

## IMPORTANT NOTES

**Sunday, August 8, 2021**

*Passionately Following Jesus,*

*Living into our Vision*

*Message* Naomi Yoder

*Scripture* Matthew 4: 18-23; Matthew 28: 18-20

### The Bread of Life Food Pantry

This week on Tuesday, July 27 The Food Pantry served 7 families, including 39 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 25, 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.

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|---------------------------------|------------|
| General Fund                    | \$5,728.00 |
| Food Pantry                     | 300.00     |
| JEG Foundation (Silas Immanuel) | 200.00     |
| Adrian & Susie                  | 100.00     |

Total \$6,328.00

Amount needed per Sunday for 2021 General Fund \$7,565.23  
Amount currently behind projected budget (\$18,095.70)

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.

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**Church office hours are 9:00am**

**-12:30pm office each weekday**

**morning.**

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Custodians

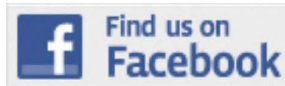
**Ray & Jenny VanDaele**

You are welcome to call anytime to make an appointment.

Occasionally pastoral responsibilities take pastors away from the office.

Church Treasurer

**Ina Kauffman**



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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

**August Worship Services:** We meet at 10:30 in the sanctuary each week for worship, and will continue to monitor COVID Counts and CDC guidelines. We will also continue the Zoom services for those who cannot attend in person. Starting this Sunday, half of the seating will Be spaced out, the other half is fully assembled.

**Attention Quilters!** Starting on Monday, August 8 at 9:00am there will be a quilt set up at Edna Hoover’s house to quilt on in preparation for the Relief Sale. Plan to meet each Monday, bring your own lunch. If you have questions, contact Edna Hoover or Sheril Mullett.

**MCC School Kits** - East Goshen is excited to once again raise money for MCC School Kits! This year we will be collecting all donations on one Sunday - August 8th. Monetary donations will be collected during the service or they can be designated through your offering. If you'd prefer, you can donate school supplies according to the required list online that can be dropped at the church any time this week or on Sunday. <https://mcc.org/get-involved/kits/school> Thank you in advance for your generosity and we will be excited to update you on how many school kits we are able to provide for MCC!

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- Men’s Fellowship Lunch, every Thurs, 11:30am. Amos Hostetler’s backyard

### Birthdays & Anniversaries this week

Aug. 2, Gary & Lisa Yoder

Aug. 4, Bill Hershberger, Joe Yoder

Aug. 5, Sara Mast

James & Deb Powell

Aug. 6, Caleb Yoder

Aug. 7, Jana Yoder, Sam Woelk

Aug. 8, Michael Grieser

Aug. 9, Jeff & Beth Miller

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## IN OUR PRAYERS

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

*Millard & Sheila Graber's granddaughter, Joyce*, (Parents are Paul & Amy) is scheduled for open heart surgery at Riley Hospital on August 13.

*Naomi Helmuth*, as she deals with health issues related to her cardiac medications.

*Tony Wood*, father of Lisa & Michael Wood, recovering from a stroke, dealing with kidney failure.

*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 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**:  
Ninth Street Community Church, Saginaw, MI

## IN OUR CONGREGATION

**New address:** The Ropp's have moved to PA. Their new address is Matthew & Rachel Ropp & family, 1003 Georgetown Rd. Paradise, PA. 17562. Their email address and phone numbers remain the same as listed in the current directory.

**Thank you** for all the prayers, cards, and acts of kindness through my esophagus treatments. My last treatment shows great improvement. The top third is healed. PTL!!!! I will continue treatments every other month until the middle and lower sections are clear. Zaiden also wants to say thank you for praying for him during his heart tests. He will continue to be monitored until he has more heart surgery around age 12. The Eilers

**New grandbaby arrived!** Vern & Tammy Gerber are excited to announce that their grandson, Spencer Gerber, was born July 21 at 6:31pm. to Heath and Krystal. Everyone is doing well.

We are excited to announce **Breaking Bread groups** are being planned for this fall. We will be sending a group email out on Monday with the link to the survey. We are excited to have groups start in September and want you to be a part of them. Please use the link to the survey to let us know your plans. We are still looking for a few more leaders. If you are willing to lead a group please indicate that on the survey. Please return your survey by August 13th

**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 the Mennonite Church, Sider lives in eastern Pennsylvania. To obtain this book, you can either order your own copy, or buy one through the church office (\$15).

**Financial Assistance:** We invite anyone who is interested to help support Silas Immanuel as he starts at Goshen College this fall. We are hoping to contribute \$2000.00 per year to his tuition. Checks can be written to East Goshen with JEG Foundation/Silas in the subject line. Sheila or Millard Graber,

**Lower level kitchen**, there are several food items in the kitchen that have been there quite some time. Please claim them if they are yours. Do not leave food items on the counter. Janitor, Jenny

## OUR CONGREGATION & COMMUNITY

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

- **Practice begins today**, 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.
- **Kids Carnival!** Both Friday & Saturday, we are looking for Jr. youth, youth groups, or adult Sunday school classes to adopt a booth. What does that mean? Just that you agree to staff the booth with 1 or 2 people per shift. That's it! There are a total of four shifts; ● Friday from 5:00-6:30 and 6:30-8:00 ● Saturday from 8:00-10:00 and 10:00-12:00 Contact Sonya Overman [preschoolsonya@gmail.com](mailto:preschoolsonya@gmail.com) to sign up. First response gets first choice of games. See posters on the bulletin board for more information on this fun project for the Kids!

**You are invited** to join me in attending "*Breakfast with the Chaplin*" a monthly open meeting the last Thursday of each month, hosted by Cory Martin, Chaplain at the Elkhart Co. Jail. There is free coffee and donuts, a time of updating what is happening by Cory, and a story shared by one of the inmates. I'd love to have anyone join me who might be interested in learning more or perhaps feeling a nudge to explore ways to become involved. Folks attending gather there at 8:00am, are ready to go back to the meeting room at 8:30 am, and things are wrapped up by 9:30 am. Please contact me if interested in attending. Kathy Holsopple

**MCC urgently needs sewing kits!** Our supply of sewing kits has been depleted, and we need your help to fulfill requests from our partners. In many places where MCC works, sewing skills open doors to additional income that can help a family make ends meet. These kits are often given through MCC-supported programs that teach sewing or tailoring and provide the tools to make and mend clothing or to begin a business. For more information, including a list of kit contents, visit [mcc.org/kits/sewing](http://mcc.org/kits/sewing). Completed kits can be dropped off or mailed to the Goshen Material Resources Center at The Depot (1013 Division Street, Goshen, IN 46528) Contact the MCC Great Lakes office at 574-534-4071 or [GreatLakes@mcc.org](mailto:GreatLakes@mcc.org) with questions.

**Due to various concerns surrounding COVID-19 and vaccination levels, the MCC Great Lakes Comforter Bash in Goshen will not be held in person this fall.** However, Packets with materials available for you to make comforters at home or in small groups in your churches and communities can be picked up at The Depot (door #2) Monday-Thursday from 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. or by appointment by calling 574.534.4071. For more information, visit [mcc.org/goshen-comforter-bash](http://mcc.org/goshen-comforter-bash).