

Contributions for Ahmed Tarik: Ahmed, the Iraqi student we supported this school year, is wrapping up his first year at EMU's Center for Justice and Peacebuilding. He is in need of financial assistance for his second year. To contribute, please make your check to Bethel Mennonite and write "Iraqi Student" on the memo line. An update on Ahmed is on the bulletin board.



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

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LAST WEEK

Sunday School 69
Worship Attendance 94

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

OUR THANKS TO

PASTORAL CARE THIS WEEK: Barb Landes

NURSERY:

Today: Beth Maurer

Next week: Linda Hostetler

GREETERS:

Today: Joe & Donna Lehman **Next week:** Dennis & Sharon Showalter

SOUND OPERATOR:

Today: Mark Kauffman

Next week: Brody Robinaugh

MEDIA OPERATOR:

Today: Brody Robinaugh

Next week: Annie Steiner

Through the Bible in a Year – Of Kings & Prophets

Preparing

By praying together

Infant Nursery @ 8:45a.m.

Gathering

Pre-worship Music

James Lochridge and Team

Gathering Choruses

Welcome & Call to Worship

Michelle Link

Opening Prayer

Proclaiming

Scripture – 2 Samuel 12:1-14

Message "Of Kings and Prophets: David's Demise"

Pastor Dave Maurer

Praising

With our offerings & Offertory

James Lochridge

With Hymns

Bill Barrett

Sharing

Of our joys, requests, thanksgivings & responses

Pastoral Prayer

Pastor Dave Maurer

Sending

Benediction

Pastor Dave

Sending hymn

Celebrating 125 Years

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THIS WEEK

TODAY

9:30 a.m. — Sunday School
10:40 a.m. — Worship Service
12:00 p.m.—Youth Potato Bar, followed by Congregational Meeting
3:00-5:00 p.m.—Abraham's Lot & God's GIRLS

TUESDAY

9:15 a.m.—Women's Bible Study
12:00 p.m.—Peace & Justice Lunch

WEDNESDAY

7:00 p.m.—Youth Bible Study

THURSDAY

7:30 p.m. – Ministry of Worship (Note the time change)

FRIDAY

11 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.—Red Cross Blood Drive

SATURDAY

8:00 a.m.—King's Daughters Breakfast

NEXT SUNDAY—Mother's Day

9:30 a.m. — Sunday School
10:40 a.m. — Worship Service— Pastor Dave Speaks on I Kings 1:28-53

LOOKING AHEAD

Congregational Business Meeting council is calling for a congregational business meeting following the worship service TODAY. The purpose is to discuss and decide on an alternative restructure proposal. Additional information is available through e-mail or in your boxes.

Blood Drive May 8th – We will host our next blood drive on Friday, May 8th from 11-5. Please sign up on the bulletin board to help with set-up, host, donate refreshments, and/or donate blood.

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

HELP NEPAL: Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) requests donations to support its response to the earthquake that shook Nepal. Focusing its initial emergency response on hard-hit rural communities, MCC is providing food, tarps, blankets and cooking pots and utensils. A longer-term response will be determined as MCC and its partners assess the situation. Donations may be made through Bethel with "Nepal" on the memo line.

Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) Great Lakes invites participants to join a learning tour to Palestine and Israel taking place November 9-21, 2015. Participants will learn about the current conflict and realities, meet with Palestinian and Israeli peacemakers, and return home prepared to engage in education and advocacy. For more information or to register, visit mcc.org/gl-israel or contact Eric at EricKurtz@mcc.org or 574-534-4133. Registration with a deposit is due by June 15.

Through the Bible in a Year Reflection Questions: as we journey through the Bible this year, here are a few questions to reflect upon in your reading. More may be found at Pastor Dave's blog (<http://thequest.blogspot.com/>). A complete list of daily readings is available from the office. **May 4-10:**

- In I Chronicles 28, David announced that his son, Solomon, the son of Bathsheba, would be the next king of Israel after David. David then reminded him to follow in the ways of the Lord. Of all of the sons of David, God chose Solomon, the son of a relationship that disappointed God and came about through sinful choices. What does this say about God and God's people? What might this mean for us today?
- David was not allowed to build the temple for God because he was a warrior and had shed blood. But David gathered materials and passed on the plans for the temple to Solomon. What does this teach us about David as king? What does it suggest about God and God's call on our lives?
- Since the time of Moses, the Ark of the Covenant had been housed in a tent. Now David gathered vast quantities of materials for Solomon to use in the building of the temple. Compare and contrast the tent as a "house for God" and the plans for the temple. What do each say about who God is and our relationship to God?

PRAYER & PRAISE NOTES

- **Pray for Mary Yxder** as she recovers at Mercy Hospital.
- **Pray for Bill Hxnry** as he recovers and undergoes rehab.
- **Pray for Cindy Kxxffman** as she has additional teeth removed.
- **Father Patrick Shxridan** pastor at St. Patrick's Church. Fr. Pat is beginning chemo for a bone marrow transplant.
- **Pray for Baltimore** and all those affected by the rioting.
- **Pray for Nepal** in the aftermath of the earthquake.
- **The deadline to apply for Mennonite Mission Network's Mennonite Voluntary Service program is May 31.** Pray that those whom God is calling to live out their faith will accept.
- **Pray for MC USA** as leaders and delegates prepare to meet for convention this summer.