

Prayer Requests

Mennonite Church USA: Pray for opportunities for Mennonite Mission Network's Brian and Kelly McPhail to share Jesus' love with their students in China where they serve through Mennonite Partners in China.

Western District Conference: Pray that the WDC Basketball Tournament will be a time of fellowship and fun for those who participate this week.

This congregation: Pray for joy and energy for Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale representatives Jim & Beaty Robb, Dennis & Kathy Campbell, Ron & Carol Peters as they coordinate BCMC's participation in the upcoming sale.

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 23, 2014
Third 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 23, 2014

Worship 9:30 a.m.

THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

GATHERING AND CELEBRATION

Prelude *O Gott du frommer Gott* Bach
Sons of sorrow Wood
Wondrous Love Wood

Verlene Garber, organist

Introit *The old rugged cross* Dobrinski
Chancel Bells; Vada Snider, director

Greeting Weldon Martens

***Hymn** *All glory be to God on high* **HWB 122**
(Children come forward during hymn)

LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

Time with children Heidi Regier Kreider

Scripture and sung response

Kyrie eleison **HWB 144**

Matthew 26:47-56 / *Kyrie eleison*

Matthew 26:57-68 / *Kyrie eleison*

Matthew 26:69-75 / *Kyrie eleison*

Scripture response: For the Word of God in scripture, for the
Word of God revealed in Christ: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon *Friendship and failure* Heidi Regier Kreider

RESPONDING IN FAITH

***Hymn** *When we are tempted* **STS 81**

Reflections on the Lord's Prayer Weldon Martens

"Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven"

Prayer of God's people

Kingdom Report: Camp Mennoscah Jill Robb

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 *Abide, O dearest Jesus* Karg-Elert

***Dedication hymn** *Praise, I will praise you, Lord* **HWB 76**

***Dedication prayer**

SENDING

***Closing hymn** *God of grace and God of glory* **HWB 366**

***Benediction**

***Benediction response**

***Postlude**

*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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Today is the third 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.

Report from the Search Committee: After completing the Congregational Information Form, the committee met with Clarence Rempel, Conference Minister for the Western District Conference. He shared with us several potential candidate files of persons interested in this position of Associate Pastor for Faith Formation. We continue to invite your prayers in discerning primary candidates. ~ *John A. Esau, chair*

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. ~ *Library Committee*

The WDC Basketball Tournament will be March 25-29 at Bethel College. Schedule of games at: <http://mennowdc.org/wdc-basketball-tournament/>. BCMC plays Hoffnungsau, Mon, Mar. 24, 7:30 p.m. Thresher Gym
BCMC plays Journey-Mac Tues, Mar. 25, 6:30 p.m., Memorial Hall
BCMC plays Zion/Grace Hill Tues, Mar. 25, 8:30 p.m., Memorial Hall
BCMC plays Journey-S. Hutch, Thurs., Mar. 27, 6:30 p.m., Memorial Hall

This Wednesday we will 'Bowl For Kids' Sake' sponsored by Big Brothers Big Sisters of Harvey County. We do this to help change lives for the better. When 'Littles' are paired with a 'Big' they are less likely to use illegal drugs, skip school, or hit someone. Your sponsorship is welcomed! Pledge sheets are at the back of the sanctuary today. Thanks for your support! ~ *BCMC Youth and Sponsors*

Life Enrichment Wednesday, Mar. 26, at Krehbiel Auditorium:

9:30 a.m. *Perennials to the Rescue!* Tom Reid

10:35 a.m. *Sharing a Vision*, Dr. Deb Hamm

11:30 a.m. *Forensics Showcase*, Mallory Marsh

Bethel College forensics team members will preview their national tournament entries in two venues – in Life Enrichment as listed above and in convocation Mon., Mar. 31, 11 a.m. Both are open to the public.

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)

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 WDC by June 3 if you have interest in riding a chartered bus from Newton. After June 3, determination will be made if there is enough interest. Call 283-6300 or 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.

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.

Urgent need for pencils: The Mennonite Central Committee Material Resources Center in North Newton needs pencils for school kits. Based on feedback from recipients, MCC increased from 4 to 8 pencils in kits, but kits still arrive at the warehouse with less than 8. Contributions help MCC complete hundreds of kits to send to Jordan, Afghanistan, Kenya and other countries. Send pencils to MCC Central States, PO Box 235, N. Newton, KS 67117; send checks designated "Central States Kits" to MCC U.S., PO Box 500 Akron, PA 17501. Questions? Call 316-283-2720 or visit mcc.org/kits.

This Week at BCMC: March 23 – March 30, 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—*My Life's Intersections with Bethel College*, Doyle Preheim
- 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—*Growing Old at Home*, Jerry Pomeroy

1:00 p.m. Youth catechism – Rm 22

Monday, March 24

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

Tuesday, March 25

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

2:00 p.m. Pastoral search committee – Room 14

Wednesday, March 26—No Chancel or Youth Bell rehearsals this week

8:00 a.m. Staff meeting – Rm 14

6:00 p.m. Wednesday Night Supper—Fellowship Hall
Faith Formation Commission—Rm B-8

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

6:45 p.m. Adult program: *Perspectives on Aging: Managing Illness* with Fred Obold and Anne Neufeld Rupp—Fellowship Hall

7:00 p.m. Senior High youth—Playmor Lanes-Bowl for Kids' Sake

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

7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir—Sanctuary

Thursday, March 27

4:15 p.m. Administrative Team – Room 14

7:00 p.m. Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale meeting—Fellowship Hall

Sunday, March 30—4th Sunday in Lent

9:30 a.m. Worship led by Senior High youth group; Music by 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

The public is invited to a lecture and discussion with Dr. J. Denny Weaver on his latest book, *The Nonviolent God*, Thurs., Apr. 3, 7 p.m. at First Mennonite Church, Newton. Books are for sale at the AMBS-Great Plains office for \$20 (cash or check). Call 316-283-7098 for information.



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

***URGENT NEEDS: 27 more pies, 14 dozen more zwieback, 4 more loaves of bread.** Pick up pie tins and plastic bags when signing up. Rhubarb pie, poppyseed rolls, peppernuts and jelly are in demand.

***Volunteers** are needed to help with Plants & Things, Ten Thousand Villages, Quilt Auction, Feeding the Multitude and serving vereniki. There is a job just waiting for you! **Next Sunday is the final day to sign up!**

***Run for Relief: Deadline is Fri., Mar. 28.** Forms available at MCC Sale table.

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

***Penny Power:** Two more Sundays left to give to Penny Power! Last year BCMC collected \$678.98. Can we do more this year? Kids - keep filling up those juice bottles. Jars are in adult Sunday School rooms, in rear of sanctuary and Gathering Place. To see how much has been collected so far check out the lobby bulletin board.

***Craft items** will be on display Apr. 6. Bring to church on Sat., Apr. 5 at 10 a.m. for items to be displayed.

***Bohne Beroggi Bake Day** is this **Sat., Mar. 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 Beroggi will be sold by the dozen from 10 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. that day.

***MCC Bucks:** Last chance to purchase these ten one-dollar gift certificates before the sale. Contact a committee member **TODAY** if interested.

***Contact** a committee member if you have items for silent auction or general auction. ***2014 MKRS Sale Bill:** Pick up a copy at the MCC Sale table.

The MKRS is 3 weeks away. Plan to attend the sale and help out. Questions? Contact committee reps Jim & Beaty Robb, Dennis & Kathy Campbell, Ron & Carol Peters.



You are invited to share an Easter lily for the sanctuary on Easter Sunday, April 20. The Art and Decoration Committee will purchase the lilies from one source, and have them delivered to the church. To contribute, fill out the section below, attach payment of \$12.00 per lily, and return to offering plate or church office by April 6. Make checks out to BCMC, designated "Flower Fund." Contributors may pick up lilies to take home after the Easter worship service.

Donor: _____

In memory of: _____

Or In honor of: _____

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.

Register (online) for AMBS-Great Plains courses for summer session.

Biblical Spirituality will be taught by Jerry Truex; meets six sessions on Tuesday evenings beginning May 27-July 1. Two or three hours **credit** option and \$50 fee reduction if enrolled by Apr. 14. A special **audit** fee of only \$100 for this class is available. Call 283-7098 for forms and send check by Apr. 14 to AMBS-GP, Box 306, North Newton, KS 67117. A second summer class is *Conflict, Communication and Conciliation* taught at KIPCOR on June 10-13, 8:30-5 each day for two credit hours. No auditors but a "certificate" option is available. Call KIPCOR directly to register for this option at 284-5217.

Donna Ratzlaff Hetrick, Bethel College instructor of organ, will perform a concert on the historic Teschemacher-Deknatel-van der Smissen organ at Kauffman Museum, with guest organist, Bethel student Mika Patron, Sat., Apr. 5, 3:30 p.m. in the museum auditorium.

The second film in the KIPCOR spring film series is the 85-minute documentary *Climate Refugees*, about "the human face of climate change"; Sun., Apr. 6, 3 p.m., Krehbiel Auditorium, with talk-back session following.

Camp Mennoscah Announcements:

• **Men and Boys Retreat** is April 4-6. Come anytime over that time; meals will only be provided Saturday supper through Sunday lunch. Peter Goerzen will be speaker for the weekend. No pre-registration necessary. You may sleep in staff houses or cabins, or bring your own tent or RV. Church groups or individuals are needed to help with meal preparation.

• **Retirees' Relaxation Retreat** is April 21-23 on the theme of *Little Drops of Water, Little Grains of Sand*. Come spend a few days relaxing and learning. Information is in Camp Mennoscah catalog or call 620-297-3290.



It's Supper Time! Wednesday night supper Mar. 26, 6 p.m. in Fellowship Hall, followed by activities for children, youth and adults. 6:45 pm program: *Perspectives on Aging: Managing Illness*, Fred Obold and Anne Neufeld

Rupp-Fellowship Hall. 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. 24. Cost is by donation, with suggestion of \$4.50/person or \$12/family per meal. Please bring your own table service. Mar. 26 menu: Chicken Alfredo, pears, rice krispie bars. Child care provided 6:30-7:30 p.m. in Room B6 by reservation.



Meal reservation(s) for March 26

Number of people attending meal ____ Name: _____

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