

IMPORTANT NOTES

Sunday, November 21, 2021

In Remembrance

Message Jon-Erik Misz

Scripture John 11:33-37; Matthew 27: 46-46
2 Corinthians 1: 3-5

Breaking Bread Groups

The BBG Scripture for this week is 2 Corinthians 1: 3-5

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, November 9, The Food Pantry served 15 families, including 66 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 - November 07, 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	\$9,880.35
Food Pantry	45.00
Anabaptist World	39.00
Book Study (Tongue Tied)	15.00

Total \$9,979.35

Amount needed per Sunday for 2021 General Fund \$7,565.23
Amount currently behind projected budget (\$5,011.65)



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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-12:30pm office each weekday
morning.**
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Ray & Jenny VanDaele

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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 Sunday, November 14:
Our 10:30 worship service will be on Zoom this week using our usual EGMC link.

It's that time of the year! *The Bread of Life Food Pantry* will once again be distributing hats, gloves (preferably waterproof ones), scarves, and stocking hats in memory of Marv Graber during the month of December. This year, we will also be adding warm socks (all sizes.) Items can be delivered to the church office, or contributions made through designated giving marked for the Christmas project. Questions can be directed to Dorothy Mertz or Sara Chupp.

NOVEMBER 14, 2021

NEWS AND NOTES

PATHWAYS

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Men's Fellowship Lunch, every Thurs, 11:30am. lower level kitchen at EGMC
- Birthdays & Anniversaries this week**
Nov. 14, Bruce Bishop
Tony Janzen
Nov. 18, Brad & Kaci Diener Sandlin
Nov. 19, Naomi Helmuth
Liam David Schwartz
Stephanie S. Snyder,
Jennifer Graber
Nov. 20, Tim Yoder, Lucas Graber
Nov. 22, Austin Hostetler

IN OUR PRAYERS

Our congregation, Growing as passionate followers of Jesus..

Our MYF, who are on Fall Retreat this weekend.

Neil Campbell, brother of Barb Slagel, who died of COVID-19 this week.

Frank Moreland, brother-in-law of Merle Hostetler, died Thursday night after battling COVID-19 for several weeks.

Family of Evelyn Smith, as they grieve the loss of Evelyn, dear spouse, mother, grandmother and friend.

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.

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 offer hope through food distribution and gracious interactions.

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.

Indiana Michigan Mennonite Conference Weekly Prayer Focus:

Berkey Avenue Mennonite Fellowship

IN OUR CONGREGATION

A prayer request from Taelore at Dollar Tree who works hard to keep our pantry shelves stocked: Please pray for serenity as she deals with challenging situations in her life.

Office schedule: Merle will be out of the office at a family gathering from Nov. 19-21. Naomi will be working remotely from Nov. 18 through Nov. 27th; she will be available by cell phone and email. The SLC will be assisting with in-person urgent pastoral care needs.

Scholarship Fund: This school year our EGMC Scholarship Fund is providing financial assistance for 12 of our students from grade 6 through seminary. Our commitment this year is \$11,825 more than what is in the Scholarship Fund at this time. Designated giving to the Scholarship Fund will help to meet this commitment by the end of the year. Your support is appreciated as we continue providing assistance for our families and students. Thank you. —Finance Team

Holiday Market: Sundays, Nov. 14 and Dec.12,

I will be at Goshen Farmers Market from 3:00-7:00pm for the Holiday Market. The proceeds from the wood creations I sell will be given to the EGMC MYF. Come out and do your Christmas shopping while supporting our youth in the process! More details on the EGMC Facebook page. Bruce Schlabach

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

MCC Canning: The Annual MCC Meat Canning business meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, November 23 at 7:00pm at Pleasant Grove Mennonite church, located on CR38, 1/2 mile east of CR35. The past few years have brought many challenges in our lives. The great need for our work remains. All interested persons are welcome, light refreshments will be served. Contact Ken Mullett if you have questions.

OUR CONGREGATION & COMMUNITY

Mennonite Church USA is seeking a half-time Administrative Assistant for Church Vitality Department to manage the day-to-day operations including administrative functions related to the pastoral calling system of MC USA, the MennoData database and Ministerial Leadership Information process. At least three years of office experience and a bachelor's degree is preferred. Preferred location is the MC USA office in Elkhart, Indiana. We are committed to diversity among staff and welcome people of diverse backgrounds and abilities to apply. View the job description [here](#). To request an application form, contact HR@MennoniteUSA.org or call 316-281-4257

Pathways Retreat will be offering Advent Visio Divina on Wednesday mornings starting November 24. Pathways Retreat will be closed December 20 - January 10 for the holidays. Daily prayers are offered both online and in-person. Find more information at pathwaysretreat.org.

Medicare Mondays: As you or your parents approach retirement age, you may have questions about moving to Medicare and Social Security. Join *Everence Medicare Mondays*, where they discuss important details about retirement income and transitioning to Medicare including: enrollment details and deadlines, navigating Social Security, prescription drug coverage, Medicare supplement plans, etc. Upcoming dates for these free webinars are November 8, and December 13. For more information and to register, go to everence.com/medicare-mondays.

Goshen College's Study-Service Theology Term (SSTT) invites high school applicants for a two-week study experience in Guatemala in June 2022. Participants are selected from any Christian denominational group in the U.S. who have completed their sophomore, junior or senior year by June 2022. The cost is just \$100 and the deadline to apply has been extended to Nov. 21, 2021. Learn more at goshen.edu/ssstt.

Upcoming performances at Goshen College include Performing Arts Series "Christmas with the King's Singers" on Dec. 14, as well as the fall mainstage play, "Brooklyn Bridge," and GC music ensemble concerts. See the schedule and get tickets at goshen.edu/tickets.

Discover creative ways to engage with "Dare to Imagine," **Mennonite Church USA's 2021 Advent at Home** worship guide. Join writer Talashia Keim Yoder for a one-hour webinar on Sunday, Nov. 14 at 5 p.m. ET/2 p.m. PT for creative ideas on how to slow down and connect with God each day during this season of anticipation. Learn about the guide here: <https://www.mennoniteusa.org/news/advent2021> Register for the webinar here: <https://www.mennoniteusa.org/adventwebinar2021>.