYER & PRAISE NOTES

- **Praise for Lowell Kxxffman’s** smooth recovery from his recent hospitalization for pancreatitis.
- **Pray for Julia Yxder** as she returned to Riverside this week with a bowel obstruction.
- **Pray for the family of Jeff Thxmas**, cousin of Mark Thomas, who recently passed away suddenly.
- **Pray for Grant Krxbill**, age 3, son of Joel & Katie, as he recovers from surgery.
- **Pray for Beth Mxxrer**, as she prepares for surgery at the Cleveland Clinic on August 11th.
- **Please pray for Larry Kxrtz**, brother of Kathy Lehman, as he receives treatment for cancer.
- **Pray for 15 faculty members** from China West Normal University as they come to Bluffton University for a study seminar on higher education administration July 26-Aug 16. Pray for their safe travels.
- **Pray for our Year of Discernment** as we discern God’s direction for youth ministry and as the gifts discernment committee meets.
- **Pray for our denomination and conference** as we discern God’s leading and seek for kingdom opportunities.