

February Birthdays

February 1 Becky McCune  
Cathy Thomas  
February 2 Mark Gering  
February 3 Jennis Hofer  
February 4 Derald Walter  
February 8 Sam Sorensen  
February 10 Josh Stahl  
Lori Uecker  
February 19 Charles Mutchelknaus  
February 22 Brody Sorensen  
February 23 Betty Walter  
February 24 Lane McCune  
February 25 Gerald Watson  
Brynn Bunger  
February 28 Dennis Epp  
Janett Walter

**BETHANY MENNONITE CHURCH**

**February 4, 2024**

Prelude Sheila Wipf  
Screen  
**Praise Hymns**  
•Call To Worship  
One: Come, let us worship Almighty God.  
**All: Let us lift up our songs, our prayers, our praises.**  
One: Come, let us honor Christ Jesus.  
**All: Let us love Christ with our hearts, our minds, our spirits.**  
One: Come, let us be filled with the Spirit of the Living God.  
**All: Breathe in us, Breath of God. Alleluia.**  
•Hymn "Here I Am, Lord" #496  
•Invocation  
Morning Greeting  
•Hymn "Cornerstone" Screen  
Announcements and Prayer Requests  
Time of Prayer  
Morning Offering for the General Fund  
Doxology  
•Hymn "Lamb Of God" Screen  
Scripture Reading – 1 Corinthians 9: 16-23 p. 1134  
Freedom To Become A Slave Pastor Shane  
HOLY COMMUNION  
•Hymn "You Are My All In All" Screen  
Benediction  
•Closing "Find Us Faithful" Screen  
Postlude Sheila Wipf  
~Retiring Offering for the Elder Sharing Fund

Bethany Mennonite Church

509 S. Juniper Street, PO Box 396, Freeman, SD 57029  
Making Disciples: Worship/Celebration; Caring/Sharing; Learning/Serving  
Worship—9:00AM Sunday School at 10:15AM  
Food Pantry—OPEN 1<sup>st</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> FRIDAYS from 1:00PM to 5:00PM  
Broadcast on cable television channel 90 at 9:00AM  
& UTV (Freeman Cable channel 10) at 4:00PM  
Special Event programming published in church bulletin, Freeman Courier  
E-mail address—bethanym@gwtc.net  
Pastor's Office: 925-7402, Pastor's Phone: 940-2728  
Secretary's Office: 925-7311, Fax 925-7202  
Prayer Chain Requests – 760-3410 (Sheila)

## LEARNING/SERVING—THIS WEEK

<b>Today</b>	9:00am	Worship
	10:00am	Fellowship Time
	10:15am	Sunday School-children & adults
<b>Wednesday</b>	5:30pm	Elder Meeting
<b>Next Sunday</b>	9:00am	Worship
	10:00am	Fellowship Time
	10:15am	Sunday School-children & adults

### Prayer List

Derald Walter; Kobee Sherman; Amy Walter

### Family Matters

Milt, Julie, Brooklyn, Emily, Megan, & Aubree Mendel;  
Tyler, Hilary, Layla, and Veyda Uecker & Taylor & Steven

Next Week's offering will be for Mennonite Church USA

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Last week's General Fund offering was \$2,901

Total income for January was \$18,970

Total expenses were \$11,140

Balance for January +\$7,831

### Food Pantry Volunteers

Friday, Feb 9: Closed

Friday, Feb. 16: Laverne D, Jenille N, Dennis E

### YouTube Links:

February 4:

<https://youtube.com/live/YakaC8TNHVI?feature=share>

January 28:

<https://youtube.com/live/SVNrxqcA7RY?feature=share>

### Good News From the Et Cetera Shoppe

We're excited! In 2022, Et Cetera Shoppe sent a new record of \$45,000 to benefit the work of Mennonite Central Committee around the world. In 2023....we were able to send \$60,000! It has been exciting to be able to make such a meaningful contribution to a worldwide mission, as well as to provide a beautiful and friendly place for community members on a budget to find affordable clothing and household items. What makes this possible? Your donations! A thrift shop can only be as good as the donations it receives. As we enter a new year, we invite you to consider First Fruits giving to our work. Donate your best! Some of the things we are continually in need of include furniture pieces that are clean and in sturdy condition, and good condition children's clothing in sizes 5-18. (We accept many, many other things as well!) In September we will celebrate our 45<sup>th</sup> birthday – come join our team of volunteers in time to celebrate with us!

### Schmeckfest Cheese Pocket Days

Cheese pockets for the 2024 Schmeckfest Country Kitchen will be made on Friday afternoon and Saturday, Feb. 16 & 17, and Feb. 23 & 24, in the Pioneer Hall Dining Room. Plans are to begin at 3:30 pm on Fridays and 9:00 am on Saturdays. Please bring a sack lunch on Saturdays. Join the volunteer crew for a great time of work and fellowship and learn how this ethnic favorite is made. Watch the Courier or Freeman Academy websites for weather cancellation.

### Swan Lake Update

Last year, Swan Lake Christian Camp was able to offer scholarships to 57 kids totaling \$8,000. Through the generosity of the Jackson Vetch memorial fund and other monies, we offer help to any who feel that they cannot pay the full camp fees. Our policy has been to ask that they pay what they are able and the camp will cover the balance. On average, the parents paid nearly \$100 of the full week fees of \$260. It is an honor to help these kids. We invite you to join us in this ministry.