

Prayer Requests

Mennonite Church USA: Last month, Deb and Wes Bergen arrived on the campus of the Good News Theological College and Seminary in Accra, Ghana, for a two-year assignment with Mennonite Mission Network. Pray that their ministry will bless students and colleagues, even as they are blessed through joining Christ's body in West Africa.

Western District Conference: Pray for Susan Jantzen who will be ordained as pastor at First Mennonite Church, Hillsboro next Sun., Feb. 23.

This congregation: Pray for participants in the adult membership class, who are preparing to be received into membership on March 2 here at BCMC.

(That Sunday their names and faith statements will be listed in the bulletin.)

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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Winter weather watch! In the event of extreme cold, snow or ice, please use caution when coming to and from the church. To check for church closing or canceled services, see the BCMC website at <http://www.bethelcollegemennonitechurch.org>. Information about church closings will also be listed on local radio and TV stations if possible.

February 9 at BCMC: Attendance 241. General Fund \$15,688.60; Transfer-General \$10; Living Stones \$2,140.



February 16, 2014
Bethel College Mennonite Church

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

Pastors: Heidi Regier Kreider, Susan Wheeler, Weldon Martens

February 16, 2014

Worship 9:30 a.m.

TIME FOR WORSHIP

GATHERING

Prelude *Andante* F. Schubert
Adagio W. A. Mozart
Mary Jo Preheim, pianist

Introit *We are children of our God* Jothan
Love is a special thing Oliver
Cherub Choir, Megan Siebert, director; Nancy Hilty, accompanist

Greeting and prayer Fred Obold

***Hymn** *The God of Abraham praise* **HWB 162**
(Children come forward during hymn)

LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

Time with children Kathy and Dennis Campbell

Old Testament Psalm 119:9-16

Worship music *Sweet hour of prayer* arr. Eithun
Menno Ringers; Vada Snider, director

New Testament reading Matthew 5:21-37

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!

Sermon *But I say to you . . .* Heidi Regier Kreider

RESPONDING IN FAITH

***Hymn** *Gracious Spirit, dwell with me* **HWB 507**

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 *Andante* J. S. Bach

***Dedication hymn** *If all you want, Lord* **HWB 512**

***Dedication prayer**

SENDING

***Closing hymn** *Love the Lord your God* **STS 55**
south side begin lower part; north side enter 2nd on higher part

***Benediction**

***Benediction response**

***Postlude**

Allegro

J. S. Bach

*All who are able are invited to stand

HWB = Hymnal: A Worship Book

STS = Sing the Story

Welcome visitors and friends! May you sense God's presence at BCMC. Personal hearing devices are at the north sanctuary entrance. The nursery at rear of sanctuary 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 Spring Wednesday night suppers and programs begin Feb. 19. Suppers will be at 6 p.m., and adult programs at 6:45 p.m. will feature a presentation by Dobson Organ company representatives, an Ash Wednesday service, hosting the Bethel College Concert Choir for supper and a concert before their Spring Break trip, and a series on *Perspectives on Aging*. A brochure with more details and supper menus is in your mailbox today.

BCMC will again provide volunteers for the Harvey County Homeless Shelter Feb. 19-25. Please consider helping out, and if you can do so.

The first film in the Kansas Institute for Peace and Conflict Resolution spring film series is *Two Sided Story*, a 75-minute documentary about a project that brings many sides of the conflict in Israel-Palestine together for "conversations toward reconciliation"; **today** Feb. 16, 3:30 p.m., Krehbiel Auditorium, with a talk-back session facilitated by Patty Shelly; free.

Thank you to all who participated in the recent Gifts Discernment Survey! The Gifts Discernment Committee is now processing responses, and has closed the on-line survey site. However, survey responses are still welcome at any time, using a paper survey form available on the BCMC website, or in the church office. – *Gifts Discernment Committee*

This Week at BCMC: February 16 – February 23, 2014

NEEDED! Players for BCMC's Men's Basketball team. Western District Tournament is March 24-25 and 27-29 at Bethel College. Join the team (if you are over 18), and keep Pastor Weldon off the court. Let Matt Koontz know if you want to play.

The Anabaptist Vision and Discipleship Series (AVDS) is Feb. 21-23 at Hesston College as part of MCUSA Year of the Bible with "*Reading the Bible in an Instagram World.*" As part of the event, Ted & Co. (Ted Swartz and Jeremy Kempf) present "Didn't You Get My Letter? Musings from the Apostle Paul," 7:30 p.m., Sat., Feb. 22 at Hesston Mennonite Church. Tickets are \$10 (adults) and \$5 (students) with advance purchase through the Hesston College Bookstore at 620-327-8105 or at the door. See www.hesston.edu/avds for information. (Western District has a \$30 rebate available for 30 WDC participants. Contact Nancy Funk at wdc@mennowdc.org to sign up for the post-event issued rebate.)

Bethel College Wind Ensemble concert, Sat., Feb. 22, 7:30 p.m. with works by Hovhanness, Grainger, Benson and Reed; Krehbiel Auditorium; free; offering taken to support music study and programming at Bethel College.

Offender/Victim Ministries' Annual Dinner is Mon., Feb. 24, 6:30 p.m. at the Amish Community Building, Hutchinson with speaker Michelle Armster, transitional executive director of Mennonite Central Committee Central States. Dinner is provided; donations appreciated. **RSVP** to 316-283-2038 or email ovm.ks@sbcglobal.net by Mon., Feb. 17.

Levi Goossen will present Friends of the MLA (Mennonite Library & Archives) program Tues., Feb. 25, 7 p.m. on the history and significance of the Bethel College bell; in the Administration Building chapel.

Joel Linscheid will direct Bethel College Jazz Ensemble I in a "Spring Swing" concert, March 1, 7:30 p.m. at the historic Fox Theater in Newton, featuring music of the swing era with **guest soloists Brett Jackson and Aaron Linscheid**; free with donations accepted to support jazz at Bethel as well as the ongoing renovation project at the Fox.

Women, mark your calendars for the annual Spring Supper, Thurs., March 20, Faith Mennonite Church, Newton, with speaker Karen Dalke, pastor from Des Moines, IA, for women of all ages of Western District Conference and South Central Conference and their guests. Supper, \$6.00 per person at the door, is at 6 p.m. Reservations required by Mar. 1.

Mennonite Central Committee Comforter Blitz is Mar. 10 and 11 at the Journey at Yoder Campus, one mile north of Yoder. Monday from noon to 9 p.m. and Tuesday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Comforters are tied for MCC to send overseas to people in need. Chili is available for Monday supper for a donation. Sloppy Joes are available for a donation at noon on Tuesday. You can also bring a sack lunch if you are staying through a meal.

Today

10:30 a.m. Fellowship time with coffee served in the Gathering Place

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 singing and story
- 5th, 6th, 7th, and 8th grade students—Rm 26; Sr Hi Youth—Rm 22

Adult Sunday school classes:

- Agape (Young Adults)—KIPCOR, 2515 College Ave.
- College students—Agape Center in Richert House, 2611 College Ave.
- *The Bible in 90 Days*—Fellowship Hall
- Catacombs—Rm B-5—*Dying to be pure*, Robert Schmidt
- Fine Arts—Rm 24—*Understanding the New Testament* video series
- Issues & Christianity—Rm 23—*Understanding of the Old Testament*, dvd
- Open Circle—Rm B-7—Sermon reflection and response
- Seekers—Rm 21—
- Sojourners—Chapel—

1:00 p.m. Youth catechism – Room 22

3:00 p.m. Orientation / new member class – Room 14

Monday, February 17

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

7:00 p.m. Worship Commission—Rm 14

Tuesday, February 18-Women's Fellowship Circles

1:00 p.m. BCMC worship DVD—Kidron Bethel Assisted Living

2:00 p.m. Circle 1-Kidron Bethel Community Room

Circle 2-Alice Suderman's, 3010 Wildwood Ct., North Newton

Circle 5-BCMC Fellowship Hall

BCMC Search Committee—Rm 14

4:00 p.m. BC Relations Team-Agape Center

5:30 p.m. Hospitality Commission—Rm 14

7:00 p.m. Circle 3-Dianne Epps, 11 Lakewood Circle, North Newton

Circle 4-Carol Bullers, 1620 N. Plum, Newton

Facilities Committee—Rm 14

Wednesday, February 19

8:00 a.m. Staff meeting – Rm 14

6:00 p.m. Wednesday Night Supper—Fellowship Hall

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

7:00 p.m. Senior High youth—Rm 22 **8:00 p.m.** Youth Bells—Rm B-7

7:15 p.m. Venture Club—Rm B-8 and Junior High Club—Rm 26

7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir—Sanctuary **8:30 p.m.** Chancel Bells—Rm B-7

Thursday, February 20

6:30 p.m. Faith Formation Commission—Rm B-8

7:00 p.m. Deacon Commission—Rm 14; Witness Commission—Rm 23

Finance Committee-Rm B-7

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Sunday, February 23

9:30 a.m. Worship-Sermon by Heidi Regier Kreider; Music-Chancel Choir

10:30 a.m. Fellowship time with refreshments in the Gathering Place

10:50 a.m. Christian Education for all ages

1:00 p.m. Youth catechism – Room 22

2:00 p.m. Orientation / new member class – Room 14

4:00 p.m. Faspa for new members—Fellowship Hall



Kansas MCC Relief Sale is April 11-12 at Hutchinson Fair Grounds!

***Penny Power begins today!** Children will receive juice bottles for coin collecting in Sunday School. Jars are in high school and adult Sunday School rooms.

***MCC Bucks:** Ten one-dollar gift certificate packets are available to purchase. Buy some now and give to family and friends as an incentive to attend the sale.

***Quilter's Corner:** A collection box is located between the mailboxes. An updated list of suggested items is in the box.

***Cookbooks:** Don't know what to do with those unused cookbooks? Donate them to the sale. Put them in the box located between the mailboxes.

***Comforter Blitz:** The dates for the Comforter Blitz are Monday, March 10, from 12 noon to 9 p.m. and Tuesday, March 11, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.. Contact Carol Peters for more information.

***Run for Relief:** Join in the fun and help those in need. Be a part of the 2014 Run for Relief. Entry forms are available at the table at the back of the sanctuary, under the balcony for the next several Sundays.

***Urgent:** Volunteers are still needed for a variety of committees. Need more information? Contact committee reps Jim & Beaty Robb (620-345-7142), Dennis & Kathy Campbell (283-5151), Ron & Carol Peters (283-4232).

BCMC is hosting the March 27 general meeting of the Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale and 30 dozen cookies/bars are needed. If you would be willing to donate cookies/bars for this event please sign up at the table in the back of the sanctuary, under the balcony. A reminder notice will be sent prior to the March 27 meeting. Thanks so much for your willingness to help out.

Life Enrichment Wednesday, Feb. 19, at Krehbiel Auditorium:

9:30 a.m. *Garden Fish Pond Development and Landscape*, Linda Reimer

10:35 a.m. *Collaboration in Harvey Co.*, John Waltner

11:30 a.m. "A BC ABC Book", Bethel College community

The Board of Directors of Everence is seeking a President and Chief Executive Officer to lead the faith-based financial services organization that offers investments, insurance, banking and charitable services. Send a cover letter and resume by March 15, to Kirk Stiffney at kirk@stiffneygroup.com or MHS, 1112 N. Main St., Goshen, IN 46528. For more information, visit everence.com/careers.

New Date for "Managing Differences in Faith Communities", a one-hour credit course from AMBS, taught at KIPCOR, **May 8-9**, 8-5 both days—but credit registration closes Mon., Feb. 17. Enroll online www.ambs.edu/forms/One-course-registration IMMEDIATELY. However, if you desire "certificate" (non-credit) you must register by May 1 with KIPCOR directly at 284-5217. Cost is \$300 per person but costs are reduced for congregations sending more than one registration.

All are invited, Sat., March 1, 10 a.m. to Hope Mennonite Church 868 N. Maize Rd., Wichita to join the MCC Central States staff and board for: *Building Beloved Community: MCC Central States and the Work of Decolonization*. In Aug. 2012 MCC Central States developed a Unity of Purpose statement that provides guidance in their work to realize MCC's commitment to peace and justice. That document acknowledges the role colonialism has played in disrupting and marginalizing communities. Decolonization is the process of affirming the divinity within our diversity. Program Coordinators working in Louisiana, South Dakota, New Mexico and Texas reflect on the work of decolonization and racial justice as crucial aspects of MCC's commitment to peace and the building of beloved community. Lunch will follow. Please RSVP for this event to Tina Schrag at tinaschrag@mcc.org or by calling 316-283-2720 by Mon., Feb. 24.

As the Camp Mennoscah Association plans for the future, the board of directors is adding a staff position to join camp director Olivia Bartel and maintenance coordinator, Gardell Stucky. The new position of executive director will focus on advancement. The board affirms that adding an executive director to the staff will help achieve the vision of being a place where people of all ages come to renew themselves, their relationships and their connection to God. For more information about the executive director position send questions to campmenno@gmail.com.



It's Supper Time! Wednesday night supper Feb. 19, 6 p.m. in Fellowship Hall, followed by activities for children, youth and adults. 6:45 pm program: Presentation by John Panning, vice president, and John Streufert from Dobson

Organ Co. 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., Feb. 17. Cost is by donation, with suggestion of \$4.50/person or \$12/family per meal. Please bring your own table service. Feb. 19 menu: Red beans and rice, cornbread, fresh fruit, Key lime dessert. Child care provided 6:30-7:30 p.m. in Room B6 by reservation.



Meal reservation(s) for February 19

Number of people attending meal ____ Name: _____

Child care needed 6:45-7:30 p.m. for (names) _____

Sign up for all 8 meals: Yes No