

## IMPORTANT NOTES

**Sunday, July 25, 2021**

*Dying Like Grain, Bearing Much Fruit:  
The People of God Transformed*

*Message* Spiritual Leadership Council (SLC) Sharing  
*Scripture* John 12:24

### The Bread of Life Food Pantry

This week on Tuesday, July 13 The Food Pantry served 15 families, including 57 individuals. The Food Pantry will remain open each Tuesday morning from 9:00am to 12:00pm . We are using a “drive through” method in order to best serve our guests. Please pray for our guests and the faithful volunteers who come to serve each week.

### Last Week by the Numbers - July 11, 2021

Thank you for sending your tithes and offering by mail or online. The mail is collected regularly and a deposit made each Wednesday. Working together enables us to continue to support the services we provide.

General Fund	\$12,215.35
Food Pantry	640.00
MCC	100.00
Church Expansion Fund	10,000.00
Total	\$22,955.35

Amount needed per Sunday for 2021 General Fund \$7,565.23  
Amount currently behind projected budget (\$12,512.64)

The second quarter financial report is completed and is available in the “Financial statements” mailbox in the foyer. (Right side, top row).



WELCOME!

Zoom Worship Service Church Staff  
9:30 a.m. Office Administrator  
**Carol Birky**

Pastoral Team

**Merle Hostetler**  
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You are welcome to call anytime to make an appointment. Occasionally pastoral responsibilities take pastors away from the office.

**Church office hours are 9:00am -12:30pm office each weekday morning.**  
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Custodians  
**Ray & Jenny VanDaele**

Church Treasurer  
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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).

## IN OUR CONGREGATION

**July Worship Services:** We plan to meet at 10:30 in the sanctuary each week for worship, and will continue to monitor COVID counts and CDC guidelines. Watch for email notification of any changes. We will also continue the Zoom services for those who cannot attend in person.

**Fall Book Study:** A four-session book study of the book “*Speak Your Peace*” (2020 Herald Press) is being planned for our congregation by Christian Formation Ministry. This book study will be led by its author Ron Sider, who will join us virtually on Sunday evenings at 7:00 pm starting August 29. An ordained minister in both Mennonite and Brethren in Christ denominations, Sider lives in eastern Pennsylvania. To obtain this book, you can either order your own copy, or buy one through the church office (\$15).

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- Men’s Fellowship Lunch, every Thurs, 11:30am. Amos Hostetler’s backyard
- Birthdays & Anniversaries this week**
  - July 18, Alma Bontrager, Milad Hanna  
Teresa Sherrill  
David & Haly King
  - July 19, Jackie Berkey
  - July 21, Joel & Sarah Holsopple
  - July 23, Norma Kaufman
  - July 24, Diane Bertsche,  
Mike & Janice Eigsti  
Abe & Iris Rolon
  - July 25, Millard & Sheila Graber

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NEWS AND NOTES

## IN OUR PRAYERS

*Our congregation*, as we discern what God is calling us to release and what God is calling us to cultivate.

*Tony Wood*, father of Lisa & Michael Wood, recovering from a stroke, dealing with kidney failure, and facing further challenges after a fall.

*Becky Mishler*, Connie Miller's sister, in her chemo treatments, scans show good progress but there are still several spots on her lungs. She is thankful for the cards and prayers.

*Zaiden Eiler*, grandson of Phil & Barb, has had a cardiac stress test, Reports show some issues but they hope to delay any surgery until he is older.

*Evelyn Smith*, who remains in failing health. Please remember both the Hanna & Smith families.

*Orie & Miriam Schrock*, as Orie's health declines and Miriam cares for him in their home.

*Norene Myers*, sister of Gary Kauffman, as she receives treatment for cancer. Please pray for healing for Norene and comfort and strength for the family.

*Bruce Bishop*, as he deals with kidney and other health difficulties.

*Bill Sexton*, Judy Gerzeski's brother, dealing with lung issues.

*Our Food Pantry*: Sara Chupp and other volunteers as they carry on the weekly distribution of food to our community.

### **Remembering those in other places:**

**Rosa Powell** is attending The Wilderness Way Girls' School Camp in South Carolina. Rosalinda Powell  
c/o Wilderness Camp  
175 Camp School Lane  
Fair Play, SC 29643

**Caleb & Nina Longenecker Fox:** in Quito, Ecuador

**Adrian, Susie and family,** as they transition to Djibouti.

**Indiana Michigan Mennonite Conference Weekly Prayer Focus:**  
New Foundation United in Christ, Elkhart, IN

## IN OUR CONGREGATION

**Congratulations!** Jamie Graber and Betsy Long are being united in marriage today.

**Church Membership and Baptism:** If you are interested in church membership and/or being baptized, contact one of the pastors.

**Lacasa's Help-A-House service day for EGMC** is scheduled for August 7, 2021. Volunteers age 14 and older are welcome to help make a positive change for someone in our community. Please contact a member of the Mission Ministry Team as soon as possible: Gwen Hershberger, Naomi Yoder, Jeff Kauffman, Michael Grieser. Thank you for considering!

**Breaking Bread Groups** will once again be formed in August and start in September. This is an opportunity to get to know new people in our congregation and use the scripture used in planning the Sunday worship services to facilitate discussion on the passages. A survey will be coming out soon. We ask that you please take the time to fill it out so groups can be formed in a timely manner. If you are not interested in being in a group, it would be helpful to know why. If you would consider being a leader, please get in contact with Barb Welty, Dru Mack or Dorothy Mertz.

**Goshen College's Merry Lea Environmental Learning Center** (Wolf Lake, Ind.) offers many hands-on summer educational opportunities for adults and children, including Tales & Trails, Boating & Birding Family Workshop, and Nature Pre-K programs. Visit [goshen.edu/merrylea](http://goshen.edu/merrylea) to learn more!

**Looking for a fun family get-away this summer, but not too far away?** Amigo is hosting two weeks of Family Camp, July 18-22 and July 25-29. Call 269-651-2811 to sign up. Contact [colton@amigocentre.org](mailto:colton@amigocentre.org) for more information.

**Amigo Park** is taking reservations for summer 2021 (to mid-October). Call or email to inquire about availability. Phone: 269-651-2734 or email: [amigopark@amigocentre.org](mailto:amigopark@amigocentre.org)  
We continue to celebrate 50 years of Outdoor Environmental Education at Amigo. Check our website for additional details for ways you can come celebrate with us this summer!

- July 23, 4-6 pm, "Food in Foil"
- July 22 & 23, Full Moon Campfire

<https://www.amigocentre.org/oe-50th-anniversary-calendar-of-events.html>

## OUR CONGREGATION & COMMUNITY

**Indiana-Michigan Mennonite Conference (IMMC)** has an employment opportunity for an Administrative Coordinator at .80 FTE. Applicants must have a belief in Christ's transforming power for all people, an appreciation for the local church as an expression of God's reign, and an understanding of administration as pastoral care. They will relate with diverse cultures with strong intercultural competence, managing and making decisions consistent with IMMC's stated mission and vision. Underrepresented groups are strongly encouraged to apply. Contact [imoffice@im.mennonite.net](mailto:imoffice@im.mennonite.net) or call 574-534-4006 for a job description. To apply, send resume to [sharon@im.mennonite.net](mailto:sharon@im.mennonite.net).

### **Michiana Mennonite Relief Sale Announcements:**

- Plan to attend a fundraising banquet to support the MMRS on Thursday, August 19, at 6:00 pm, at the Essenhaus Inn and Conference Center in Middlebury. Sponsor a table of 8 (\$225), or purchase individual tickets for \$30. Download a reservation form online ([www.mennonitesale.com](http://www.mennonitesale.com)) or call 888-503-8559. Reservations are due August 1.
- Interested in sewing? We are looking for leadership for the Sewing Box at the sale: organizing, pricing, selling fabric, notions, and craft books. If interested, call Helen Glick at 330-763-4980.
- Quilt auction items: If possible, deliver items before August 20 for photography. The auction will be live at the fairgrounds AND live on the web this year! Call Helen Glick for drop off: 330-763-4980. Also needed: volunteers to display quilts, bag and distribute to buyers, and more, during the sale.
- Practice begins August 1 for the Relief Sale choirs and continues every Sunday (except Sept. 5) from 3:00 to 4:30 pm at College Mennonite Church. The new men's director is Stephen Lowe and Shirl Bontrager returns as director of the women's choir. The choirs will combine for several pieces as well.
- Attention all runners and walkers! Now is a good time to think about completing a 5k or 2k run or walk at the 2021 Relief Sale and celebrate an in-person event after missing out last year! Check out our race web site: <https://runsignup.com/Race/IN/Goshen/MCCRunForRelief>. Check out the MMRS website ([www.mennonitesale.com](http://www.mennonitesale.com)) to register at this link, download a mail-in registration form, and other information. You can also register in person at the sale Friday evening or Saturday morning. The registration fee remains a reasonable \$25 with a T-shirt or \$20 without a T-shirt.