

Prayer Requests

Mennonite Church USA: Mennonite Mission Network thanks you for praying for the Evangelical Mennonite Church of Congo mediation process that took place in December. Praise God for a good outcome and for the cooperation among the three Mennonite denominations in the country. Pray that church unity would continue to grow.

Western District Conference: Pray for the Western District Conference representatives to Constituency Leaders Council (CLC) of Mennonite Church USA – Clarence Rempel, Diana Schunn, and Jaime Cazares. CLC will be meeting on the Bethel College campus, March 20-22.

This congregation: Pray for students, faculty and staff during Spring break, for rest, renewal and safety in travel.

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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March 9 at BCMC: Attendance: 304. General Fund \$14,404.15; Wed. supper \$75; Transfer-General \$417; Columbarium Fund \$590; Organ Fund \$100; Living Stones \$3,880; Marlin Frey Mem. \$50.



March 16, 2014

Second Sunday in Lent

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

March 16, 2014

Worship 9:30 a.m.

SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

GATHERING

Prelude *Now praise the Lord, my soul* Buxtehude
Adagio from Sonata in c minor Guilmant
Eleanor Kaufman, organist

Introit *Kyrie [STS 68]* Reindorf
Chancel Choir; Doyle Preheim, director

Greeting and prayer John Sheriff

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

LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

Time with children Heidi Regier Kreider

Receiving new members

Congregational response **HWB 794**

Scripture reading

Introduction / *Jesus walked this lonesome valley* - v. 1 **STS 80**
(sing a cappella as directed)

Matthew 26:31-35 / *Jesus walked this lonesome valley* - v. 2

Matthew 26:36-46 / *Jesus walked this lonesome valley* - v. 3

Response: For the word of God in scripture, for the word of God revealed in Christ: **Thanks be to God.**

Anthem *All ye that cried unto the Lord* Mendelssohn
Chancel Choir

Meditation Heidi Regier Kreider

RESPONDING IN FAITH

***Hymn** *What a friend we have in Jesus* **HWB 574 (text at 573)**
(sing a cappella as directed)

Reflections on the Lord's Prayer Weldon Martens
"Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name..."

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 *Meditation on three Lenten hymns* arr. Callahan

***Dedication hymn** *I bind my heart this tide* **HWB 411**

***Dedication prayer**

SENDING

***Hymn** *Heart with loving heart united* **HWB 420**

***Benediction**

***Benediction response** *Lamb of God* Stroope
Chancel Choir

***Postlude** *Christ is made the sure foundation* arr. Johnson

*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.

Today everyone is invited to wear a name tag (available at sanctuary entrances), to get better acquainted as we welcome new members. Those being received into membership at BCMC today are Carl Andreas, Rosalind Andreas, Margret Loewen Gaeddert, Mary Kondziola, Weldon Martens, Jenny Harms Martens, Wendell Rempel and Aleta Rempel. Their faith statements are in a handout available as you leave worship today.

Today is the second Sunday in Lent, a 40-day season of spiritual renewal and preparation for the celebration of Easter. During Lent and Holy Week, worship services at BCMC feature readings from Matthew 26-28 recounting the passion, crucifixion and resurrection of Jesus. Each week we will also pray the Lord's Prayer (cf. Matthew 6:9-13) following brief reflections by Weldon Martens on portions of the prayer.

To All BCMC Women: A reminder to submit your response regarding preference of involvement in the BCMC Women's Fellowship. Deadline is today.

Missing from the BCMC library is the book by Bob Regier, *Yard Birds and Beyond*. It wasn't checked out and isn't on the shelf. Venture Club leaders want to use this book. ~ *Library Committee*

A recital and hymn festival led by organist Christopher Shaw to celebrate the organ and Holy Week, will take place at BCMC, Sat., April 19 at 3 p.m., with a freewill offering for Living Stones to support the organ renovation.

Check items in the lost and found (shelf above coat rack nearest to the office in hall). If an item belongs to you, take it home, otherwise, items left will be taken once a month at the end of the month to the EtCetera Shop.

No Life Enrichment Wed., Mar. 19 due to Bethel College Spring Break.

Join Mennonite Church USA Executive Director, Ervin R. Stutzman, as he presents information and reads from his most recent book *Jacob's Choice*. Book signings/presentations are as follows and open to the public: March 19, 12 –1 p.m. Faith and Life Bookstore, Newton and March 21, 7 p.m. Kidron-Bethel Village, North Newton.

Attention! The location for the Women's Spring Supper, March 20, 6 p.m., **has been changed to Eden Mennonite Church, Moundridge**. It was to have been at Faith Mennonite Church, but because of the high number of registrations, a larger space was necessary. Eden is located 4 miles west and 2 miles north of Moundridge. This information is for women who have already registered to attend. Sorry, no additional registrations accepted.

The WDC Basketball Tournament will be March 25-29 at Bethel College. Find schedule of games at: <http://mennowdc.org/wdc-basketball-tournament/>.

Here is the concert schedule for the Kansas Mennonite Men's Chorus:
Apr. 27, 7 p.m. – Central Community Church, 6100 W. Maple St., Wichita
May 4, 7 p.m. – Bethel College Memorial Hall, North Newton
June 8, 4:30 p.m. – Bethany College Presser Hall, Lindsborg (a joint concert with the Kansas City Metro Men's Chorus)

Camp Mennoscah Retirees' Relaxation Retreat is April 21-23 with the theme, *Little Drops of Water, Little Grains of Sand* which looks at those little but significant things that change the world. Contact the camp at 620-297-3290 for more information.

Women in Conversation Retreat is April 25-27 at Cross Winds Church Center, Hesston. Jennifer Davis Sensenig will speak on *The Spirited Lives of Women*. Register at <http://www.laurelville.org/programs/faith-development/women-in-conversation/>

The Western District Conference Annual Assembly will be July 4-6 in Waxahachie, TX. Contact Western District Conference if you have interest in riding a chartered bus from Newton, by June 3, at which time a determination will be made if there is enough interest. Fill out the online form at <http://mennowdc.org/conference-life/annual-assembly/>.

The first-ever "Spring into the Arts" Festival, presented by the Newton Area Arts Council, will kick off with its first major event, the Soweto Gospel Choir, at Bethel College, 7:30 p.m., Fri., Mar. 28, part of the Hesston-Bethel Performing Arts Series. The Newton Mid-Kansas Symphony Orchestra Spring Pops Concert is 4 p.m., Sun., Mar. 30, and will feature Bethel's director of jazz studies, Joel Linscheid, on solo saxophone. Both events take place in Memorial Hall. For a complete Spring into the Arts schedule, see www.newtonarts.org.

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

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—*The legacy of Mary K. Oyer*, video
- 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— Book study—*If the church were Christian*, Philip Gulley
- Sojourners-Chapel—*Reflections on a 100,000+ Mile Bike Ride*, Bruce Woods

1:00 p.m. Youth catechism – Rm 22

Monday, March 17

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

4:00 p.m. Visual Arts ad hoc group —Rm 14

7:00 p.m. Worship Commission—Rm 14

Tuesday, March 18—Women's Fellowship Circle Meetings

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

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

Circle 2—MCC Center, 121 E. 30th Ave., North Newton

Circle 5—Joyce Holck's, 249 Lake Vista Circle, Hesston

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

7:00 p.m. Circle 3—Carol Peters', 2917 Wildwood Way, North Newton

Circle 4—Cancelled

7:00 p.m. Facilities Committee—Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, March 19—No Cherub Choir, Junior Choir, Youth Bells,

Venture or Junior High Club this week due to Spring Break

8:00 a.m. Staff meeting – Rm 14

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

6:45 p.m. Concert by Bethel College Concert Choir—Sanctuary

7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir—Sanctuary

8:30 p.m. Chancel Bells—Rm B-7

Thursday, March 20

4:00 p.m. Visitation Team—Rm 14

7:00 p.m. Witness Commission – Rm 23; Finance Committee—Rm B-7
Deacons Commission—Rm 14

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Sunday, March 23—3rd Sunday in Lent

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

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

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

3:30 p.m. Worship at Kidron Bethel Village led by Heidi Regier Kreider

Income is off to a slow start for January and February while expenses are off to a fast start with two gas bills in February and replacement of kitchen water heaters. As a result expenses were \$17,980 more than income at the end of February. Your generous contributions are important to support the budget and ministry of BCMC. ~ *Richard Friesen, treasurer*

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

***SIGN UP** for volunteer opportunities for the sale at the table under the balcony. BCMC is requested to donate 45 pies and 50 dozen zwieback for the sale. Rhubarb pie is in demand as well as poppyseed roll, peppernuts and jelly. Many volunteers are needed to help serve vereniki as well as help with Plants & Things, Ten Thousand Villages, Quilter's Corner, and Quilt Auction, just to name a few.

***Quilters:** If you would like your quilt included in the Quilt Sale Booklet, deadline is tomorrow, March 17. Forms are available at the MCC Sale table under the balcony. Check out the quilt display TODAY!

***Run for Relief:** Deadline is March 28. Forms available at the MCC Sale table.

***Quilter's Corner & Cookbooks:** Boxes are located between the mailboxes for donated items.

***Penny Power:** Only 3 more Sundays left to give to Penny Power! Kids- keep filling those juice bottles with coins. Jars are in adult Sunday School rooms, in back of the sanctuary and in the Gathering Place. How much has been collected so far? Check out the lobby bulletin board!

***Craft items** will be on display April 6.

***Bohne Berrogi Bake Day** is March 29 at Moundridge High School. First shift "pinchers and fillers" start at 6:45 a.m. and second shift starts at 10:30 a.m. Fresh baked Bohne Berrogi will be sold by the dozen from 10 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. that day.

***MCC BUCKS:** Ten one-dollar gift certificate packets are available to purchase and will be very useful the day of the sale. Contact a committee member if interested.

***Contact** a committee member if you have an item for the silent auction or the general auction.

***Pick up** a copy of the 2014 Sale Bill located at the MCC Sale table.

The MKRS is less than a month away. Plan now to attend the sale April 11-12, and better yet, plan to help out a part of the day at one of the many work options. Questions? Contact committee reps Jim & Beaty Robb Dennis & Kathy Campbell, Ron & Carol Peters.

Vereniki has been a longstanding tradition with the Kansas Mennonite relief sale. This year, vereniki has been a challenge, but will be available at the Feeding the Multitude on Friday evening and Saturday lunch and in the Domestic Arts Building at the sale. The KMRS board and sale contact liaisons determined it was vital that vereniki be a part of the sale—raising annually around \$30,000 for MCC— and worked diligently to replace the Vereniki Making committee after all of the former committee members resigned. The board entered into a one year agreement with The Breadbasket, in Newton, to make the vereniki for the relief sale this year. The KMRS board would like to bring back the making of vereniki as a volunteer effort. With that in mind, we would like to ask each of you to consider how you might participate in this process next year. The vereniki making committee is 6-8 people and is responsible for coordinating the vereniki making day at the Marion County Fairgrounds in Hillsboro prior to the sale. It also includes reserving the building, purchasing supplies, passing out church contact sheets, readying the equipment to make vereniki, and oversight of the actual production. Your consideration regarding this volunteer opportunity is appreciated. Questions: contact your local church contact or info@kansas.mccsale.org.

The 8th annual Comforter Blitz, held in Yoder this past week, was a big success. In two days 168 comforters for MCC were completed. There were 297 volunteers from 57 different churches. A big thank you to the 13 women from BCMC who participated. ~ *Carol Peters, Chair*

Harvey County Homeless Shelter invites all volunteers to the annual Volunteer Celebration, Sat., Mar. 29, 6 p.m., Faith Mennonite Church, Newton. Come for an evening of encouragement, share in a meal and bring someone who may have an interest in volunteering at the shelter! No RSVP required! Any questions, please call 316-283-7711.



It's Supper Time! Wednesday night supper Mar. 19, 6 p.m. in Fellowship Hall, followed by activities for children, youth and adults. 6:45 pm program: Concert by Bethel College Concert Choir--Sanctuary. To make reservations

for supper, complete this form and place in offering, email office.bcmc@sbcglobal.net, or call church office at 283-3667 by 10 a.m. Mon., Mar. 17. Cost is by donation, with suggestion of \$4.50/person or \$12/family per meal. Please bring your own table service. **Mar. 19 menu:** Pulled pork sandwiches, pasta salad, cole slaw, applesauce, brownies. Child care provided 6:30-7:30 p.m. in Room B6 by reservation.

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Meal reservation(s) for March 19

Number of people attending meal _____ Name: _____

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