

IMPORTANT NOTES

Sunday, August 29, 2021

Passionately Following Jesus
Equip

Message Naomi Yoder

Scripture Luke 9: 1-6; Ephesians 4: 11-14

The Bread of Life Food Pantry

This week on Tuesday, August 17 The Food Pantry served 10 families, including 50 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 15, 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	\$7,991.00
Food Pantry	20.00
Adult Study books (Speak your Peace)	30.00
	<hr/>
Total	\$ 8,041.00

Amount needed per Sunday for 2021 General Fund	\$7,565.23
Amount currently behind projected budget	(\$7,882.05)



WELCOME!

Worship Service

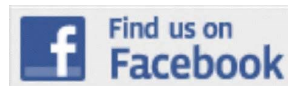
In Person and Online
10:30 a.m.

Pastoral Team

Merle Hostetler
574 849-4654
merleh@eastgoshenmc.org

Naomi Yoder
865-924-3983
naomiy@eastgoshenmc.org

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



www.eastgoshenmc.org

2019 E. Lincoln Ave.
Goshen, IN 46528
egmc@eastgoshenmc.org

Church Staff

Office Administrator
Carol Birky

Church office hours are 9:00am -12:30pm office each weekday morning.
carolb@eastgoshenmc.org

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.

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: 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. 24, Janet Schlabach
Aug.26, Paul Graber
Carl & Betty Jane Helrich
Aug. 27, Sheila Graber
Aug. 28, Mike & Phyllis Weaver
Aug. 31, Dave & Sara Chupp

AUGUST 22, 2021

NEWS AND NOTES

PATHWAYS

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 back home recovering from open heart surgery. We are very grateful for people's prayers and that everything went well. Appreciate continued prayers for recovery.

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 Green-croft, 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:
Peace Community, Detroit, MI

IN OUR CONGREGATION

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. In preparation for this series read chapters 1-3 for the first session. Sept 12: read chapters 4-7, Sept 19: chapters 8-10 and Sept 26: chapters 11-14. The author is planning a 10-15 minute summary of the relevant chapters and then is hoping for a vigorous discussion following that.

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 [ambseu.org/onecourse](https://www.ambseu.org/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 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) 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 auction is Live and it's time to make bids! 10% of the funds raised from this auction will go to support the Michiana Mennonite Relief Sale. We have a showcase item by Justin Rothshank that's getting lots of bids! There are many items that still haven't been bid on and you could be the winning bid on multiple items! The auction closes, Sunday, August 22 at 9pm! Get your hard to find villages items today! Visit www.bit.ly/ttv-f21 for more information!

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.

You can provide relief in Haiti: The people of Haiti need our help. Families who have already suffered so much have been hit once again. The 7.2 magnitude earthquake killed at least 1,300 people and injured many more. Thousands are sleeping outside, with little food and no protection from the elements. With your help, we can reach the people most affected by this tragic event. Your gifts will provide emergency support. Donate today at mcc.org/haiti-earthquake.