

# Prayer Requests

- Pray for those in our congregation who have lost loved ones in recent months, as they begin the grieving process.
- Pray for Mennonite Central Committee workers and partners in Nepal as they coordinate relief and aid efforts in response to the recent earthquake that killed thousands of people, as well as the one that struck this week.
- Pray for youth worker workshops that are taking place this weekend in our Conference.
- Pray for Kansas City 2015: for denominational, conference, and congregational leaders as they lead us through this time of conflict.
- Pray for recent Bluffton University graduates, as they discern their calling for life and vocation, for the purposes of God's universal kingdom.
- Pray for Ervin Stutzman, executive director of Mennonite Church USA, who is holding meetings with delegates to Kansas City in May and June to discuss their responsibilities at the Convention in July.
- Pray for Ohio Conference congregations, staff, and ministries as they carry out the work of the church.

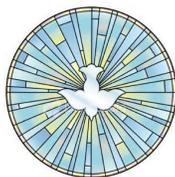


Happy Birthday!



*Keep these people in your prayers as they celebrate another year of life!*

**\*Contact the church office for a list of upcoming birthdays\***



## Friendship Mennonite Church

**May 17, 2015**

Welcome  
Opening Song  
Call to Worship  
Songs of Praise  
Scripture Reading  
Sermon: Eric Schroll, Everence  
Responding Song  
Congregational Sharing & Prayer  
Offering  
Announcements  
Sending Song

**Visiting this week?**

**Welcome to Friendship Mennonite Church!**

We are so glad you've joined us for worship! We hope you find a place to belong and consider joining us in God's mission. We are looking for people to join us who are interested in learning more about Jesus, becoming a disciple and finding out God's purpose in life!

### **Announcements**

- **Thank you to Eric Schroll from Everence** for sharing with us during the Sunday school hour, as well as bringing the morning message. Eric is an Financial Advisor and Certified Financial Planner, working out of the Hartville office. He enjoys finding out what his clients are passionate about and helping them be more effective with their financial choices so they can live more generously, be more efficient with their taxes, and better combine their faith with their financial decisions. Everence is a faith-based, member-owned, financial services organization. They provide banking, insurance, investments, asset management, financial planning and more to individuals, congregations and organizations.
- **Friendship Retreat** We will gather at our property in Geauga County NEXT Sunday, May 24 for the opening potluck of the season. Please bring a dish to share, your own place settings, and a lawn chair. Questions? See Chris or Sue Schmucker Coblenz.
- **Morning Prayers** Join us each Sunday from 9-9:20 am for a time of prayer in the Conference Room. We will be praying through "Take Our Moments and Our Days: An Anabaptist Prayer Book." This will be a time for all ages!
- **Children's Sunday school update:** This summer children's Sunday school will be cancelled from May 24 (Memorial Day weekend) through July 4 weekend, resuming on Sunday, July 12, for the rest of the summer. From July 12-August 23 we will have one multiage class for children age three and up. The theme will be Message Received: Hearing God's Call, helping all of us know and experience God's call.
- **May 17-18 are the annual Days of Prayer and Action for Colombia.** A place of diverse peoples, cultures, and ecology, Colombia is also home to the longest-running internal armed conflict in the Western Hemisphere. Peace talks between the government and Colombia's largest guerrilla group, the FARC, have been moving forward. But the peace accords have not been signed yet. Human rights defenders continue to be threatened and even killed. Take time to pray for Colombia today, and consider how you can stand in solidarity with those who are working for a just peace. For more information, check out the "Days of Prayer and Action" Facebook page or see Anita Hooley Yoder.
- **Additional Giving for last Sunday:** Meals on Wheels: \$10.00; MCC Meat Canner: \$30.00.

### **Serving Our Church Today**

*Worship Leader:* Nan Kanagy

*Piano:* Nan Kanagy

*Sunday School Nursery:* Todd Miller

*Worship Nursery:* Robin Arn

*Sunday Building Trustee:* Chris Coblenz

*Song Leader:* Nan Kanagy

*Usher:* Chris Savage

*Greeter:* Chris Coblenz

*A/V Team:* Ben Speros

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### **Serving Next Sunday**

*Worship Leader:* Anita Hooley Yoder

*Usher:* Bill Speight

*SS Nursery:* Rudy Coblenz

*A/V Team:* Eric Miller

*Song Leader:* Rachel Miller

*Greeter:* Ryan Claassen

*Worship Nursery:* Lian Hartzler

*Sunday Building Trustee:* Miller

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### **Looking Ahead**

Sundays

Tuesday, May 19

Thursday, May 21

Sunday, May 24

Morning Prayer Time 9-9:20 am

Administrative Team Meeting 6:30 pm

Worship Committee Meeting 7:00 pm

Potluck at Friendship Retreat 4:00 pm

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### **Giving for Last Sunday**

Church Offering:

\$2647.25

Weekly Budget:

\$1371.00

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