

## ON THE JOURNEY

**Thought for the Day by Pastor Phil:** *"I learned more about Christianity from my godly mother than from all the theologians in England."* - John Wesley

### CALENDAR

<b>Wed 5/15</b>	9:00 am	Moms In Prayer
	6:30 pm	Administration Commission
	7:00 pm	Music Practice
<b>Sun 5/19</b>	9:00 am	Phil Preaching/Grace Rheinheimer Sharing
	6:00 pm	MYF
<b>Mon 5/20</b>	6:00 pm	Ladies Exercise
<b>Tues 5/21</b>	6:00 pm	Community Life Commission
<b>Wed 5/22</b>	9:00 am	Moms In Prayer
	5:30 pm	Outreach Commission
	7:00 pm	Spring Business Meeting
		Music Practice
<b>Sun 5/26</b>	9:00 am	Jeremy Kauffman Preaching
	6:00 pm	MYF
<b>Mon 5/27</b>		<b>Office Closed</b>
<b>Wed 5/29</b>	7:00 pm	Music Practice

#### Administrative Assistant Office Hours:

Monday-Thursday 9:00 AM-2:00 PM

Closed Friday

#### Phil Yoder Office Hours:

Monday 12:00-4:00 PM,

Wed. 9:00 AM-12:00 PM, Thursday 1:00-6:00 PM

- All newsletter submissions need to be in to Maribeth by noon on Tuesday.

#### May Birthdays

Shirley Riegsecker – 16  
 Patti Miller – 17  
 Ruby Yoder – 17  
 Kris Keller – 20  
 Ron Rheinheimer – 22  
 Tom Bontreger – 24  
 Verna Weirich – 24  
 Kelly Kurtz – 26  
 Dave Graber – 31

Janelle Walther - 31

## WORSHIP

**Focus statement:** Because God created us spiritual beings, every person has some kind of a Spiritual Journey, even if that journey is away from God. Of course, God and we hope that that journey is toward God and not away from Him. And because we are individuals, not everyone's spiritual journey is the same. God does not use a cookie cutter when He creates people, nor when He leads them into faith. God takes us where we are, and desires to lead us into faith and maturity in Christ. People's journeys can be very different, and frequently are. What is important is that we faithfully follow wherever Jesus leads us. This Sunday, Grace Rheinheimer will be sharing with us about her journey. May God Bless you, Grace, on your journey!

**Background scriptures:** John 21:15-22

#### Coffee Prep Volunteers

This Sunday: Kris Rheinheimer

Next Sunday: Janelle Walther

#### Welcome Center

This Sunday: Karen Pletcher

Next Sunday: Verna Weirich

## ADMINISTRATION

#### Stewardship Report for May 12:

Money Given to Budget \$5,383.00

Amount Needed Weekly for Budget \$5,565.25

Year-to-date Money Given to Budget \$210,482.01

Amount Needed Year-to-Date for Budget \$205,914.25

**Absentee** affirmation ballots for LMC are available on the ledge outside the office window.

## COMMUNITY LIFE

**Please join us** at our annual Fair Trade Rug Event at Ten Thousand Villages in Goshen, Wednesday, May 15 through Sunday, May 19. Over 300 rugs will be at our store, sizes from 2x3' to 9x12' including runners, all made by fairly paid artisans in Pakistan. Purchase of these heirloom-quality rugs supports the rug artisans and their families, helping them improve their lives and communities. For more information, please stop by Ten Thousand Villages, 206 S Main St in Goshen, or call 574-533-8491.

**Everence and the Michiana Core Market** is again hosting "Medicare Monday" events. We invite people from around our area to come and ask questions and learn more about Medicare, Medicare Supplement plans, the Part D prescription drug plan and more. If you think that you might benefit from this educational experience, you are welcome to join the meeting below. There is no RSVP and therefore walk-ins are welcome.

June 10 at the Everence N. Main office, 6:30 PM.

**Fannie Hochstetler** has a new address: 1325 Greencroft Dr., Apt. 360 Goshen, IN 46526.

## DISCIPLING

**Spring Concert:** Bethany Christian Schools grades 4-8 music students will present a spring concert on Thursday, May 16, in the school chapel. There is no admission charge and all are welcome to attend.

**Job Opening:** Bethany Christian Schools seeks a full time bookkeeper to serve in the school's business office. Duties include managing accounts payable, cash receipts and bank deposits, account reconciliation, maintaining the general ledger in the accounting software, maintaining appropriate backup records for all financial transactions, preparation for annual audit, and administrative support work. Requirements include excellent Excel skills, accounting software experience, and attention to detail. This position offers flexible hours in a positive work environment. Bethany offers a competitive salary and benefits package, as well as generous vacation. For more information and to apply, see [bethanycs.net/jobs](http://bethanycs.net/jobs).

**AMBS Anabaptist Short Courses:** Save the dates! These online six-week noncredit courses will be offered in 2019–20: Exploring Anabaptist History and Theology (Sept. 11 – Oct. 22); Exploring Peace and Justice in the Bible (Oct. 23 – Dec. 10); Understanding Anabaptist Approaches to Scripture (Feb. 12 – March 24); and Transforming Congregational Conflict and Communication (April 15 – May 26). See the course descriptions at [ambs.edu/anabaptistshortcourses](http://ambs.edu/anabaptistshortcourses).

**The Preschool Board** had a text/email meeting in May due to conflicts. Our classes remain full for next year. The Spring Carnival went well. A special thanks to the church ladies for all of the delicious baked goods! We made around \$200.00 from that. School will end this month. We are preparing to re-do our playground this summer. We will need manpower to replace the weed guard and rubber mulch, as well as installing new playground equipment.

## OUTREACH

**First Mennonite Women's** next project is collecting items for infant care kits for MCC. Items needed: 3 gowns/sleepers (flannel or similar warm, soft material), 3 undershirts/onesies (short or long sleeves), 1 receiving blanket (lightweight fleece or flannel, minimum 30 in. x 30 in., larger sizes preferred), 4 large, heavy-duty safety pins, 1 large bar mild soap (leave in wrapper), 1 pair of socks, and 1 cap. **Note:** Size 3-12 months. Items can either be purchased or hand-sewn.

**NEXT WEEK!** Dinner with the New MEDA President! Join us for dinner on Thursday, May 23, and hear Dr. Dorothy Nyambi share about her passion for social justice and international development, and how MEDA is unleashing entrepreneurial spirit to alleviate poverty around the world. Cost is \$15 for members, \$20 for non-members, \$5 for students. Dinner begins 6:30pm @ AMBS Lambright Center | 3003 Benham Avenue, Elkhart, IN. Please RSVP to [info@michianameda.org](mailto:info@michianameda.org) or call/text 574-355-3607 by Monday, May 20.

**Grant Miller** has recently graduated from Indiana University and is planning to go back there to begin a year of internship with a campus ministry, Chi Alpha. He feels called by God to invite and encourage college students to develop a real relationship with Jesus,

continuing to spread the gospel and disciple other young men. He will need to raise money for this internship. There is a letter on the Outreach bulletin board with more details. Grant will also be sharing with the congregation his plans on Sunday, May 26.