

## IMPORTANT NOTES

**Sunday, August 22, 2021**

*Passionately Following Jesus*

*Invite*

*Message* Naomi Yoder

*Scripture* John 1: 12-13; John 1: 43-51

### The Bread of Life Food Pantry

This week on Tuesday, August 10 The Food Pantry served 14 families, including 48 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 - August 8, 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	\$10,440.00
Food Pantry	25.00
Adult Study books (Speak your Peace)	30.00
MCC school kits	690.00
JEG (Silas)	650.00
MCC sewing kits	20.00
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Total	\$ 11,855.00

Amount needed per Sunday for 2021 General Fund \$7,565.23  
Amount currently behind projected budget (\$8,307.96)



WELCOME!

Worship Service

In Person and Online  
10:30 a.m.

Pastoral Team

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



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Custodians  
**Ray & Jenny VanDaele**

Church Treasurer  
**Ina Kauffman**

**Assistance Available**  
There are large print hymnals available on the Welcome Center.. For a hearing assistance device, stop by the tech booth in the northwest corner of the sanctuary.

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 10:30am in the sanctuary each week for worship. Due to increased COVID counts we ask that masks be worn at all times. Zoom services will also continue for those who cannot attend in person.

**Our Worship Focus** is on our church vision statement “*Passionately Following Jesus*”. Mentors and their Mentees are serving as worship leaders and scripture readers. We are grateful for these relationships where the mentor serves as trusted connection to the church that points the mentee toward Jesus. Thank you to each one who is participating through this series.

**Fall Quarter Sunday School materials:** The Sunday School theme is “God’s Approachable Community”. For the adult classes that use the MennoMedia materials, your quarterlies are in your mailbox.

**Services for Fred Greenawalt:** A time of visitation is scheduled at Yoder-Culp Funeral Home on Sat. Aug. 21 from 1:00-5:00pm. The funeral service is scheduled for Sunday, Aug. 22 at EGMC at 2:00pm. All are welcome, masks are requested at all times. The service will also be livestreamed through the link in his obituary.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

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

### Birthdays & Anniversaries this week

- Aug. 15, Matthew Snyder
- Aug. 17, Landon Slabaugh, Maria Woelk
- Aug. 18, Ivannia Graber, Mike Sherrill  
David & Jennifer Graber
- Aug. 19, Shirley Schrock  
Joe & Jan Yoder
- Aug. 21, Jenny VanDaele  
Bruce & Janet Schlabach

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## IN OUR PRAYERS

*Our congregation*, for continued attentiveness to Christ's calling.

*Fred Greenawalt family*, as they grieve the loss and celebrate the life of their beloved spouse, father, grandfather and friend.

*Julianna*, cousin of Naomi's mother Thea Yoder, as Julianna is recovering from major cancer surgery.

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

*Naomi Helmuth*, as she works at treatment for blood loss.

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

*Evelyn & Maurice Smith*, as Evelyn acclimates to healthcare at Greencroft, and as she is now on Hospice.

*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.

*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:**  
Parkview Mennonite Church, Kokomo, IN

## IN OUR CONGREGATION

**New Address:** Evelyn Smith is now at Greencroft in Vista Rm. 242. Her mailing address is 1225 Greencroft Dr., Goshen, IN 46526.

**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.

**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. continuing on Sept. 12, 19 and 26. Sider lives in eastern Pennsylvania with his wife Arbutus. To obtain this book, you can either order your own copy, or buy one through the church office (\$15).

**AMBS:** We've got an exciting lineup of fall courses. Our 15 campus courses include:

- Earthkeeping (new!)
- Somatic Spiritual Practices (Aug. 31 – Oct. 12 only)
- Faith Formation and Spirituality: Youth and Young Adults
- God's Shalom and the Church's Witness
- Christian Attitudes Toward War, Peace and Revolution
- Luke-Acts: Gospeling Peace Amid Empire (new!)
- Introduction to Peace Studies and Nonviolence
- Introduction to Bible Study Tools
- Preaching  
and more!

These courses will meet in person Aug. 31 – Dec. 10; tuition is due Aug. 23. Nonadmitted students get 50% off their first course for credit! Some courses may be audited. See the full list of courses (including distance-friendly options) and their descriptions at [ambbs.edu/onecourse](https://ambbs.edu/onecourse).

A group of concerned parents have started a petition for **Goshen Community Schools** to take additional protective measures in the schools. We invite parents, guardians, caregivers, teachers, and staff of current Goshen Community School Students to consider adding their names to this petition. Thanks! Heather Esteban  
<https://www.thepetitionsite.com/328/175/862/mask-mandates-for-students-in-goshen-community-schools-1/>

## OUR CONGREGATION & COMMUNITY

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

- **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!
- **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.

**Ten Thousand Villages:** As we gear up for the upcoming holiday season, we'd like to invite you to check out our "Vintage Villages" Auction this year. This year is special because we are celebrating 75 years of being a Fair Trade Organization. With this auction, we have a special showcase item created by local ceramicist, Justin Rothshank. We partnered with him to create a platter that showcases our anniversary year, as well as showcases his creative work. Join us this year in celebrating 75 years of fair trade and sign up as a bidder for this year's Vintage Villages auction at: <https://charityauction.bid/ttv-vintage-villages21>. 10% of funds raised will be donated to the Michiana Mennonite Relief Sale coming up in September.

**Pathways Retreat** will hold its second annual online silent auction August 21 - 28 with an open house on August 28, 1-4pm. Ruth Judy will be leading a workshop "Spirituality, Creativity, and Transformation in the Second Half of Life" beginning in the fall. Daily prayers resume in August and are offered both online and in-person. Find more information at [pathwaysretreat.org](https://pathwaysretreat.org).