

## IMPORTANT NOTES

### IHN Schedule at St. Mark's Methodist

East Goshen Mennonite. April 22-29, 2018

Worship: **next Sunday, April 29, 2018**

#### Discernment Series

*"I am Your Servant; Give me Understanding"*

*Message* Merle Hostetler

*Scripture* John 15:1-8; Psalm 119:49-56

*Childcare* Mindy & Naomi Schlegel

*Greencroft driver* Ken Mullett 202-8580

### The Bread of Life Food Pantry

This week on Tuesday, April 17, we served 15 families and 54 individuals. Our Food Pantry is open every Tuesday from 9:00am – 12:00pm.

#### Last Week by the Numbers - April 15, 2018

General Fund	\$7,030.29
Food Pantry	35.00
Scholarship Fund	300.00
Adrian & Susie	100.00
S. S. offering	11.30
	<u>\$7,476.59</u>

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

Attendance last Sunday 150



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

#### Church Staff

Office Administrator

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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

APRIL 22, 2018

NEWS AND NOTES

### "I am Your Servant; Give Me Understanding": Discernment Series

Our current worship series, which started April 8, And will continue through May 13th, focus is on discernment. Using texts from Psalm 119 and the Gospel of John, we're looking at ways of tuning ourselves to God's guidance in our lives. As part of that emphasis on making space to hear God's Spirit, we've simplified Sunday worship services--no bulletins, fewer words, more music, times for reflection. We invite you to take this time to listen, to worship, and, as God's servants, to ask God for understanding.

**Change the date....** Our usual Second Sunday carry-in for the month of May will be changed to the first Sunday, May 6, due to Mother's Day falling on the second Sunday. Please bring well filled baskets to share so that everyone has plenty of food.

**Reminder.... The Pastoral Resource Team** has developed a pastoral review form for Pastor Naomi Yoder to guide an evaluation of her ministry in early May. Please complete the form by April 30th and place in Dorothy Mertz's mailbox or return to the church office. Thank you in advance for your thoughtful responses.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- Apr. 22-29 Host IHN @ St. Mark's
- Sun. Apr. 22, Young Adult Noon Meal
- Sun. Apr. 22, 1:30pm, MYF Investors
- Mon. Apr. 23, 6:30pm, Small group ministry
- Wed. Apr. 25, 5:30pm J-Frog Sponsors
- Apr. 27-30, Naomi out of the office
- Wed. May 2, 9:00am Women's Sewing
- Wed. May 2, 7:00pm MYF & J-Frogs
- Sat. May 5, 8:00-12:00, IN-MI Conf. Women's May Gathering

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## IN OUR PRAYERS

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

*Ann, Food Pantry guest whose husband of 23 yrs has left her, she lost her job this week.*

*Chad Mason, recovering from a heart procedure on Tuesday.*

*Judith, Food Pantry guest who recently had throat surgery, is struggling with health issues and is still unable to talk.*

*Evelyn Smith & family, as Evelyn continues to recover from her hip surgery.*

*Rebecca, Food Pantry guest, whose family is having a difficult time.*

*Lois Schrock & family, undergoing chemotherapy treatments in Chicago for ovarian cancer.*

*Juanita Thompson, mother of Teresa Sherrill, for healing, hope, and strength amidst pain after hip surgery.*

*Sandy, friend of Rhoda Stoesz, as she continues to make decisions about her health, and for Rhoda as she supports her friend.*

*The family of Hannah (Grieser) Hochstetler, for the light of Christ in the darkness of loss.*

*Caleb Hochstetler, as he works toward healing, both physical and spiritual, while also discerning his future.*

*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.

**Our college grads this year....** Prayers for the next steps beyond college. Monica Miller, Tabitha Immanuel, Gabriel Eisenbeis, Julian Harnish, and Katie Shank.

## IN OUR CONGREGATION

**Congratulations .....** Amanda Yoder (daughter of Roger & Rhonda) and Jacob Nolan were united in marriage yesterday here at EGMC. We wish them God's rich blessings as they begin this new chapter in life.

It is time to start thinking about and planning for **Children's Summer Sunday School!** I am currently looking for a volunteer to organize summer Sunday School season which will go from the start of June through the end of August. This can be organized in a variety of ways. If you are interested, please see Jenna Prahl. Thanks!

The next **"Emotional Health and Entering into Scripture"** meeting will be the 1st Saturday of the month, May 5, from 12:00 - 1:30p.m. Scripture will be Mark 1: 21-28: ..."They were astounded at his [Jesus] teaching, for he taught as one having authority"..If you want to receive the format for this next meeting, please contact Dennis Stoesz. Use Lower Level (Back) Entrance; the meeting is held in Sunday School Room #101.

**Ladies.....** You are invited to Clinton Frame Sewing and Fellowship Guest Day. Wednesday, May 2, at 9am to 3pm in the Clinton Frame Fellowship Hall. Come enjoy a day of quilting, knotting, sewing while enjoying a day of fellowship. See poster on the bulletin board for details.

**The Troyer prayer team** will be meeting at Roger and Dorothy Mertz's on Monday, April 30th at 7:00 pm. If unable to attend, please pray for them and their ministry wherever you are.

**Address.....** Please remember Lois Schrock with prayers and notes of encouragement as she goes through her cancer treatments. Her current address is P.O. Box 1526, Middlebury, IN 46540.

**Updated address....** Frances (Darlene) Martin has moved into Millers Merry Manor, her updated address is Millers Merry Manor, Rose Pod, Rm 9, 300 N. Washington, Wakarusa, IN 46573. On April 23 she will be celebrating her 93rd birthday. Let's shower her with our best wishes.

**IN/MI Mennonite Women's May Gathering:** Saturday, May 5 we will be gathering at East Goshen Mennonite Church to share in conversation, inspiration and brunch. Come and fellowship with friends from other congregations and hear Carol Honderich share about a special 'Women of the Bible' quilt she has made. She will be sharing about women from the Bible and from our community. Arrive between 8:30-9, with the program beginning at 9am. We will have brunch mid-morning and conclude our time around 11:45.

## IN OUR COMMUNITY



**North/East Goshen Vacation Bible School**  
June 18-22, 2018 6:00 pm - 8:15 pm

### "Peace Lab: Discover God's Way of Peace!"

North Goshen Mennonite Church and East Goshen are partnering again to offer Vacation Bible School to children ages 4 through Grade 8. We are currently looking for volunteers to fill positions for teaching, working with music, coordinating snacks, registration, creative response, and childcare. If you are interested in helping in any way, or you have questions, please stop by the VBS table in the foyer. -Mary Hostetler 538-7581

**Goshen Interfaith Hospitality Network** is having a dedication of our fixed site, St. Mark's United Methodist Church along with a Volunteer Appreciation Event today from 2-4 pm. The prayer dedication will begin at 2:00 with the Appreciation event beginning at 2:30. Ice cream sundaes will be served.

**Bethany Christian Middle School** will perform Bedtime Stories and Beware the Jabberworkcy at 7 p.m. Friday and Saturday, May 4 and 5. Tickets, \$5 for adults and \$3 for students, may be purchased online beginning April 16 at [bethanycs.net/tickets](http://bethanycs.net/tickets). Synopsis: Mom's sick, so Dad tells his three rambunctious kids their bedtime stories; but when he gets fuzzy on the details, the classics get creative. You may think you know your fairy tales, but not the way Dad tells them. Come see cast members Morgan Chupp and Caleb Mast in their first MS performance.

### IN-MI Mennonite congregations:

When God calls someone to ministry, a journey begins. Perhaps you are on that journey. Perhaps you are looking for mentors and companions along the way. Indiana-Michigan Conference invites you to join **Journey: A Missional Leadership Development Program**. This program is for pastors and other congregational leaders who are called without specific training for ministry or who are exploring a call to pastoral ministry. The deadline to apply for fall 2018 is July 17. Visit [www.ambs.edu/journey](http://www.ambs.edu/journey). For more information contact Dan Miller at [dan@im.mennonite.net](mailto:dan@im.mennonite.net) or at 574 534 4006.