

## IMPORTANT NOTES

### Lenten Theme

### “Me & You & an Alternative View”

Worship: **next Sunday, March 25, 2018**

*Message* Naomi Yoder

*Scripture* Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29; John 12:12-16

*Childcare* Mindy & Naomi Schlegel

*Greencroft driver* Mike Eigsti 250-1046

### The Bread of Life Food Pantry

This week on Tuesday, March 13, we served 23 families and 87 individuals. Our Food Pantry is open every Tuesday from 9:00am – 12:00pm.

### Last Week by the Numbers - March 11, 2018

General Fund	\$3,234.50
Food Pantry	30.00
Scholarship Fund	150.00
Children's SS offering	7.00
Gladys Bontrager Miller Memorial Fund	175.00
Semilla	100.00
The Window	25.00

\$3,721.50

Amount needed each Sunday in 2018 for General Fund  
\$7,115.75

Attendance last Sunday 148



### WELCOME!

#### Worship Service

10:30 a.m.

#### Sunday School

9:30 a.m. for all age groups

#### Childcare

Age 5 and under  
Toddler room—lower level

#### Infant Nursery

Outside the sanctuary doors,  
(unstaffed)

#### Pastoral Team

##### Merle Hostetler

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##### Naomi Yoder

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9:00am to 12:00pm

You are welcome to call anytime  
to make an appointment. Occa-  
sionally pastoral responsibilities  
take pastors away from the  
office.

##### Church Staff

Office Administrator

##### Carol Birky

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Custodians

##### Ray & Jenny VanDaele

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Office hours  
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9:00 a.m.—12:30 p.m.

Please send information items for  
the *Pathways* newsletter to the  
church office by Thursday  
morning. The email address is  
[egmc@eastgoshenmc.org](mailto:egmc@eastgoshenmc.org).

## EGMC NEWS UPDATE

MARCH 18, 2018

**Senior Recitals...** Tabitha Immanuel's Senior Show in film and theatre is scheduled for April 25 at 8:00pm in Umble Center. There will be Indian snack food after the show, all are welcome!

**The Bel Canto singers of Hesston College** will present a diverse repertoire of choral music on Thursday, March 22, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. at Waterford Mennonite Church. The 29-member, mixed chamber choir is conducted by Dr. Russell Adrian and accompanied by Kenneth Rodgers. A Hesston College alumni reception with college update and Bel Canto student performances will be held following the concert, co-sponsored by Waterford and East Goshen Mennonite Churches.

#### From the Gifts Discernment Team...

Gary Miller was unanimously affirmed as an IN/MI conference at-large delegate for EGMC during the balloting process Sunday, March 4th. Thank you for your prayer support of the EGMC delegates who attended the regional conference meeting March 10th at Bethany Christian Schools.

NEWS AND NOTES

PATHWAYS

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- Sun. Mar. 18, 9:30am, MMN speaker during S.S. hour
- Sun. Mar. 18, 10:30 Worship, GC Parables
- Thurs. Mar. 22, 7:00pm, Hesston College Bel Canto Singers at Waterford Menn. Church
- Sun., Mar. 25, Young Adult Meal
- Thurs. Mar.29, 6:30pm, Maundy Thurs.
- Apr.1, 8:30am, Easter Morning Service, 9:00am, Breakfast 10:00am Worship

## IN OUR PRAYERS

*For Congregations and leaders* of IN-MI Mennonite Conference working at living into our renewed vision.

*Those in our community and congregation,* still dealing with damage from the flood.

*Evelyn Smith,* anticipating hip replacement surgery March 27.

*John Miller,* as he returns to Florida this week.

*Amos Hostetler,* recovering from a heart ablation procedure this week.

*Miriam Wengerd,* recovering from leg injuries.

*Lois Schrock,* facing ovarian cancer and considering treatments.

*Ida,* Food Pantry guest, having neck problems, may need surgery to replace rod in her spine.

*Juanita Thompson,* mother of Teresa Sherrill, for renewed strength.

*Sandy,* friend of Rhoda Stoesz, healing as she recovers from surgery.

*The family of Hannab (Grieser) Hochstetler,* may be held by the love of God and this community..

*Caleb Hochstetler,* for hope and healing .

*Martha & Wilbur Kaufman,* as they face life changes together.

### Those in other places

**Adrian, Susie and family** as they study scriptures with inquirers, as they work with refugees, and as they lead other disciple makers.

### Those unable to attend Sunday morning worship

Darlene Martin, Dale Sherman, Irene Meyer, Dennis Stoesz, Mary Ann Schrock, Martha Kaufman.

## IN OUR CONGREGATION

**The Northern Indiana Food Bank** inspectors were here this week for our annual inspection. They were very impressed with our organization and storage of food items. Thanks to our volunteers who faithfully work each week, and to our Director, Sara Chupp who keeps everything running smoothly.

**The annual Goshen College International Coffeehouse** is coming on Sat., March 24. This student-run event features a dinner at 5:15 pm in the College Mennonite Church Fellowship Hall and a family-friendly international variety show at 7:30 pm in Sauder Hall (Music Center). Tickets for this fund-raiser are available from the Music Center (535-7566) or online ([www.goshen.edu/tickets](http://www.goshen.edu/tickets)). Adults: \$20 (dinner & show), \$14 show only; students & children: \$14 (dinner & show), \$6 show only. This entertaining event promotes international friendship and also will be raising money for the local DACA-Dreamer support fund. Thank you for your support!

**Friends of MCC International Potluck:** As someone interested in the work of Mennonite Central Committee, you are warmly invited to join us for a Friends of MCC International Potluck at 6:00 p.m. on Friday, April 13, at [East Goshen Mennonite Church](#), 17861 State Rd 4, in Goshen. Special guest speakers will be Doug Hostetter, current director of the MCC United Nations Office, and Thien Tran, Vietnamese intern in the MCC U.N. office sharing about the past and present work of MCC in Vietnam. Please RSVP by Apr. 10 at 574-534-4133 or to [lmg@mcc.org](mailto:lmg@mcc.org).

**County Jail Dessert Banquet....** Tuesday, April 24th, 7:00pm Maple City Chapel will host this years 2018 Dessert Banquet to support the Elkhart Co. Jail Ministry. As a way to support the jail ministries we would like to fill a table or two with our EGMC people! If you are interested in being one of these persons, please contact the church office by April 15 with your reservation.

**Pathways Retreat offers their annual Stations of the Cross during Holy Week, March 25-31.** Come walk our wooded trails during daylight hours, no registration necessary. A golf cart (reserved in advance) makes the Stations accessible to all. Stations of the Resurrection will begin on Easter Sunday. See [www.pathwaysretreat.org](http://www.pathwaysretreat.org) for more information.

**A Bird Walk Series,** facilitated by Annie Aguirre, will take place at Pathways Retreat (309 1/2 Hackett Rd, Goshen): Sundays, March 18, April 8 & 15 at 4:00pm. Come for one or all of the walks happening during the spring migrations season. There is no registration; a donation of \$5-10 per walk is appreciated. See [www.pathwaysretreat.org](http://www.pathwaysretreat.org) for more information.

## IN OUR COMMUNITY

**The Anabaptist Disabilities Network (ADN)** Board of Directors seeks a visionary leader to be the ADN public face to constituents, supporters, and congregations. Proven faith-based fundraising and constituent cultivation ability required. A heart for inclusion of persons with disabilities and their families in the life of the church is a must. The ability to regularly connect with regional congregations, supporters, and develop ADN volunteer networks nationwide. See [ADNetOnline.org/About/Pages/Staff-openings](http://ADNetOnline.org/About/Pages/Staff-openings) for more information, or contact Anabaptist Disabilities Network at 574-343-1362.

**You are invited to a Fiesta Feast:** Support the Center for Healing & Hope and enjoy a Mexican meal at the annual Fiesta Feast, Saturday, April 14, 5-7 pm, at College Mennonite Church, 1900 S. Main Street in Goshen. It's a delicious opportunity to support the mission of the Center, providing medical care for the uninsured and support programs for our immigrant neighbors. Tickets are \$20 for adults; \$10 for children, or \$200 for a table for eight. Purchase tickets at [CHHclinics.org](http://CHHclinics.org) or call 574-534-4744.

**Wounded Lovers: Embracing our Sexuality.** This Mennonite Men retreat will create a safe space for men to reclaim God's gift of sexuality, address their shadow, and embrace who they are as spiritual and sexual men who long for loving relationships with others in life. Led by Steve Thomas, Coordinator for Mennonite Men, the retreat is Saturday, April 28 at Pathways Retreat in Goshen, Indiana. For information, go to [pathwaysretreat.org/wounded-lovers-mens-retreat](http://pathwaysretreat.org/wounded-lovers-mens-retreat) or contact Steve at [SteveT@MennoniteMen.org](mailto:SteveT@MennoniteMen.org).

**URGENT NEED FOR HOUSEWARMER PROJECTS!** MW USA partners with Mennonite Disaster Service to provide hand-crafted wall-hangings for each re-built home dedication. Because of extremely high demand, the supply of wall hangings is depleted. The wall-hangings become a treasured, beautiful reminder of the way MDS and MW USA care for those who have struggled with disaster. Becky reports that she is regularly sending several wall-hangings per month to the Mennonite Disaster Service home office in Lititz, PA for distribution by project managers to homeowners. Please find full instructions for sewing and sending a quilted wall-hanging on our website. [office@mwusa.org](mailto:office@mwusa.org)