

## IMPORTANT NOTES

**Sunday, May 22, 2022**

*Faith Stories and Daily Work*

*Scripture* Colossians 3:15-17; Psalm 90:17;  
1 Corinthians 12: 4-6

### Breaking Bread Groups

The BBG Scripture for this week is 1 Corinthians 12: 4-6 .

May God bless each of these groups to be spaces for deep connection with God and one another. Dru Mack, Dorothy Mertz, and Barb and Arlen Welty are coordinators.

### The Bread of Life Food Pantry

This week on Tuesday, May 10, the Food Pantry served 10 families and 36 individuals. The Food Pantry will remain open each Tuesday morning from 9:00am to 12:00pm . Please continue to pray for our guests and the faithful volunteers who distribute food each week.

### Last Week by the Numbers - May 8, 2022

Thank you for sending your tithes and offerings 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	\$4,452.00
Food Pantry	25.00
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Amount needed per Sunday for 2022 General Fund	\$7,705.40



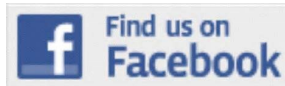
WELCOME!

Worship Service  
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

**Monthly Meals at EGMC!** If you've missed the second Sunday meals we had before the Pandemic, please help make it possible to bring them back! If your Sunday School class or Small Group is willing to plan, set up and clean up for one month's carry in, please contact Carol in the church office.

**Talk with our EG Delegates about the Resolutions:** The MC USA Delegates will gather May 27th-30th in Kansas City where representatives from throughout our denomination will join in worship and discernment about four resolutions. EGMC's delegates (Luke Holsopple, Cindy Steiner, and Naomi Yoder) will hold two conversation sessions for our congregation in order to share about these resolutions and to get your feedback to inform their discernment. On Monday, May 16, at 7:00 p.m. there will be an in-person discussion in the fellowship hall, and on Sunday, May 22 at 4:00 p.m. there will be a Zoom conversation on the usual church link. In addition to these group conversations, you are encouraged to share your questions, ideas, and wisdom with delegates individually. Please continue to be in prayer for our EGMC delegates, this Special Assembly, and our denomination as we seek God's will for how to most whole-heartedly witness to the way of Christ.

MAY 15, 2022

NEWS AND NOTES

PATHWAYS

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Men's Lunch** 11:30 am each Thursday in the lower level kitchen. All men are welcome to come. Bring your own lunch and enjoy the fellowship time.

### Birthdays & Anniversaries this week

May 15, Amelia Unruh  
May 16, Roger Mertz  
May 17, Josh Snyder  
May 18, Noelle Prah  
May 20, Joel Holsopple

## IN OUR PRAYERS

*Our congregation*, that we may be open to God's new callings to us in the "old old story of Jesus and his love."

*Area Community Schools staff and students*, as the school year comes to a close.

*The country of Ukraine*: for transformation of hearts to bring hope for peace. We pray also for the courage for all Christ-followers to know how to show his love in the face of violence.

*Ashlynn Gongwer*, young lady from Goshen who is currently at Riley Hospital recovering from her third brain surgery. Her father asked that we pray for healing for her and God's peace and strength for their family.

*Janet, Dave Snyder's mother*, in Oregon experiencing complications from leukemia.

*Judy Houtz*, Deb Powell's mother, as she navigates a recent cancer diagnosis.

*Jackie Berkey*, has been transferred back to Greencroft Healthcare. She is in Rm 550 in the Cottage Unit.

*Barb Eiler*, for patience and endurance as her back fracture heals slowly. Grateful that her throat condition is improved.

*Our Food Pantry*: Sara Chupp and other volunteers as they offer hope through distribution of food and gracious interactions.

### **Remembering those in other places:**

- **Rosa Powell** is at The Wilderness Way Girls' School Camp in South Carolina.
- **Caleb & Nina Longenecker Fox** in Quito, Ecuador,
- **Adrian, Susie and family**, for their life and relationships in Djibouti.

**Indiana Michigan Mennonite Conference Weekly Prayer Focus:**  
Mara Christian Church of America, Greenwood, IN

## IN OUR CONGREGATION

**Blessing Basket:** We've added a "Blessing Basket" to our Welcome Center. Take time to write a note of encouragement or blessing to our Food Pantry guests, using the blank notes & pens. Simply write a note and place it into the basket. They will be given to our guests on Tuesday at our Food Pantry.

**Library is open!** A big "thank you" to the family of John & Bonny Driver and anonymous persons for your generous gifts of children's books, fiction, historical and religious books to our library. After a long absence, the library will be open before and after worship for you to look and wander and check out books, DVD's or magazines to take home. There is a self-service checkout system on the table. Look for the display of "Books of the month" as you pass by. Frieda Borntinger

**Financial Report:** First quarter financial reports are available. There are copies in the "Financial Reports" mailbox on the top right hand side of the mailboxes in the foyer.

**Enjoy a weekend away at Amigo Centre.** Amigo offers no-charge Retreat Center housing and meals for those interested in hosting weekends this spring and summer. Amigo invites you to share this weekend with another friend or family. Hosting includes assisting Amigo Guest Coordinator Mandy Yoder with Friday late afternoon guest check in (this has some flexibility), opening the gift shop, and the nature center, being a contact person for guests, and for some light duty with meals. Weekends are still available throughout this spring and summer. Contact Mandy at Amigo Centre (269-651-2811), or Jeff Kauffman if you have any questions.

**EGMC Planting Plan:** If you're willing to help develop and implement a Planting Plan to increase the beauty, use, and sustainability of our church property, please get in touch with Merle or Naomi.

**EGMC Directory changes and updates.** The recent directory (remember bright green!) has several updates.

Joe Yoder's email– [jyoder56@frontier.com](mailto:jyoder56@frontier.com).  
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Miriam Wengerd, phone-419-439-6444  
Mel Stutzman, birthday– February 9

## OUR CONGREGATION & COMMUNITY

**MCC Material Resource Center** – The MRC in Goshen and Kidron function to process and ship quality material resources for MCC both domestically and internationally. Caring volunteers provide the person power behind the MRC while taking part in MCC's ministries offering educational opportunities to visitors and volunteers alike. - Nadine Zook Miller – [nadinezookmiller@mcc.org](mailto:nadinezookmiller@mcc.org)

**MDS Family Program at Camp Amigo:** Enjoy a week at Camp Amigo while also volunteering with Mennonite Disaster Service. This July, MDS offers the Family Program, a 4 or 5 day summer-time experience for the whole family. During your stay for the Family Program, your family will enjoy the beauty, and serenity of the Amigo Centre and participate in age-appropriate maintenance and building projects on the property in response to a storm that hit in August 2021. Click here to learn more - [mds.org/amigo](https://mds.org/amigo)

**Want to engage in creation care and climate action by planting trees?** All genders and ages 18+ are invited to help plant 300 trees at the Mishawaka toll plaza along the Indiana Toll Road on Friday morning, May 20. This project is part of JoinTrees, a campaign to plant one million trees to help restore the Earth. Contact Steve Thomas at [SteveT@MennoniteMen.org](mailto:SteveT@MennoniteMen.org) to help with this project. Learn more about *JoinTrees* at [mennonitemen.org/jointrees](https://mennonitemen.org/jointrees).

**Journey Program:** When God calls someone to leadership, a journey begins. Perhaps you are on that journey. Perhaps you are looking for mentors and companions along the way. Indiana-Michigan Conference invites you to join Journey: A Missional Leadership Development Program. This program is for lay leaders, pastors, church planters, and other emerging leaders who are called without specific training for ministry or who are exploring a call to ministry. The early registration deadline to apply for fall 2022 is July 12, with the final registration deadline on August 9, 2022. For more information visit [www.ambs.edu/journey](https://www.ambs.edu/journey), or contact your pastor, or Joanne Gallardo at [joanne@im.mennonite.net](mailto:joanne@im.mennonite.net) or 574-534-4006.