



**CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER LIST**

- ... for healing from infection in Amy Kauffman's feet; pray also for patience as things have not gone as planned
- ... for Marla Folkerts as she takes her nursing boards on Tuesday; pray for a successful surgery for Marla on Wednesday as she has a hysterectomy; pray for wisdom for Michael and Marla as they process a decision regarding further schooling
- ... for healing for Kate Hillard who is in Heartland of Waterville
- ... for the family of Morgan Duris, a Northview student who was killed in an accident this past week; pray also for the driver of the SUV who caused the accident
- ... praise God for his presence through friends that Scott Coulter experienced
- ... for open communication and good listening skills to be part of the congregational meeting this evening

**OUR MISSION IS:**

- To know and love Christ
- To be a caring family of God
- To minister to a needy world

**TODAY AT TOLEDO MENNONITE**

**5:00 p.m. – Congregational Meeting**

“A candid look at the meaning of Diversity among us”

This will be an open discussion facilitated by Pastor Walt. There will be snacks provided. Childcare will also be available. See the announcement below for more information. Please plan to attend this very important time together as a congregation.

**THIS WEEK AT TOLEDO MENNONITE**

Wednesday, 6:30 p.m. – Prayer meeting

Saturday, 10:00 a.m. – Nurture Committee meeting at the church

**COMING EVENTS**

Friday, February 5 – Sunday, February 7 – Mennonite Arts Weekend in Cincinnati, Ohio

Sunday, February 7, 5:30 p.m. – Super Bowl Party (see announcement)

Sunday, February 14, 12:00 p.m. – Koinonia potluck (note change in date)

Sunday, February 14, 1:00 p.m. – Baby shower for Ben, Patti & Gillian Taylor



**TMC Announcements**

- ✧ Congregational Meeting Information: “We as Elders have been planning a Congregational dialogue for this evening with the theme: “A candid Look at the Meaning of Diversity Among Us.” We are planning to conclude with an open ended time for anyone to share/reflect on any items of question and/or concern about leadership issues that may be seen as important for Elders’ response. We invite you to read John 17 and Ephesians 4:1-6 before the dialogue and to be in prayer for our time of dialogue together as well. If you fast... we invite you to fast from a meal or a portion of one in regard to seeking and understanding each other before God for the evening together. We look forward to this time so we can be better stewards of our leadership roles to which you have affirmed God has called us.” --Your Elders

Steve Elzinga, Chair, Wilma Bender, Sue Cook,

Karen Kruzal & Walt Morton

Colossians 3:15-17

- ✧ Do you like children? Do you enjoy telling them about God’s love? If so, the Nurture Committee has a wonderful opportunity for you! Currently they are looking for a few adults who are willing to give an hour of their time each week to teach Sunday School, or play with fun toys (and kids) in the nursery. Questions? Contact Nada Miller.
- ✧ Tom Kauffman will be preaching next Sunday at TMC.
- ✧ Many times you hear from the Finance Committee only when the church needs more funding. At this time we would like to thank you for your generous giving and for keeping TMC financially healthy.
- ✧ The MYF will host an adult Super Bowl party at Doug & Patty Schmucker’s house. The party begins at 5:30 p.m. on Sunday, February 7. Good food, good fun, and good prizes will be the descriptive words for the evening. This will be a fundraiser with all donations going toward the MYF Service trip to SWAP this summer. **Thank you for your support!**
- ✧ There will be a baby shower for Ben, Patti & Gillian Taylor on Sunday, February 14 following the potluck. Please note the change in date from the first Sunday of the month (due to the Super Bowl party).
- ✧ Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) is undertaking a multimillion-dollar, multiyear response to the earthquake that struck Haiti January 12. You can help through prayer for the people of Haiti and by donating to MCC’s Haiti Earthquake appeal. In addition, MCC is asking for donations of 20,000 relief kits, 10,000 heavy comforters and 10,000 sheets for shipment now through February 28. Donate online at [donate.mcc.org/project/haiti-earthquake](http://donate.mcc.org/project/haiti-earthquake), by check to the MCC Great Lakes office (1013 Divison Street, Goshen, IN 46528), or by phone toll free: 1.888.563.4676. Find instructions for donating relief kits, comforters and sheets at [mcc.org/kits](http://mcc.org/kits) or by contacting the Great Lakes office at 574.534.4133.



**Happy Birthday to:**

- Joe Kruzel - Today
- Carla Trevino - Today
- Jonathan Bartsch - Tuesday
- Sarah Coulter - Tuesday
- Walt Morton - Tuesday
- Kristy Brooks - Wednesday
- Nancy Elzinga - Thursday
- Jamisen Brooks - Friday

**Lectionary Readings**

This week – Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10; Psalm 19;  
 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a; Luke 4:14-21  
Next week – Jeremiah 1:4-10; Psalm 71:1-6;  
 1 Corinthians 13:1-13; Luke 4:21-30

**WEEKLY UPDATE**

○ ATTENDANCE	82
○ OFFERING UPDATE	
Operating Budget for 2009/2010	\$ 159,927.00
Required Receipts per Sunday	\$3,075.52
Receipts for Operating Fund	\$5,917.78
Miscellaneous	\$0.00
Total Budget Receipts to Date	\$67,896.63
Required Budget Receipts to Date	\$61,510.40
Over/(Under) Budget to Date	\$6,386.23



**LIBRARY NEWS**

- ☞ The Radical Cross (by A. W. Tozer) – Though the cross of Christ has been beautified by the poet and the artist, the avid seeker after God is likely to find it to be the same savage implement of destruction it was in the days of old. The Way of the Cross is still the pain-wracked path of spiritual power and fruitfulness.
- ☞ The Great Canoe Fish (*Sugar Creek Gang* DVD) – Does the Great Canoe Fish actually exist? Or is he a two hundred year old canoe-sized legend? The *Sugar Creek Gang* packs fishing gear and sleeping bags for a canoe trip to find out. Dragonfly spills the beans to the local town bullies who follow the group in hopes of beating them to the catch.

**Greater Church Events**

In the Footsteps of Jesus: Tour Israel/Palestine with Wilmer Martin and Pastor Tyler Hartford (Pleasant View Mennonite Church, Goshen, IN). November 12-21, 2010. Biblical passages will come to life as you visit locations such as Nazareth Village, Caesarea, Mount of Beatitudes, Jericho, Jerusalem, Bethlehem and many more. For more information, call TourMagination at 800.565.0451 or email [office@tourmagination.com](mailto:office@tourmagination.com). Wondering if it's worth the effort and cost? Check out this article from the January 2009 edition of Christianity Today.

<http://www.christianitytoday.com/ct/2010/january/3.38.html>