

## LAST WEEK

Sunday School Attendance 44  
Worship Attendance 60

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

## OUR THANKS TO

**PASTORAL CARE THIS WEEK:** Barb Kauffman

### GREETERS:

**Today:** Mark & Polly Thomas      **Next Week:** Mark & Polly Thomas

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**Today:** unfilled      **Next week:** unfilled

### SOUND OPERATOR:

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

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# 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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## World Fellowship Day

### Preparing

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

### Gathering Led by Worship Leader, Kathy Lehman

Announcements

Prelude

Kathy Graber

Welcome & Call to Worship

Opening Prayer

### Praising

Congregational Singing

Bill Barrett and Team

With our offerings & Offertory

Ellen Steiner

### Confession      Hymnal #855

Kathy Lehman

### Praising

Congregational Singing

Byron Kauffman

### Proclaiming

**Scripture** Ephesians 3:16-21

**Message** "'The Bridge Prayer'"

**Pastor Duane Beck**

### Sharing, Led by Pastoral Care Team, Barb Landes

Of our joys, requests, thanksgivings & responses

Pastoral Prayer

### Sending

Sending hymn

Byron Kauffman

Benediction

## THIS WEEK

### TODAY

9:30 a.m. — Sunday School

10:40 a.m. — Worship with Duane Beck

### TUESDAY

3:00 p.m.—Bethel Homework Help

### WEDNESDAY

4:15 p.m.—Our Daily Bread

### NEXT SUNDAY

9:30 a.m. — Sunday School

10:40 a.m. — Worship with Chuck Swartz

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**AMBS seeks Volunteer Coordinator** beginning August 2017. Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary, Elkhart, Indiana, is seeking a qualified individual or couple to coordinate the work of our short-term and local volunteers, connecting these volunteers with assignments from faculty and staff. If you like to work with people, have excellent communication and computer skills, and are well organized, please consider this volunteer assignment for a one-year, renewable term. The position opens Aug. 1; the start date is negotiable. To learn more, contact Jewel Gingerich Longenecker, dean of Lifelong Learning: [jglongenecker@ambs.edu](mailto:jglongenecker@ambs.edu).

**MCC's Sharing With Appalachia People (SWAP) program** is seeking volunteer groups and summer staff. Summer will be here before we know it, so make your summer plans now to join SWAP in Kentucky. Don't miss out on your chance to serve with this home repair ministry while learning about life in Appalachia. Groups or individuals can volunteer to serve as week-long volunteers. SWAP is also looking for summer staff to serve as job site coordinators and meals coordinators/cooks for three month assignments. Summer staff are a critical component of SWAP's successful ministry, as they help facilitate the weekly SWAP service groups working on housing repair for low-income persons. Summer staff vary in age from 19 to 70+, and they receive meals, lodging and a weekly stipend for their service. For more information about bringing a group to SWAP or serving as summer staff, visit [swap.mcc.org](http://swap.mcc.org) or contact Angela Maggard at [AppalachiaAdmin@mcc.org](mailto:AppalachiaAdmin@mcc.org) or 606-633-5065.

**Duane and Lois** will back for their final month with us Feb 1-21.

**The transitional prayer team** is suggesting that the Bethel family makes personal Paul's prayer from Ephesians 3:16-20. Pray that God may strengthen us with power through His spirit in our innermost being so that Christ may dwell in our hearts through faith. Pray that we being rooted and established in love, may have power, together with all the saints to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, and to know this love that surpasses knowledge--that we may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God. May we give God the glory as He is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine according to His power that is at work within us. NIV

**Coming this summer: MennoTalks!** A new feature for the Mennonite Church USA Convention 2017, the talks will feature 20 slides for 20 seconds each in a fast-paced presentation on topics such as "Celebrating Women," "Race, Religion and Justice" and "Global and Local Peacemaking." Come to Orlando July 4-7 to experience this and much more. Visit <http://convention.mennoniteusa.org/mennotalks/> for additional information.

**Thank You** Whether you prayed, visited, called, sent cards, food or did other things, I felt your love and support. I appreciate it and thank you kindly. —Jan Smucker

**Chuck Swartz and Cheryl Shank** will begin serving as our Interim Pastors Feb 1. They will be commissioned Sunday, February 5. They will serve as a team ½ FTE until a new pastor is chosen or until Sept 30 with a possible extension.

## PRAYER & PRAISE NOTES

- **Pray for Julia Yxder**, who is at Riverside and testing has not yet revealed the source of her pain.
- **Pray for Teresa Wxlch**, a teacher at Bellefontaine HS dealing with multiple health issues.
- **Today is when World Fellowship Day is celebrated.** It falls annually on the Sunday that is closest to Jan. 21. It marks the date in 1525 when the first Anabaptist baptisms took place in Zurich, Switzerland. Give thanks for all those around the world who boldly seek to follow Jesus Christ.
- **JCS International**, the consortium of mission agencies through which Mennonite Mission Network serves in Mongolia, requests prayer for "the many families in our fellowships and communities who are struggling to keep their homes warm in the cold weather this winter."

## **Ephesians 3:1-16**

(Paul's prayer for the church)

**16 I pray that out of his glorious riches he may strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner being, 17 so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith.**

**And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, 18 may have power, together with all the Lord's holy people, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, 19 and to know this love that surpasses knowledge—that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God.**

**20 Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, 21 to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen.**

Personalize the prayer by putting people's names in the prayer. For instance pray for yourself. Insert people's names that you care about or are concerned for. Yes, and pray for those people who you don't get along with. Pray for your neighbors. Pray for our church and leaders in the church.