

IMPORTANT NOTES

Sunday, October 24, 2021

Peaceful Practices: Authenticity and Transformation

Message Jes Stoltzfus Buller

Scripture Matthew 11: 15-19; Luke 10: 38-42

Matthew 13: 10-15

Breaking Bread Groups

The BBG Scripture for this week is Luke 10: 38-42

May God bless each of these groups to be spaces for deep connection with God and one another. If you are still interested in joining a group, please contact Dru Mack, Dorothy Mertz, or Barb and Arlen Welty.

The Bread of Life Food Pantry

This week on Tuesday, October 12 The Food Pantry served 12 families, including 59 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 - October 10, 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	\$14,465.00
Adrian & Susie	200.00
Food Pantry	20.00
Amigo Retreat donation	220.00
JEG Foundation	100.00
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Total	\$15,005.00

Amount needed per Sunday for 2021 General Fund	\$7,565.23
Amount currently behind projected budget	(\$1,560.87)



WELCOME!

Worship Service

In Person and Online

10:30 a.m.

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.



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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

Worship this week: Plans are to meet outside for worship at 10:30am. We realize it may be cooler weather, dress accordingly.

Sunday afternoon: From 3:00 to 5:00pm, Adam Tice and Brody Thomas will be leading us in singing and helping us get acquainted with our new hymnal, *Voices Together*. Come join us in singing some of your “favorites”, as well as new songs. There will be snacks served during a time of fellowship.

WOW!

On behalf of the children and families who will be gaining new access to clean water, **Thank You to everyone at East Goshen** who shared your coins, dollars and matches in the My Coins Count drive this year at the Michiana Mennonite Relief Sale. Your congregation's total was \$6,211.39, contributing toward a total of over \$120,000 for MyCC this year. Overall, the relief sale totals will exceed \$512,000! Water is life and the MyCC funds will be used for water projects that improve the health of families, decrease the impact of COVID, increase educational opportunities for children, expand employment opportunities and help families stay together. Thank you for your amazing support of the relief sale, Mennonite Central Committee, and the work of relief, development, and peace in the name of Christ. –

John Martens,
MyCC Coordinator, MMRS

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NEWS AND NOTES

PATHWAYS

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Ladies Sewing at the Depot, Wed. 9 a.m.
- Men's Fellowship Lunch, every Thurs, 11:30am. Amos Hostetler's backyard

Birthdays & Anniversaries this week

Oct. 20, Seth & Ashley Unruh
 Oct. 21, Jenna Prah
 Oct. 23, Noah Meikle
 Oct. 25, Sydney Nussbaum

IN OUR PRAYERS

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

Amigo Centre, continuing to recover from storm damage.

Bryan Williamson family, father of Haly King, died unexpectedly on Tuesday evening. Pray for comfort and peace for his family, and for safe travels for Haly, David & Lizzy as they celebrate the life of their father and grandfather in Canada.

Ruby, sister of Rhoda Stoesz, who died this past week.. Praying comfort and peace for the family, as they grieve the loss and celebrate the life of Ruby.

Frank Moreland, brother-in-law of Merle Hostetler, hospitalized in Iowa with Covid difficulties.

Dorothy Gangwer, for healing for Dorothy and strength and peace for her whole family.

Julianna, cousin of Naomi's mother Thea Yoder, for deep and consistent rest and healing as Julianna recovers from cancer surgery.

Evelyn & Maurice Smith, as Evelyn is in healthcare at Greencroft, and as she is on Hospice.

Lindsey Szabelski, cousin of Ethan Romba, as Lindsey was recently diagnosed with cancer.

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, as they grieve the Oct. 8 passing of Caleb's 19 yr. old cousin, Nathan Longenecker (Lancaster, PA) after an 8 month journey with brain cancer.
- **Adrian, Susie and family**, have arrived in Djibouti, settling into new home, new school for the girls. Pray for connections and chances to be the fragrance of Christ.

IN OUR CONGREGATION

Indiana Michigan Mennonite Conference Weekly Prayer Focus:

Ann Arbor Mennonite Church, Ann Arbor, MI

Thank You: We feel so blessed for the encouragement, kind words and love that we have felt during the decline and passing of our beloved Orie. May God bless the many members for their time and energy spent in planning and participating in the memorial service: family, pastors, ushers, sound guys, and the delicious meal served after the service. Everyone who participated to make it happen, we thank you. We feel loved and are so thankful to be a part of East Goshen Mennonite Church. Miriam Schrock and Family

Donations are being accepted for Amigo Centre to help offset the loss of income when groups are not able to carry out their events due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

Calling all quilters, painters, printers, wood workers, muralists, visual artists of all kinds!! We are inviting you to create a piece to add to the decor of our church building to make it feel more welcoming. If you are interested in participating or have a person or idea to suggest, please contact Jane Yoder.

SOOP Sara and Caleb Mast are participating in a SOOP assignment (Service Opportunities with Our Partners) through Mennonite Mission Network. Please remember them in prayer as they serve in San Antonio, TX, October 16-22,2021. This is Sara and Caleb's first SOOP assignment, and we hope they will have a meaningful experience! For more information about SOOP, please visit the website, <https://serve.mennonitemission.net/serve/Pages/SOOP.aspx>.

Anabaptist World Group Subscriptions: It will soon be time to renew our group subscription to Anabaptist World. If you are not acquainted with this publication, stop by the church office for a copy. Many of our EGMC members are enjoying the news from around the world. There are many good articles from multiple sources that keep us informed of what is happening in the Mennonite Church. If you are already enrolled, you do not need to respond. If you would like to be included in the group plan, I will be happy to add you to the list. The subscription will be mailed to your home address. The cost is \$39.00 per year, considerably less than a single subscription. Carol Birky
EGMC Office

OUR CONGREGATION & COMMUNITY

Learn more about Service Adventure!

Take a break from the classroom, test out a vocation and experience self-discovery, all while serving God and living in Christian community. Service Adventure units are spread throughout the United States. This gap, or bridge, year opportunity is for participants ages 17-20 and offers 10 months of hands-on learning. Visit our website for more information, or send us an e-mail.

New Location: Mennonite Youth Choir Festival would like to invite children in grades 3-9 to join us for a weekend of singing, March 5&6, 2022 in Berne, Indiana. We love praising God through song and want to pass on the love of music to youth of all ages. No matter where you go to church on a Sunday morning, your voice is needed in our choir!

2022 Festival Dates:

- Practice on Saturday, March 5, 2022; concert performance on Sunday, March 6, 2020, at 2 p.m. (free and open to the public)
- Who: Children from Indiana, Ohio, Illinois, Michigan and beyond who love to sing—grades 3 through 9.
- Cost per Child: \$35 Registration Deadline November, 15 (Music will be sent in the mail.)
\$45 Registration fee after November 15
- Location (NEW): First Mennonite Church - Berne, Indiana
2022 Guest Director: Brent Hyman
For more information and to register, please visit: www.mennoniteyouthchoir.com or email: mychoirfest@gmail.com

Join author Sara Wenger Shenk on Tuesday, October 19, at 7 p.m. ET as she talks about her new book, *Tongue-Tied: Learning the Lost Art of Talking about Faith*. Shenk investigates the reasons that people who claim the name of Christ are so reluctant to talk about him and offers up ideas for recovering an authentic vocabulary of faith. Books are available from MennoMedia, we also have copies available in the church office for \$15.

Here is the Sara Wenger Shenk link if you would like to read more about it. [Herald Press, MC USA, and MC Canada begin second year of Common Read | Mennonite Church USA \(mennoniteusa.org\)](https://www.heraldpress.com)