



Bethel Mennonite Church

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

LAST WEEK

Sunday School 61
Worship Attendance 93

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

OUR THANKS TO

PASTORAL CARE THIS WEEK: Dick Lindemer

NURSERY:

Today: Carol Buck

Next week: Tara Sanford

GREETERS:

Today: Todd & Dena Hostetler

Next week: Ed & Kim Lehman

SOUND OPERATOR:

Today: Larry Evans

Next week: Mark Kauffman

MEDIA OPERATOR:

Today: Annie Steiner

Next week: Brody Robinaugh

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Order of Worship – September 28, 2014 Stories of God’s People – Our Stories

Preparing

By praying together

Infant Nursery @ 8:45a.m.

Gathering

Welcome & Call to Worship

Jerry Landes

Prelude

Kathy Graber

Psalms 25:1-9 & Opening Prayer

Gathering Hymns

Carl Newcomer

Proclaiming

Children’s Story

Dena Hostetler

Scripture- Hebrews 11:4-16

Meditation “God’s Story, Our Story” Pastor Dave Maurer

Response – Card board Testimonies

Praising

With our offerings & Offertory

Ellen Steiner

With Choruses

Bill Barrett and Team

Sharing

Of our joys, requests, thanksgivings & responses

Pastoral Prayer

Pastor Dave Maurer

Sending

Benediction

Pastor Dave

Sending hymn

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THIS WEEK

TODAY

9:30 a.m.—Sunday School
10:40 a.m.—Worship Service
3:00 p.m. – Don Blosser Sharing

WEDNESDAY

6:30 p.m.—Ministry of Worship in Fellowship Room

SATURDAY

8:00 a.m.—Men's Breakfast

NEXT SUNDAY

9:30 a.m. — Sunday School
10:40 a.m. — Worship Service & World Communion Sunday
(Pastor Dave on Ephesians 4:1-10)
12:30 p.m. — Crop Walk @ the Lion's Park

LOOKING AHEAD

Crop Walk to end hunger is next Sunday, October 5th. We have a sign up page to walk, donate or both on the internet, or see Kim Lehman for more. Sign up online at: <http://hunger.cwsglobal.org/goto/bethelw/> and support the Crop Walk. Registration begins at 12:30 at the Lion's Park, and the walk starts at 1:00 p.m. We will be walking through downtown West Liberty and returning to Lion's Park.

World Communion Sunday is October 5th and we will be celebrating the Lord's Supper together that morning. We invite you in the week ahead to be preparing your hearts for this time.

Our annual business meeting is October 12th. A Potluck lunch will be held following worship, with the meeting to follow the meal.

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

You are invited to hear Don Blosser, former pastor, Goshen College Bible professor, and recent author of "Pastor and Professor; A Public Faith". He will speak at the Bethel Mennonite Church on today at 3:00 p.m. His topic will be "Catch the Vision: A Word of Hope for Anabaptist Churches." There will be time for questions/discussion. An offering will be received.

Bethel Youth Pastor Position- We are pleased to announce that Council has called Cheryl Shank to serve as our youth pastor at Bethel and that she has accepted this invitation. Cheryl will officially begin her work on October 1st. Thank you for your prayers for this process of discernment and as Cheryl begins to minister in this role.

Interim Congregational Chair – While the gifts discernment committee continues to work at naming a congregational chair for the coming year, council has appointed Todd Hostetler as Interim Congregational Chair beginning October 1st.

Joining Together in Prayer – You are invited to take part in a countywide public prayer gathering to be held at 4PM on Oct. 2nd in Bellefontaine at Brown Park on Sandusky Ave. Please set this day aside to fast and join in prayer together.

Fiscal Year Contributions – Bethel's fiscal year ends on Sept 30th. Donors wishing to have their contributions to Bethel included in this fiscal year should submit those by **TODAY**, Sunday, September 28th. Thank you for your ongoing generosity to our shared work for God's kingdom purposes.

High Point Women's Center is in need of the following: diapers. Please consider donating today to our center. Diapers sizes 2-6 , wipes and pull-ups accepted. Not accepting size 1 diapers.

Everence Seminar – Tues., Oct. 7th at 6:30 p.m.-"Understanding your options with Medicare in 2014," at South Union Mennonite Church. Please RSVP to (614) 873-7773 or devan.humphries@everence.com.

PRAYER & PRAISE NOTES

- **Pray for Byron Kxxffman** as he undergoes hip replacement surgery on Monday.
- **Pray for Earl Nxwcomer**, (brother of Art) as he recovers from knee replacement surgery and a heart attack.
- **Pray for David Shxnk**, Mennonite Mission Network, as he represents Quito Mennonite Church's ministry among refugees at a forum that includes not-for-profit organizations and government officials who are working on a city ordinance about the social inclusion of migrant groups. Pray that David and his colleagues will be able to promote justice in Ecuador through this process.