

Prayer Requests

Mennonite Church USA: Pray for smooth adjustments and joy as Mennonite Mission Network's Service Adventure unit leaders and participants settle into their new communities in Anchorage, AK; Colorado Springs, CO; Raleigh, NC; Albuquerque, NM Albany, OR; Johnstown, PA.

Western District Conference: Pray for the spiritual vigor and leadership vision of our Western District Conference ministry staff: Marlene Bogard, Minister of Christian Formation; Gilberto Flores, Associate Conference Minister; Dwight Regier, Youth Ministry Network Team Leader; and Clarence Rempel, Conference Minister.

This congregation: Give thanks for Weldon Martens, and pray for joy and energy for him as he begins work as Interim Associate Pastor for Faith Formation at BCMC.

If you would like to request prayer or a visit, contact the church office or one of the pastors. The Prayer Network and Visitation Team are ministries sponsored by the Deacon Commission.

Bethel College Mennonite Church welcomes into fellowship and membership all persons who confess faith in Jesus Christ, without regard to their race, ethnic background, gender, age, sexual orientation, education, ability, and other factors which give rise to discrimination and marginalization.

Church office hours: 9:00 a.m. – noon on Mon – Fri; 1:00 –5:00 p.m. on Mon – Thurs.
Building is locked daily at 5 p.m. unless evening activities are scheduled.

Notary public service is available in the church office.

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Bethel College Mennonite Church
October 20, 2013

The lights in the sanctuary windows witness to our hope and prayers for peace. We encourage others to place a light in a window as a reminder to pray for peace.

~ *Witness Commission.*

Bethel College Mennonite Church

2600 College Avenue, Box 364, North Newton, KS 67117 316-283-3667

Pastors: Heidi Regier Kreider, Susan Wheeler, Weldon Martens

October 20, 2013

Worship 9:30 a.m.

TIME FOR WORSHIP

GATHERING

Prelude *On Eagle's Wings* Joncas, arr. Carter
Like the murmur of the dove's song [HWB #29] Cutts, arr. Carter
Sonata No. 8, op. 13 – Adagio cantabile Beethoven
Eleanor Kaufman, pianist

Introit *The word was made flesh* Hovland
Chancel Choir; William Eash, director

Greeting and prayer Emerson Wiens

***Hymn** *Our Father God, thy name we praise* **HWB 32**
(children come forward during hymn)

LISTENING TO GOD'S WORD

Time with children Harold Thieszen

Old Testament reading Jeremiah 31:27-34

Hymn *I long for your commandments* **HWB 543**

New Testament readings Luke 18:1-8 and 2 Timothy 3:14-4:5

Scripture response
For the Word of God in scripture,
for the Word of God within us,
for the Word of God among us

Thanks be to God.

Anthem *How can I keep from singing* arr. Nelson

Sermon *Owning the faith* Heidi Regier Kreider

RESPONDING IN FAITH

***Hymn** *Lord, I have made thy word* **HWB 317**

Installation for Weldon Martens as Interim Associate Pastor for Faith Formation - led by Clarence Rempel, Western District Conference Minister

Kingdom Report: Harvey Co. Homeless Shelter Marlene Faul

Prayer of God's people

Offering
To learn more about BCMC or share a prayer request, please fill out a card from the pew rack and place in offering plate.

Offertory *Let all things now living* Welsh, arr. Larkin

***Dedication hymn** *O God, who gives us life* (st. 1) **HWB 483**

***Dedication prayer**

SENDING

***Hymn** *O God, who gives us life* (stanzas 2-3) **HWB 483**

***Benediction**

***Benediction response** *The Lord bless you and keep you* **STJ 76**

***Postlude**

*All who are able are invited to stand

HWB = Hymnal: A Worship Book

STJ = Sing the Journey

Welcome visitors and friends! May you sense God's presence at BCMC. Personal hearing devices are at the north sanctuary entrance. The Nursery (Rm 20 behind balcony) is available during worship for families with infants and toddlers. Following Time with Children, children receive activity bags to use during worship (return to baskets at the entrance as you leave). We invite members and visitors to fill out welcome/prayer cards located in pew racks and place them in the offering plates for response by pastoral staff.

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BCMC staff news: Weldon Martens has been appointed by the BCMC Church Board to serve as Interim Associate Pastor for Faith Formation at BCMC. He began work this past week, and will be installed during the worship service today. You are invited to greet Weldon following the worship service, during the fellowship time. This full-time interim position includes working with Faith Formation Commission, Bethel College Relations Team, other staff and volunteers to give oversight to programs of education and nurture, and to activities with youth, college students and young adults; and leading worship and preaching once a month. Weldon Martens grew up in Inman, KS, graduated from Bethel College, and received his M.Div. degree from Associated Mennonite Biblical Seminary. He has served as pastor at Pleasant Valley Mennonite Church in Harper, KS, and as lead pastor at Bethesda Mennonite Church in Henderson, NE. Most recently he was supply pastor at Grace Hill Mennonite Church, Whitewater, KS, and prior to that served as Interim Vice President for Student Life at Bethel College. Weldon lives in North Newton with his wife Jenny. We welcome Weldon to the BCMC staff! (*Note: The interim associate pastoral position is for up to a year, during which time the Church Board plans to appoint a search committee to bring a recommendation for approval by Board and congregation to call a "settled" associate pastor.*)

This Week at BCMC: October 20 –October 27, 2013

Bethel College events:

• **Life Enrichment:** Wednesday, Oct. 23, at Krehbiel Auditorium:

9:30 a.m. *What's New at Newton Medical Center*, Steve Kelly

10:35 a.m. **Double Session – Marathon on Mt. Everest: How Hard Can it Be?**, Kay Cherryholmes

• **Bethel College's Menno Simons Lectures with Marlene Epp**, professor at Conrad Grebel University College, Waterloo, Ontario, Sun., Oct. 27-Tues., Oct. 29 – speaking on the overall topic “The Semiotics of Zwieback, Sauerkraut and Spring Rolls: Mennonites and Foodways.” Oct. 27 lecture, 3:30 p.m., Bethel College Mennonite Church (**note time and location**); Oct. 28 lectures at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m., Krehbiel Auditorium; Oct. 29 lecture, 7 p.m., Krehbiel Auditorium

Hesston College Bel Canto Singers present the program *Dwelling in Thresholds*, 4 p.m., Sun., Oct. 20 at Hesston Mennonite Church. The concert is free and open to the public; a free-will offering will be received.

Hesston College hosts A Celebration of Gospel: Music and Worship in the African-American tradition, Oct. 25 to 27. The Bluffton (Ohio) University Gospel Choir, directed by Dr. Crystal Sellers Battle, will lead area choirs to sing in the African-American Gospel tradition. A festival concert is 5 p.m., Sun., Oct. 27 at Hesston Mennonite Church. Local singers are invited to sing as part of the mass choir. Contact Ken Rodgers at Hesston College, 620-327-8145, kenr@hesston.edu, by Oct. 20 to participate.

Mennonite Central Committee Central States seeks a part-time custodian for the North Newton office. To apply, contact Melissa Waltner at 283-2720 or MelissaWaltner@mcc.org. See <http://serve.mcc.org/positions/custodian-cs> for job description.

Ruth Yoder Wenger will present "Bridging the gap: Stories of peace and hope in a broken world" at 7 p.m., Tues., Oct. 29, at Hesston Mennonite Church. A seasoned educator, director of training for National Disaster Interfaiths Network and pastor of the North Bronx Mennonite Church, Yoder Wenger will share stories from her experiences in a variety of settings including 9/11. All are welcome to attend.

Ten Thousand Villages store in Newton will be closing its doors for the last time on October 30. We wish to sincerely thank all of our loyal customers. Starting October 19, items in the store will be reduced 50% storewide, with the exception of some food items. Please stop by for savings and to say goodbye. Also, please continue supporting fair trade by shopping at the Hutchinson, Lawrence or Overland Park stores. You may also shop online at www.tenthousandvillages.com

Today, Oct. 20

10:30 a.m. Fellowship time with coffee served in Fellowship Hall

10:50 a.m. Christian Education for all ages – Visitors welcome!

Children and youth Sunday school classes:

- 2-3 year olds—Rm B-6
- pre-K through 4th grade students—following snacks in Fellowship Hall, meet in Room B-8 for a time of singing and storytelling
- 5th, 6th, 7th, and 8th grade students—Rm 26
- Sr Hi Youth—Rm 22

Adult Sunday school classes:

- College students—Agape Center in Richert House, 2611 College Ave.
- Young Adult gathering—KIPCOR, 2515 College Ave.
- Bible Study—Rm 14—A study of *Ephesians*
- Chapel Class—Visiting other Sunday school classes
- Catacombs—Rm B-5—*The Sermon on the Mount*
- Fine Arts—Rm 24—The book *God, Gene, NSB*, by Dr. H.R. Schmidt
- Issues & Christianity—Rm 23—Biblical history, discussion of issues/events
- Mosaic—Rm 20
- Open Circle—Rm B-7—Sermon reflection and response
- Seekers—Rm 21
- Sojourners—Rm 28—*What is happening in Western District Conference churches?* – WDC Conference Minister Clarence Rempel

Monday, October 21

3:00 p.m. BCMC worship DVD—Kidron Bethel Health Care

7:00 p.m. Worship Commission—Rm 23

Tuesday, October 22

1:00 p.m. BCMC worship DVD—Kidron Bethel Assisted Living (note new day and time)

Wednesday, October 23

6:00 p.m. Supper—Fellowship Hall

6:30 p.m. Cherub Choir (Rm 24) and Junior Choir (Rm 28)

6:45 p.m. Adult program: *Encounters with Scripture* – Fellowship Hall

7:00 p.m. Senior High Youth group—Room 22

7:15 p.m. Venture Club – Room B-8; Junior Hi Club – Room 26

7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir—Sanctuary

8:00 p.m. Youth Bells – Room B-7 **8:30 p.m.** Chancel Bells—Rm B-7

Thursday, October 24

7:00 p.m. Deacon Commission—Rm 23

Sunday, October 27

9:30 a.m. Worship with sermon on *Eating Mindfully*, by Marlene Epp, Menno Simons Lecturer; music by Cherub Choir and Chancel Bells

10:30 a.m. Fellowship time with coffee served in Fellowship Hall

10:50 a.m. Christian Education for all ages; Adult Sunday school elective with Marlene Epp - Sanctuary

3:30 p.m. Menno Simons Lecture with Marlene Epp—BCMC Sanctuary

Engaging our Sexual Culture is co-sponsored by Bethel College Campus Ministries and Western District Conference Human Sexuality Discernment Task Force on **Fri., Oct. 25**. At 11 a.m. Keith Graber Miller, professor of Bible, religion and philosophy at Goshen College (IN), will speak in Convocation. At 7 p.m., Ted Swartz of Ted and Co. Theaterworks will present a new drama, *A Peek into the Church's Journey with Sexuality*; and Keith Graber Miller will speak on *Shameless Sexuality*. Friday's events are in Krehbiel Auditorium. Tickets for evening \$10, available at the college ticket office or call 283-2500. ***The Church and homosexuality: A Conversation that can hold us together*** is a gathering on **Sat., Oct. 26, 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.** at Faith Mennonite Church, 2100 N. Anderson, sponsored by WDC Human Sexuality Discernment Task Force. Keith Graber Miller and David Boshart, executive conference minister for Central Plains Conference of Mennonite Church USA, will speak about the church's response to persons of same-sex orientation, followed by respondents, and discussion on maintaining relationships despite conflicting convictions. Lunch provided. All interested in this topic are encouraged to attend. The event is free but registration is requested. To register or for more info, contact WDC at 283-6300 or wdc@mennowdc.org, or see the website at <http://mennowdc.org/>

BCMC Living Stones renovations update:

- This past week, sheetrock was put up in hallway and restroom areas, and the design team finalized colors for paint, tile and window shades.
- As work progresses, services such as electricity, air-conditioning/heating, and water supply are periodically interrupted. The church staff requests your patience as we work to keep areas clean and to manage the facility during renovations. Please help out by turning off lights, closing windows, and putting things away after use. Thank-you!
- With all the activity in the building, Sunday school rooms are being kept locked for safety and security purposes, and opened on Sundays. Please contact the church office if you need to access a room during the week.

Hosts needed for student friendship meals: On Sunday, Nov. 10, BCMC members will host Bethel College students for an evening meal (between 6-8 p.m.) in their homes. If you would like to host 6-8 students, please contact Darlene Dick (283-7416) or the church office. This is a great way to connect with and support Bethel students! ~ *BC Relations Team*


Help us find the following books which are missing from our library.

Children's Books: *Nicolas, where have you been?* Leo Lionni; *John Burningham's ABC*, John Burningham; *Wolf!* Becky Bloom; *Short Tales*, Carol Duerksen; Junior Fiction: *Frightful's Mountain*, Jean George; Adult Non-Fiction: *Dewey*, Vicki Myron. ~ *Library Committee*

Volunteer for the MCC Mobile Meat Canner in N. Newton Oct. 28, 29 and 30. Today Hugo Boschmann will be at a table in Fellowship Hall with sign-up sheets for volunteers. MCC purchases all the meat that is canned and seeks donations to cover the cost of \$28,000, from Newton area churches, for this year's expenses. Make checks payable to BCMC with MCC Meat Canning on the memo line.

Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale seeks a bread committee chairperson and children's activities coordinator. Also needed are committee members for Kansas crafts, verenike making, new year's cookies, purchasing, bohne beroggi baking and Penny Power booth. KMRS is struggling to obtain these volunteers, so please give this prayerful consideration. And, start thinking now about projects to make and donate to the MCC Sale: Quiet Books, embroidered tea towels, comforters, blankets, jewelry, soap, greeting cards, and nylon net "scrubbies" are always in demand. Cookbooks and caps are in demand as well, so when cleaning out those closets, consider donating them to the MCC Sale. Sale dates are April 11-12, 2014. BCMC committee members are Jim & Beaty Robb, chairs, Kathy and Dennis Campbell, Ron and Carol Peters. Contact one of them for more information.

Bethel College's second Worship and the Arts Symposium, "Accompany Them with Singing," Nov. 16, will explore how cultural realities influence Christian practices of marking life transitions. Plenary sessions with Thomas G. Long of Candler School of Theology and John Ferguson of St. Olaf College; workshops; hymnsing; artist presentation by Ann Resnick; 7:30 p.m. worship service featuring the Bethel College Concert Choir and area singers. Register online at www.bethelks.edu/worshiparts or contact Mary Regier at 316-284-5250 weekdays during regular business hours.



It's Supper Time! Wednesday night supper Oct.23, 6 p.m. in Fellowship Hall, followed by activities for children, youth and adults. Adult program: *Encounters with Scripture: The Bible in 50 words: Getting the big picture.* **Bring your Bible for a table group activity!** To make reservations for supper, complete this form and place in the offering, or email office.bcmc@sbcglobal.net, or call church office at 283-3667 by 10 a.m. Mon., Oct. 21. Cost is by donation, with a suggestion of \$4.50/person or \$12/family per meal. Please bring your own table service. Oct. 23 menu: French toast, bacon, frozen fruit. Child care provided 6:30-7:30 p.m. in Room B6 by reservation.

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Meal reservation(s) for October 23
 Number of people attending meal ____ Name: _____
 Child care needed 6:45-7:30 p.m. for (names) _____