

Prayer Requests

Mennonite Church USA: David Shenk, serving though Mennonite Mission Network, is representing Quito Mennonite Church's ministry among refugees at a forum that includes not-for-profit organizations and government officials who are working on a city ordinance about the social inclusion of migrant groups. Pray that David and his colleagues will be able to promote justice in Ecuador through this process.

Western District Conference: Pray for Willmar Harder, who will be installed today as pastor of Buhler Mennonite Church, Buhler.

This congregation: Pray for those who face hunger, and give thanks for participants and contributors in today's CROP Walk for hunger relief.
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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Cherub Choir director: Jill Siebert

Junior Choir director: Elizabeth Schrag

Bethel College Mennonite Church

2600 College Avenue, Box 364, North Newton, KS 67117

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Pastors: Heidi Regier Kreider, Susan Wheeler, John Tyson

September 28, 2014

9:30 a.m. Worship

TIME FOR WORSHIP

GATHERING

Prelude Karen Loucks, pianist

Introit *All things bright and beautiful* arr. Moklebust

Chancel Bells; Vada Snider, director

Florine Eitzen and Rebecca Schloneger, percussionists

Greeting Heidi Regier Kreider

Prayer: Selections from Psalm 25

To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.

O my God, in you I trust;

Make me to know your ways, O Lord;

teach me your paths.

Lead me in your truth, and teach me,

for you are the God of my salvation;

for you I wait all day long.

Be mindful of your mercy, O Lord, and of your steadfast love,
for they have been from of old.

**Do not remember the sins of my youth or my
transgressions; according to your steadfast love remember
me, for your goodness' sake, O Lord!**

You, O Lord, are good and upright;

you instruct sinners in the way.

You lead the humble in what is right, and teach the humble
your way.

**All your paths are steadfast love and faithfulness, for those
who keep your covenant and your decrees.**

***Hymn** *God of our strength* **HWB 36**

(Children come forward during hymn)

LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

Time with children: Blessing for CROP Walkers

Hymn *We will walk with God* (sing twice) **STJ 78**

Scripture Luke 10:25-28

Worship music *My Jesus, I love thee*

arr. Page

Chancel Bells

Sermon *Love that transforms*

Stanley Green

RESPONDING IN FAITH

***Hymn** *Renew your church* **HWB 363**
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

People with September birthdays are invited to come forward during the offertory to receive a blessing (bring hymnal).

***Dedication hymn** *Take my life* (vv. 1-2, 6) **HWB 389**

***Prayer of dedication**

SENDING

***Closing hymn** *You shall go out with joy* **HWB 427**
***Benediction**
***Benediction response**
***Postlude**

*All who are able are invited to stand

HWB = Hymnal: A Worship Book **STJ = Sing the Journey**

Welcome to guest preacher Stanley Green, executive director of Mennonite Mission Network. Stanley will speak at a Sunday school elective at 10:50 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall, for sermon feedback conversation, and updates on Mennonite Mission Network. All are welcome!

Welcome to guests visiting at Bethel College family weekend!

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.

Pray for those who received medical care this week: Vi Ediger, Kristin Kreider and Marvin Esau at Newton Medical Center; Tina Block Ediger moved to Schowalter Villa, room 702.

We offer sympathy to Roland Brown on the death of his daughter, Carol Fynan of Montgomery, AL, Sept. 20. The memorial service for Carol was Sept. 22 in Montgomery.

Life has its problems. Thank you church family for your encouragement, cards, and prayers during my recent surgery. ~ *Dan Baumgartner*

My sincere thanks for each expression of thanks and each gift received as I take a different journey in my life with the organ at BCMC. It has been a privilege and challenge to serve here where congregational singing and music are such a vital part of our worship life. May the organ continue to serve in this role as time goes on. ~ *Eleanor Kaufman*

In a recent newsletter Janet Stucky, Mennonite Mission Network partner in Benin, lists these prayer concerns: Funding for a nutrition fortification project, safety concerning the Ebola crises in West Africa, and patience and productivity in spite of intermittent electrical, internet and water service. To read the full newsletter (with photos), see the BCMC website (click on "Get Connected" and then on "Mission and Service") or the bulletin board in the hallway next to the church office.

Fall Wednesday night suppers at BCMC begin this week! Suppers run Oct. 1 – Nov. 19 at 6 p.m. in Fellowship Hall, made from scratch by cooks Ben Lichti, Marty Warkentine and Brenda Turner, and served by members of BCMC Sunday school classes. A program for adults will be at 6:45-7:15 p.m., with presentations on a variety of mission, service and creation care topics as well as some fellowship events. Brochures with more information are in church mailboxes today, and in the literature rack.



It's Supper Time! Wednesday night suppers begin Oct. 1, 6 p.m. in Fellowship Hall, followed by activities for children, youth and adults. Adult program: *Update on Colombia* with Jennifer Chappell-Deckert. 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., Sept. 29. Cost is by donation, with suggestion of \$4.50/person or \$12/family per meal. Please bring your own table service. Oct. 1 menu: Mexican Bar, fresh fruit, fried ice cream dessert. Child care provided 6:30-7:30 p.m. in Room B6 by reservation.



Meal reservation(s) for October 1

Number of people attending meal ____ Name: _____

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

Signup for all 8 meals – Circle Yes or No

Harvey County Homeless Shelter announcements:

- **HCHS seeks a full-time paid Volunteer Coordinator & Bookkeeper.** Duties include overseeing weekly volunteer schedule, communication with churches, financial records, and donor letters. Send resumes to james@hchs-ks.com or HCHS, 900 W. Broadway, Bldg 7, Newton, KS 67114.
- **Volunteer opportunities:** Cleaning, organizing donated items, repairs, and transporting items. Evening and overnight volunteers also needed. Contact Valetta Seymour if you are interested.

Everence announcement—For reservations to these events, contact darlene.buller@everence.com or (620) 327-4043 or (877) 467-7294:

- **Retiring soon? Make sense of your Medicare choices**—4 p.m. and 7 p.m. on Mondays Oct. 6, Nov. 3 and Dec. 8. at Everence Financial, 371 N. Old Highway 81, Hesston.

Camp Mennoscah announcements:

- **Fall Scrapbooking retreats** are Oct. 31-Nov. 1 and Nov. 14-15. Registration forms available at website below, or call for more information.
- **Camp Mennoscah** seeks an Office Assistant 30 hrs/week. Responsibilities include scheduling reservations, entering camp/retreat registrations, accounting tasks and assisting with custodial tasks and hosting groups. To apply send resume and cover letter by Sept. 30 to Olivia Bartel, Camp Director, PO Box 65, 9458 SE 40th St., Murdock, KS 67117, or campmno@mennowdc.org. For more information, call 620-297-3290
- **It's time to clean up the river at Camp Mennoscah.** We'll be taking out the dam on Oct. 5 at 2 p.m. to help clear out all that silt and mud that has built up behind the dam. Come help or enjoy watching!
- **Thank you to our Work & Play attendees!** Many tasks at Camp Mennoscah were completed, including making enough applesauce for nearly all of our summer youth camps, and great fun was had.
- **Camp Mennoscah is in need of good condition sofas,** loveseats, and comfy chairs or recliners, whatever color or design. Our Buffalo Room furniture is falling apart after any number of staff meetings and naps. Contact the camp and they will take your couch off your hands. Contact info: 620-297-3290 or campmno@mennowdc.org

Mennonite Women USA seeks fulltime Executive Director to direct the mission of empowering women within the Mennonite Church. This person will supervise dispersed staff, coordinate ministries, programs, publications and promotional material. See full description at mwusa.org. Send inquiries or resume to Kathy Bilderback at kabilderback@cableone.net by Sept. 30.

Today

- 10:30 a.m.** Fellowship time in the Gathering Place; coffee/water available.
- 10:50 a.m.** Christian Education – Visitors welcome!
 - 2-3 year olds through 4th grade—meet in Fellowship Hall for snack, then Room B-8 for singing before going to classrooms (2-3 year olds in B-6; Pre-K – 1st grade in B-4; 2nd-4th grade stay in B-8)
 - Grades 5-8 – Rm 26
 - Senior High Youth—Rm 22
 - Sunday school elective in Fellowship Hall, for sermon feedback conversation, and updates on Mennonite Mission Network with Stanley Green

Adult classes:

- Agape —KIPCOR, 2515 College Ave.
- Bible Study— Room 14 – Study on Philipians
- Catacombs—Rm B-5—*MC-USA: Can we hold it together?* Patty Shelly
- Fine Arts—Rm 24—“*From Paul to Constantine*” Bart Erdman d.v.d.s
- Issues & Christianity—Rm 23—*Understanding of the Old Testament*
- Mosaic—Rm 20
- Open Circle—Rm B-7—Sermon reflection and response
- Seekers—Rm 21
- Sojourners—Chapel—*Home is where our people are...even in Siberia.* Hugo and Mary Ann Boschmann

Monday, September 29

- 3:00 p.m.** BCMC worship DVD—Kidron Bethel Health Care
- 4:00 p.m.** Janet Stucky Mission Support Team—Rm 14
- 7:00 p.m.** Staff Congregation Relations Committee – Rm 14
- 7:30 p.m.** Newton Chorale rehearsal—Sanctuary

Tuesday, September 30

- 1:00 p.m.** BCMC worship DVD—Kidron Bethel Assisted Living
- 7:00 p.m.** Gifts Discernment Committee—Rm 14

Wednesday, October 1—Wednesday Night Suppers Begin

- 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)
Senior High youth—Rm 22
- 6:45 p.m.** Adult program—Fellowship Hall
- 7:30 p.m.** Chancel Choir—Sanctuary and Youth Bells—Rm B-7
- 8:30 p.m.** Chancel Bells—Rm B-7

Thursday, October 2

- 7:00 p.m.** Church Board—Rm 14
Creation Care Committee—Rm B-7

Friday, October 3

- 11:00 a.m.** Kenneth Deckert Memorial Service—Sanctuary

Sunday, October 5—World Communion Sunday

9:30 a.m. Worship: Sermon by Heidi Regier Kreider; music by Junior Choir; communion will be served

10:50 a.m. Christian Education

The annual Newton area CROP Walk for hunger relief is today, beginning at 2 p.m. at First Christian Church on the corner of 1st and Main Street, with registration at 1:15 pm. See Amy Tyson at the table in the rear of sanctuary if you are interested in walking, finding a walker to sponsor, or making a direct donation. You can also place a contribution to CROP in the church offering. To direct your CROP donation to Mennonite Central Committee, please make checks payable to MCC/CROP. Please prayerfully consider supporting the CROP Walk!

Care for BCMC facility: As we enjoy the cooler air of Fall, remember to close church windows if they have been opened. Also, please turn off lights when you are the last to leave a class-room, restroom or hallway on Sunday morning or other times. Thank you for helping to care for the church building, and to conserve energy and expense.

BCMC youth and mentors will meet Wed., Oct. 8 Mentors will meet at 5:30 p.m. for Safe Sanctuaries “best practices” conversation; then at 6 p.m. youth will join mentors to eat Wednesday night supper together at designated tables, before gathering for a meeting at 6:45 p.m. At 7:15 p.m., the group will head over to the Bethel College stadium to watch the men’s soccer game together. Contact John Tyson to RSVP and if you have questions!

Kansas Coalition against the Death Penalty will host a talk by death row exoneree Curtis McCarty on Sept. 30, 5:30-6:30 p.m. at St. Mary’s Orthodox Church, at 344 S. Martinson St., in Wichita. For more information, contact Valetta Seymour, BCMC Witness Commission.

Thank you to the 1,700 Western District Conference (WDC) members who completed the 20-question Discernment Task Force Survey. You also provided the Task Force with 500 pages of comments! The full report of the Survey will be released at WDC Reference Council meeting at Eden Mennonite Church on Sat., Nov. 15; 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Register at <http://mennowdc.org/wdc-reference-council/> so we can plan for food and so you can receive materials in advance.

Save the dates: a Ten Thousand Villages festival sale will take place in Newton in the mezzanine above Prairie Harvest in downtown Newton on Nov 20-22, Nov 28-29, and Dec. 4-7. Watch for more details!

Bethel College announcements:

- **Wed., Oct. 1**– Life Enrichment for adults age 60 and over:
9:30 a.m. – *The Second Amendment: the Rest of the Story*, Gary Flory
10:35 a.m. – *Cuba—Its Land and People: A 2014 Perspective*, Jim Goering
11:30 a.m. – *Art Education for the Developing Child*, Danika Bielek
- **Sun., Sept. 28** – *Bethel College Wind Ensemble Plays the Classics II* opens the concert season at Bethel, 3 p.m., Krehbiel Auditorium in the Fine Arts Center. Free with freewill offering taken to support music study and performance at Bethel.
- **Bethel College Fall Festival is coming soon!** Most events are **Sat., Oct. 18**, on campus, including a 2-mile fun run sponsored by the Bethel College Academy of Performing Arts (registration fee required); the biennial Schweitzer dialect program; and, in the Entertainment Tent, the Flannelbacks (Bethel student bluegrass band), the Newton Community Children’s Choir and Bethel and local high school jazz ensembles. See www.bethelks.edu/fallfest.
- **Start your day at Bethel College Fall Fest** on Sat., Oct. 18, with a hearty Country Breakfast at Kidron Bethel Village, 3001 Ivy Drive, North Newton. Pancakes, sausage, scrambled eggs, orange juice and coffee will be served from 7 to 9 a.m.

Wichita chapter of American Guild of Organists announces a Choral Evensong program Sun., Oct. 5, 5:30 p.m., at East Heights United Methodist Church, 4407 E Douglas Ave, Wichita, featuring the Trinity Choir from Grace and Holy Trinity Cathedral in Kansas City. Free.

MCC Central States asks for personal hygiene items for young girls (ages range from 10-17) at the Secure Unit at Youthville in Newton. Youthville is a nonprofit faith-based agency committed to developing innovative programs that inspire change in at-risk youth and families. Take items by Oct. 31 to the MCC Center in North Newton (121 E. 30th St. North Newton, KS 67117). Items needed: lotion, shampoo, conditioner, toothpaste, tampons, socks (crew or no-show), slippers, deodorant, hairspray, mousse, pony tail holders, combs and brushes. Join us as we answer the call to help! Questions? Call 283-2720.

Fall Mennonite Quilter’s Retreat is Oct. 30- Nov. 2 at Rocky Mountain Mennonite Camp. Bring your quilting projects, exchange stories and quilting tips, and enjoy the fellowship with other quilt enthusiasts. Come join the fun and get some projects done! Space is limited so register soon at www.rmmc.org or call camp to register (719) 687-9506.