

IMPORTANT NOTES

Sunday, September 25, 2022

Reencountering the Bible

Reading Together

Message Mike Sherrill

Scripture 1 Corinthians 14: 26-31; Job 34: 2-4

Toddler Room attendants: Seth & Ashley Unruh

Breaking Bread Groups

BBG scripture for this week is 1 Corinthians 14: 26-31.

May God bless each of these new groups as they make new connections with God and each other.

The Bread of Life Food Pantry

This week on Tuesday, Sept. 13, the Food Pantry served 28 families and 129 individuals. The Food Pantry will remain open each Tuesday morning from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Please continue to pray for our guests and the faithful volunteers who distribute

Last Week by the Numbers -

September 11, 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	\$8,418.35
Food Pantry	20.00
JEG Foundation (Silas Immanuel)	100.00
MCC-My Coins Count	675.00
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	\$9,213.35
Attendance last Sunday	116
Amount needed per Sunday for 2022 General Fund	\$7,705.40
Amount currently behind projected budget	(\$43,804.93)



WELCOME!

Worship Service

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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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

Inclusion Survey: The SLC and pastors distributed an Inclusion Survey (by email and in church mailboxes) this morning. Please take time to prayerfully consider the survey and respond by **next Sunday, September 25th**. May God guide our discernment on what inclusion means to us right now as we seek to *love, live, invite, and equip* as we *passionately follow Jesus*.

The MCC Relief Sale is coming soon - September 23rd and 24th! Once again EGMC is coordinating the work at the Fresh Meat and Sausage Booth. We need volunteers to help on both Friday and Saturday. Working at the booth is a fun way to work with friends from church and to meet others who come to buy meat! Please sign up to help out for several hours if you are able. There will be a sign up sheet in the narthex today, add your name to the times you'd like to work. Thanks so much! Gwen Hershberger and Joyce Driver

Breaking Bread update: Many of the Breaking Bread groups are getting started this month. If you did not sign up and are interested in joining a group, contact Barb Welty, Dorothy Mertz or Wilbur Hershberger.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Men's Lunch,** 11:30 am each Thursday, will meet in Amos Hostetler's backyard. All men are welcome to come. Bring your own lunch and enjoy the fellowship time.
- **Church Retreat at Amigo,** October 7-9.

Birthdays & Anniversaries this week

Sept. 19, Dave Snyder

Sept. 20, Adrian Troyer,

Twila Eshleman

Sept. 21, Joyce Driver

Sept. 22, Roberta Miller Yoder

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NEWS AND NOTES

PATHWAYS

IN OUR PRAYERS

Our congregation, as we seek a common direction and vision while recognizing our forms of difference and diversity.

Our college students, as they return to the classroom.

Rob Ganger and family, Rob recently underwent a cardiac procedure. Pray for healing, and guidance in unanswered health questions.

The Powell family, as Rosalinda has returned home after her graduation from Wilderness Way Camp.

Kent & Rocky Wildman, parents of Kari Wildman, who are dealing with Kent's health issues related to Parkinson's Disease.

Kiron Paesler, son of Milad & Susan Hanna's friends from Germany, who is being treated for leukemia.

People in SE Kentucky, following extreme flooding. Praying for peace and comfort for those who have lost homes and personal items.

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

Adrian, Susie and family, moving to Columbus, Ohio. Senaya and Norah will be in a public school classroom that is taught in French as well as English. Please pray for continuing healing, smooth transitions, enough financial support to pay the bills and discernment what will be happening after Christmas. Their address until the end of the year is 1165 Lilley Ave. Columbus, OH 43206

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

Bread of Life Food Pantry

We are in need of more volunteers to help pack bags for distribution to our guests each Tuesday. We are seeing more families these last few weeks and anticipate increased numbers through the Fall and Winter months. You may pack the bags at your convenience any time between Tuesday afternoon and the next week on Tuesday. It only takes an hour or two and is a fun activity for a family, or several friends to do together. We've had four couples filling the bags for the past two years; it's time to give them a break! There will be a training session by Sara Chupp & David Miller, so contact them if you have questions. Contact Carol in the church office if you are willing to help.

IN OUR CONGREGATION

Congratulations: Maya Renee Yoder arrived on Sunday, Sept. 11 to bless the home of Caleb & Jana. She is welcomed into the family by grandparents Tim & Jane Yoder and her big sister Peyton. Report is that everyone is doing well!

New Address: It's been a busy week for Tim & Jane Yoder, who, in addition to welcoming Maya, also moved to Goshen on Saturday. Their new address is 506 S. 5th. St. Goshen, IN 46526.

Congratulations ! Dru Mack and Michael Malott were united in marriage on Saturday, Sept. 17 at Shore Church Cabin. We wish them God's rich blessings as they begin this journey in life together.

We can make a difference in our world! It's time again to continue our tradition of collecting coins and donations for MCC through My Coins Count! This year donations will support food programs around the world. Given wars, climate disasters, and global inflation hunger needs are urgent in many parts of the world. **We will have the "quarter tubes" available this week for you to take home to fill.** Consider making a larger donation by check or through our website making sure to indicate MCC: My coins count. Finally, if you're interested in a matching grant, Denise would love to talk to you! Thanks again for all your support. Our coins and our dollars go a LONG way.

Updated email address: Gary Yoder's email address is now gary358@gmail.com. Take time to update your church directory with this new contact information.

Silas Immanuel, from India, has been worshipping with us since he began studying at Goshen College last year. We once again invite you who are interested to help contribute towards his college costs. If you'd like to do so, please make the check out to East Goshen Mennonite Church, and put JEG Foundation-Silas in the memo line. You may contact Sheila or Millard Graber with any questions.

EG Church Retreat in three weeks! October 7-9

- For everyone! **Be sure to sign up today or by next Sunday.**
- Amigo Centre in Sturgis, MI – overnights or for the day
- Tavisith "T" Mounsithiraj will be leading us in "Encountering God's Presence at Camp"
- Walks, canoeing, pontoon rides, checking out the nature center, table games, campfire and lots more.
- Our EG Sunday morning worship will be at Amigo

OUR CONGREGATION & COMMUNITY

Voices Together Exhibit: The original works of art that appear in the MC USA Hymnal, Voices Together will be on exhibit in the Good Library on the Goshen College Campus from Sept. 11 to Nov. 6, 2022. The exhibit is free and is open to the public during library hours.

Reminder: the Michiana Mennonite Relief Sale Choir will be performing at Sauder Hall at Goshen College Sunday, Sept. 25 at 7 pm. Fairfield HS choir will also be performing several songs. There is no admission charge but an offering will be taken to benefit Mennonite Central Committee.

Michiana Mennonite Relief Sale announcements
Sept. 23-24, 2022 - Elkhart County 4-H Fairgrounds -
www.mennonitesale.org

The Relief Sale will be here soon! How can you support the Relief Sale?

- Get together with several friends and/or family and bake something to donate. Gather crafts you have made or extra quilting supplies. Then drop them off on Friday 9/23 near the front gate of the fairgrounds. (Note there is not a garage sale this year)
- Donate your plants. The Relief Sale welcomes your healthy, indoor and outdoor plants. Bring them to the middle, north doors of the community building (sign posted) by Friday 9/23 at 4:30 if you possible. Plants start selling at 5.
- Bid on Online Auction items. Bidding opens on Friday, Sept. 16. Check the website for the link to the Online Auction.

Volunteer to help!

- Volunteers are needed to help with the **children's carnival** activities during the Relief Sale. Sign up to run a booth, paint faces, sell tickets, or pass out prizes. Help our kids have fun and learn about the work MCC is doing. Sign up online at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0f4da9a829a2fbc61-2022> or contact Sonya Overman at pre-schoolsonya@gmail.com
- General set-up, recycling, or working a booth: call 888-503-8559 or email mennonitesale@yahoo.com