

## IMPORTANT NOTES

**Sunday, November 07, 2021**

*In Remembrance*

*Message* Donald Johnson (Goshen Hospital chaplain)

*Scripture* Jeremiah 29:11

### Breaking Bread Groups

The BBG Scripture for this week is Jeremiah 29:11

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 19 The Food Pantry served 11 families, including 45 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 24, 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	\$8,970.00
MCC	120.00
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Total	\$9,090.00

Amount needed per Sunday for 2021 General Fund	\$7,565.23
Amount currently behind projected budget	(\$3,946.54)

The 3rd quarter Financial Report is completed. A copy is available in the “Financial Statements” mailbox in the lobby. (Top right hand box)



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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Church Staff

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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

**Worship this week:** We plan to meet outside for worship at 10:30 a.m. this final week of October. Even if it takes some bundling up, we hope to see many of you in person as well as online for these opportunities to worship together!

**IHN schedule:** This week (Oct 31 through November 6) is our week to supply meals to IHN. Let's step into this week in a way that demonstrates our gratitude for the abundance with which we have been blessed! We are encouraging any group of people or individuals to sign up for whatever meal (or even a main dish) they can provide. Take it ahead frozen and ready to heat, or take it the day you sign up by 5 PM. Go to <https://takethemameal.com/ZLDH6898> for more info and to sign up for whatever you can contribute. Contact Steve Hochstetler Shirk or Kathy Holsopple with questions.

**Congratulations to two of our Katies (and Jonathon and Mel too)! Katie Mast and Mel Stutzman will be united in marriage on Saturday, November 6. in a small family ceremony here at EGMC. Katie Shirk and Jonathon Synder announced their engagement and plans for a wedding next Summer! We wish God's rich blessings on both of the happy couples.**

## UPCOMING EVENTS

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

### Birthdays & Anniversaries this week

- Oct. 31, Dorothy Gangwer
- Nov. 1, Elvie Bontrager, Mindy Schlegel
- Nov. 3, Loretta Kaufman
- Nov. 4, Sheril Mullett
- Nov. 6, Dan Steiner

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## IN OUR PRAYERS

*Our congregation*, Growing as passionate followers of Jesus..

*Family of Evelyn Smith*, who passed away this past week. Visitation will be at EGMC on Tuesday, Nov. 2 at 10:00am with a memorial service following at 11:00.

*David Chupp*, had surgery for a hiatal hernia in Chicago this week. We are very grateful for resolution of his ongoing throat/voice issues. Prayers for comfort and continued healing.

*Kent Wildman*, Kari's father, who has suffered a brain bleed and is recovering from a successful surgery.

*Jake, Chase & Ava*, former foster children of the Hanna family, are having difficulties and are again moving to a different home. Praying for stability, love and comfort for them, as well as comfort for the Hanna family as they support them from afar.

*Bryan Williamson family*, father of Haly King, as they grieve his sudden death. Pray for comfort, strength, and peace for Haly, David & Lizzy and their whole family.

*Frank Moreland*, brother-in-law of Merle Hostetler, hospitalized in Iowa with Covid difficulties. Grateful for slow changes.

*Dorothy Gangwer*, for healing as she is in rehab at Greencroft.

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

*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**, Serving in Djibouti, Pray for connections and chances to be the fragrance of Christ.

## IN OUR CONGREGATION

**Indiana Michigan Mennonite Conference Weekly Prayer Focus:**  
Belmont Neighborhood Fellowship, Elkhart, IN

**New address:** Nick, Erin & Liam Schwartz have moved to their new home at 720 S. Greene Rd., Goshen, IN 46526. Please update this information in your church directory.

**Winter address:** Edna Hoover is leaving for Florida on Nov. 8. She will be at the same winter address as listed in the directory. We wish you safe travels and a healthy happy winter. You will be missed!

**Congratulations!** Bruce & Janet Schlabach have welcomed a new granddaughter, Lyla Jane, who blesses the home of their son Brad and his wife Katie.

**Website Designer needed:** The pandemic has put a spotlight on the necessity of a good website. The current version of the EGMC website is more than 5 years old, and it's time for a change both to the website and to the person(s) responsible for it. I would like to pass my responsibilities for the website on to someone with more current technological knowledge and skills. If you are interested, please contact me at the contact information in the church directory. Betty Jane Helrich

**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.

**Volunteers needed:** The Window is having a Haystack Drive-Thru event on Saturday Nov. 13 and we need some volunteers. We have both indoor and outdoor positions. If anyone at East Goshen Mennonite Church would like to volunteer, please have them contact me. Susi Miller, [smiller@thewindowinc.com](mailto:smiller@thewindowinc.com). 574.533.9680 ext 208.

**November is Mission Month**, which means that Mennonite Mission Network will team up with pastors and congregational leaders to share mission resources that relate to a certain topic. This November, on the trailing end of our second year with limited inter-personal contact, we're focusing on hospitality in mission.

*"Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it."*

— *Hebrews 13:2 (NRSV)*

## OUR CONGREGATION & COMMUNITY

**The Window**, *Haystacks Drive-Thru Banquet* benefitting The Window, will be at Grace Community Church, 20076 CR 36, Goshen on Saturday, November 13 from 4-7:00pm. Tickets are available to purchase at the front desk of The Window or on the website, [www.thewindowofgoshen.com/event-tickets](http://www.thewindowofgoshen.com/event-tickets), or at the event. Price: Adults \$10. Children age 3-13- \$5.

**A Place at the Table:** Goshen Interfaith Hospitality Network Annual Fundraising Dinner. Thursday, November 11 at 6:00pm at Bread and Chocolate, 1100 Chicago Ave., Goshen. \$150. tickets can be purchased at [bit.ly/ghndinner2021](http://bit.ly/ghndinner2021) or by calling 574-534-2300.

**MCC seeking SWAP Location Coordinators in Hindman, Kentucky:** MCC Appalachia's SWAP (Sharing With Appalachian People) program coordinates week-long service opportunities for young people and adults, to provide housing repair for low-income individuals and families. The Hindman Location Coordinators will plan and direct all aspects of the SWAP ministry in Hindman, Kentucky. MCC is also looking to connect with other ministries related to economic development and/or food security and would welcome location coordinators with these interests and backgrounds. The Location Coordinators will report directly to the Appalachia Program Coordinator. Apply online for this opening by December 10 at [mcc.org/swap-hindman-location-coordinators](http://mcc.org/swap-hindman-location-coordinators). For more information contact Amber Falcon at 574-534-4133 or [AmberFalcon@mcc.org](mailto:AmberFalcon@mcc.org).

**Save the date:** Pleasant View Church is inviting everyone to a "Knotting of Comforts" on Nov. 3 & 4 from 9:00am to 4:00pm at their church. This is to continue the Comforter project that MCC has sponsored for several years. That event has been cancelled due to pandemic restrictions. The completed comforters will be given to MCC for distribution. Coffee and Water will be provided, bring your own lunch. Please wear a mask and practice social distancing as much as possible.

**Pathways Retreat** has new opportunities coming up: *Deep Leadership Community of Practice* for organizational leaders (November-January) and a Men's Desert Spirituality Retreat in Utah (October 2022). Daily prayers are offered both online and in-person. Find more information at [pathwaysretreat.org](http://pathwaysretreat.org).