

## Our Mission:

*Making And Launching Disciples Of Jesus To Transform Our World*

September 3, 2023	
<b>Offering</b>	
General Fund .....	\$14,349.61
Missional Campaign.....	\$1,528.11
Bethany Tuition Fund .....	\$50.00
<b>Attendance</b>	
Worship .....	342
Online Views .....	142
Sunday School.....	286

## Looking Ahead— Week of September 17 – September 23, 2023

### Sunday:

- 9:15 am Sunday School
- 10:30 am Worship Service with Child Dedication
- 12 pm Youth Fundraiser Meal

### Monday:

- 7 pm Men’s Small Group/Connections

### Tuesday:

- 9 am Ladies Bible Study/Sunshine Kitchen
- 6:30 pm Congregational Care Team/Conference Room

### Wednesday:

- 1-5 pm Library Open
- 5:30 pm Meal/Fellowship Hall
- 6:30 pm Childcare for infants to 2 year old's
- Kid’s Klub for 3 year old's to 2nd grade
- JOY for 3rd-5th grade girls
- Torchbearers for 3rd-5th grade boys
- Youth Ministry
- English Conversation
- Contagious Faith Insight Circle
- Cultural Topics Insight Circle
- Parenting Insight Circle
- Women’s Bible Study
- Worship Team

### Thursday:

- 9:30 am Connect For Moms/Sunshine Kitchen

### Friday-Saturday:

MCC Relief Sale/Elkhart County Fair Grounds

### Private Events:

### Friday:

- 8 am Classical Conversation/Children’s Area

### Connections This Week:

Tuesday-Friday: 6:30-10:30 am

Saturday: 6:30 -10:30 am & 6 - 10 pm

**Connections Volunteers.** Are you looking for a way to serve the church with your spouse or friend? Connections is looking to add 2-4 friendly faces to serve coffee on Sunday mornings. If you are interested in joining the rotation (once ever 4-6 weeks) contact Jennifer.

**Connect for Moms** will be meeting again beginning Thursday, September 7, 9:30 a.m. - 11 a.m. in the Sunshine Kitchen. They meet every first and third Thursday from September through April. This year they will be studying the book *Praying the Scriptures for your Children* by Jodie Berndt.

**The Tuesday morning Ladies Bible study** will begin Sept 19 . Jodi Mullet will lead the Kelly Minter study *No Other Gods*. Learn to identify the functional gods you are serving daily and the lies they tell. Only when you learn to dethrone modern-day idols can you pursue a deeper, relationship with Jesus! Contact Pat Yoder (574-536-3831) before Sept 8 to join so books can be ordered.

**Senior Adults Meal October 1:** Join us after worship for lunch, crafts, and good conversation. The main dish will be provided. Please bring a salad or dessert if you are able. Sign up sheets will be passed in Sunday School Classes on September 10, 17, and 24. Thank you all for your generosity with providing desserts and sides.

**Michiana Mennonite Relief Sale:** Mark your calendars for the 56th annual Michiana Mennonite Relief Sale held at the Elkhart County Fairgrounds Friday September 22 and Saturday September 23. The sale begins Friday at 5pm with activities until 9pm and continues Saturday at 7am until early afternoon. Check out the website for more information and a schedule of events at [www.mennonitesale.org](http://www.mennonitesale.org)

### DATES TO REMEMBER:

- Oct 8** Baptism Sunday
- Oct 27** Trunk & Treat
- Nov 12** Harvest Sunday
- Dec 3** Children’s Christmas Musical

**Community Church of Waterford** will be hosting the Going Beyond Simulcast featuring Priscilla Shirer on Saturday, September 9. Tickets are \$20 before September 4, and \$25 after. They can be purchased at [ccwgoshen.org/goingbeyond](http://ccwgoshen.org/goingbeyond). A light breakfast and lunch is included. Questions may be directed to Pastor Julie Lehman.

**Save the date for a Comforter Bash!** Make plans to join us on November 10 and 11 for the Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) Comforter Bash in Goshen. People of all ages are invited to knot comforters at Pleasant View Church. For more information about the event visit [mmc.org/Goshen-comforter-bash](http://mmc.org/Goshen-comforter-bash) or contact Donna Stoltzfus at 574-831-4098. A handmade comforter provides not only warmth but also a tangible message to people that their needs are not forgotten.

**Quilt Program at Goshen College**, Sept. 16, 2 p.m. Quilt expert Janneken Smucker will give a gallery talk, Saturday, Sept. 16 at 2 p.m. in Goshen College's Good Library Gallery. The public is invited to this free program, sponsored by the Amish Mennonite Museum Committee. Smucker will speak about quilts featured in the current gallery exhibit: *A Cabinet of Curiosities 3*. A Goshen native, Smucker is professor of history at West Chester University (PA) and authored a definitive book, *Amish Quilts: Crafting an American Icon*. She is also working with forthcoming exhibits and publications for the International Quilt Museum (Nebraska) and the Smithsonian American Art Museum.