

LAST WEEK

Sunday School Attendance 38
Worship Attendance 48

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

OUR THANKS TO THOSE WHO SERVE

PASTORAL CARE THIS WEEK: Carl Newcomxr

GREETERS:

Today: Ed & Kim Lehmxn **Next Week:** Mary Kay Kxng
& Mary Yodxr

MEDIA OPERATOR:

Today: unfilled **Next Week:** unfilled

SOUND OPERATOR:

Today: Larry Evxns **Next Week:** unfilled

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*“Serving Jesus, Loving Others.”
“Partners with Jesus Christ.”
“Extending Christ’s Table.”*

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Gathering – Led by Worship Leader Kathy Lehmxn
Announcements
Welcome & Call to Worship
Prelude Annie Steinxr
Psalm 51: 1-12
Opening Prayer

Praising
Congregational Singing Byron Kauffmxn
Confession of Faith Kathy Lehmax
With our offerings & Offertory Bill Barrxtt
Congregational Singing Praise Team

Proclaiming
Scripture Reading Colossians 3:13

Message “To Err is Human, To Forgive Divine” Pastor Chuck Swartz

Sharing – Led by Pastoral Team Pastor Cheryl Shxnk
Of our joys, requests, thanksgivings & responses

Pastoral Prayer

Sending
Sending song Byron Kauffmxn

Benediction Pastor Cheryl Shxnk

THIS WEEK

TODAY

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School Gathering

9:45 a.m. – Meeting of the Congregation – Session 4 “Spiritual Practices: practical side of things we do together” – with Steve Lxpp

10:40 a.m. – Worship with Pastor Chuck Swxrtz

Noon – Church potluck & subsequent Congregational Meeting in sanctuary

TUESDAY

6:30 p.m. – Everence Seminar at The Grxve

WEDNESDAY

4:15 p.m. – Our Daily Bread

SATURDAY

8:00 a.m. – Men’s Breakfast – Liberty Gathering Place

NEXT SUNDAY

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School Gathering

9:45 a.m. – Meeting of the Congregation – Preparation/discussion session for MCUSA Conference: Orlando, 2017 – with Steve and Miriam Lxpp

10:40 a.m. – Worship with Pastor Chuck Swxrtz

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The transitional prayer team recommends that the Bethel family makes personal Paul’s prayer from Ephesians 3:16-20. In addition, let us be reminded of one of the declarations made by them and ladies from the congregation: *We declare that HEALING is being released in us this day!*

Meal and Congregational Meeting Today – a Potluck and Congregational Meeting will be held today after morning worship. The congregation will review the newly proposed mission statements together. Have you taken the time to preview the samples on the bulletin board in the foyer?? (Or on today’s bulletin?) A vote will be held today to determine which will be selected. We will also discuss the ASTEP model and ballots will be created after the conclusion of the meeting to determine how we will proceed in the future. Please plan to attend. Thank you!! - Larry Evxns, Congregational Chair.

For next week - the entire congregation is invited to attend the special joint session in the sanctuary during the last 45 minutes of the Sunday School hour. Next session will be preparation/discussion session for MCUSA Conference: Orlando, 2017 – with Steve and Miriam Lxpp. Come and join!

Community Picnic with the Church of God – Will be held during the West Liberty Bicentennial Celebration July 9th, from 5-7p.m. at Lion’s Park. If you would like to help plan or help serve, contact Mary Newcomxr.

If you enjoy dulcimer music, two performances will be held at the Lion's Park during the West Liberty Bicentennial Celebration. Friday, July 7th the Home School Strings youth will play at 8pm, Sunday, July 9th the Peaceful Strings Dulcimer Club will play gospel tunes at 4pm.

Thank You!! – To our church family for the lovely blanket of Bethel. We shall cherish our fond memories and friendships forever. A special thanks to Fellowship and Mutual Care for the luncheon. - Jerry and Barb Lands

Seminar presented by Everence Financial Advisors – “Understanding your options with Medicare in 2017” will be held on Tuesday, June 27th at 6:30 p.m. at The Grxve – 123 N. Detroit St., West Liberty. Please RSVP by Monday, June 26th to

Thank You!! – Because of your support of the Garage Sale, Adriel raised more than \$8,000 to support the children and families being served by our foster care and family preservation programs. We greatly appreciate your involvement!

PRAYER & PRAISE NOTES

- **Please continue to pray** – Thank you SO MUCH for your prayers, cards and visits the past three weeks!!!! It is wonderful to have a praying and caring church like Bethel to help in crises times. Dennxs is home recovering, feeling better every day. Blessing to each of you! Forever grateful! The Sanfoxds
- **Prayer request for healing** – For Ray Swishxr, friend of Mark and Polly Thomxs. Ray’s surgery went as expected on Monday. Ray and his wife recognize God's hand is on Ray through the process. Continue to pray for healing and for patience with the adjustments he will face.
- **Please continue to pray** – for Willie Yodxr who had surgery to remove his gall bladder and is yet recuperating at Heartland.
- **Surround the Mennonite Church USA 2017 Convention in prayer** as it begins July 4th in Orlando, Florida. More than 3,000 youth, delegates and others are expected to attend.
- **Please pray** – for the Summer Peacebuilding Institute at Eastern Mennonite University as students from around the world gather this summer to learn, network, practice skills and grow in their perspectives of peacemaking.
- **Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary, Elkhart, Indiana** – This summer, five youth are serving in their home congregations for 100 hours as part of Explore: A Theological Program for High School Youth, an AMBS program. Pray that God would use these experiences to help shape and form them as Christ-followers and strengthen their leadership skills.