



Bethel Mennonite Church

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

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Easter Sunday

Preparing

By praying together Infant Nursery @ 9:15a.m.

Gathering

Welcome & Psalm 2 Jerry Landes
Prelude Kathy Graber

Call to Worship
Opening Prayer
Gathering Choruses Bill Barrett and Team

Special Music "Were You There" Lowell Kauffman

Proclaiming

Scripture- John 4:24-26
Message "He is Risen!! Wait...Who was that again?"
Guest Speaker KJ Schrock

Praising

With our offerings & Offertory Ellen Steiner
With Hymns Byron Kauffman

Sharing

Of our joys, requests, thanksgivings & responses
Pastoral Prayer Barb Evans

Sending

Benediction Barb Evans
Sending hymn

LAST WEEK

Sunday School 50
Worship Attendance 86

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

OUR THANKS TO

PASTORAL CARE THIS WEEK: Barb Landes

GREETERS:

Today: Doug & Ellen Steiner **Next Week:** Carl & Elaine Newcomer

MEDIA OPERATOR:

Today: Lee Jordan **Next week:** Brody Robinaugh

SOUND OPERATOR:

Today: Larry Evans **Next week:** Lee Jordan

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THIS WEEK

TODAY – Easter Sunday

9:00 a.m. —Easter Sunrise Service at South Union

9:00 a.m. —Easter Breakfast—no Sunday School today

10:40 a.m. —Worship Service, with guest speaker, KJ Schrock

MONDAY

6:00 p.m.—Stewardship Meeting

TUESDAY

3:00 p.m.—Bethel Homework Help

THURSDAY

3:00 p.m.—Bethel Homework Help

7:00 p.m.—Elder Leadership Team

SATURDAY

8:00 a.m.—Men’s Breakfast

10:30 a.m.—Senior Celebration Tea

NEXT SUNDAY

9:30 a.m. —Sunday School

10:40 a.m. —Worship Service, with guest speaker, Jerry Landes

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MCC Alumni & Friends Gathering: As alumni or interested friends of Mennonite Central Committee, you are warmly invited to join us for an MCC Alumni and Friends International Potluck at 5:30 pm on Sunday, May 1, at Grace Mennonite Church, 502 E. Main Street in Pandora. Special guest speakers will be Ben & Beth Weisbrod, current MCC Area Directors for Central and West Africa. Please RSVP at 574-534-4133 or to MatthewTschetter@mcc.org.

MCC Peace Gathering Workshops in Kidron Ohio Saturday, April 16, 9am-5pm at Kidron Mennonite Church (3987 Co Hwy 52/Kidron Rd., Kidron, OH 44636).. Workshops on incarceration, conflict transformation education, immigration and racial profiling, followed by Q & A time with all the presenters. Lunch is provided. To RSVP, visit mcc.org/gl-peace or contact Jorge Vielman, Peace & Justice Coordinator, at 574-534-4133.

Monetary Donations are needed to purchase batting, backing and yarn for the comforter blitz. These comforters will be sent to MCC for Syrian Relief efforts. Please put “comforter” in the memo line of your check by April 3rd.

The SWAP program is seeking summer staff for 3 month assignments in KY and W VA. Job site coordinators utilize volunteer labor to accomplish quality home remodels/repairs, while meals coordinators plan balanced, nutritional meals for volunteers. Summer staff are a critical component of SWAP's successful ministry. For more information go to swap.mcc.org or call Angela at 606-633-5065.

MCC Borderlands Learning Tour: Join (MCC) on a learning tour to bring awareness to the issues caused by the border wall along the Mexico/U.S. border. Participants will increase their understanding and knowledge of the social, economic, political and theological significance of migration in border communities, including advocacy tools and capacity building to engage others on borderlands and migration issues. The learning tour will take place on May 25-29 in Arizona and will include crossing the border into Mexico. Attendees will also have the option to participate in the Migrant Trail walk following the tour. For more information, visit mcc.org/borderlands-tour or call Jorge Vielman at (574) 534-4133.

Thank you for the visits and prayers during my second knee replacement. Recovery is going well and continued prayers are welcome! –Ken Shank

PRAYER & PRAISE NOTES

- **Please pray for Molly Thxrnburg**, who was admitted to OSU hospital on Wednesday.
- **Please pray for Mark Thxmas.** He was released on Sunday for treatment of a blood clot. Pray for his continued recovery.
- **Please pray for Christine Wilcxx**, grandmother of Cindy Kauffman, at OSU Hospital.
- **Please pray for the Syrian Refugees.** Since the Syrian war began five years ago in March, Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) has spent \$34.6 million to relieve the suffering of Syrians, Iraqis and people in neighboring countries who have been impacted by violence.
- **Please pray for Palestinians** daily detained at checkpoints. To learn more go to www.cptpalestine.com.
- **Pray for Dan and Kathryn Smith Derksen and their sons, Jacob and John-Clair**, as they begin a Mission Network assignment in South Africa, working with Oscar Siwali, director of Southern Africa Development and Reconstruction Agency. Pray for their adjustment and their work with peace education and conflict transformation.

Come join the Blanket Blitz at Green Hills

Syrian refugees need our support and prayers. They also need blankets. West Liberty area church women are gathering April 23 to create warm blankets for them.

The process has included cutting fabric squares and sewing them into quilt tops. The next steps need your help, too. Check off which you would like to help with, sign your name and church.

Friday, April 22 – assistance framing the tops. This entails pinning backing, batting (filling), and top together onto a quilt frame.

_____ 10 a.m. to noon

Saturday, April 23 – 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. –knotting and binding. This means sewing the quilt together and finishing the edges. Come for a shift or come for the day. A light lunch will be served, but we need an accurate count.*

_____ 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.

_____ 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.*

_____ 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.

Can't sew? You can still be part of this mission project. Monetary donations will help pay for necessary supplies and shipping. In the memo line of your check write "Blanket Blitz."

*What shall I render to the LORD, for all His benefits toward me?
Psalm 116:12*



EVERYONE IS INVITED to *The Senior Celebration Tea*, April 2nd at 10:30 a.m. Light refreshments will be served as we celebrate our Senior Bethelites. Please plan to attend! RSVP to Tesa, or sign up in the lobby so we can plan for enough refreshments.

EMHS Choir Tour will be here for a program Tuesday, April 12 at 7:00 p.m. We need housing volunteers for about a dozen or so students and adults. Please sign up in the lobby if you can host one or more on the tour.



Save the Date!
Bethel VBS
June 6-10, 2016
Details to follow!