

Prayer Requests

Mennonite Church USA: Pray for Mennonite Mission Network personnel in Paris, France, Janie and Neal Blough, Linda Oyer, and Brad and Brenna Steury Graber, as they help youth and adults in their congregations and communities make sense of the recent violence. May they help provide a Jesus-centered perspective to the outrage and anger.

Western District Conference: Praise God for Marlene Bogard's 25 years as Resource Librarian and Minister of Christian Formation with Western District Conference and for God's wisdom and strength as she begins her work as Executive Director of Mennonite Women USA.

This congregation: Pray for students, faculty, staff, and administrators involved in making the Newton school system a safe and engaging place to learn and grow.

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.

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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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Chancel Choir Director: William Eash

Cherub Choir director: Jill Siebert

Junior Choir director: Elizabeth Schrag

February 22 at BCMC: Attendance 236. General Fund \$2,846.55; Living Stones \$1,840; Inez Koehn Memorial \$25; Thelma Bartel Memorial \$410.

Sermons are posted on the church website. Visit

<http://bethelcollegemennonitechurch.org/media/> to listen to previous sermons.

Bethel College Mennonite Church

March 1, 2015 – 9:30 a.m. Worship

Upside Down & Inside Out: Second Sunday in Lent

GATHERING

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| Prelude | <i>Aria</i> | Peeters |
| | <i>Ah, Holy Jesus</i> | Peeters |
| | | Verlene Garber, organist |
| Greeting | | Dorothy Nickel Friesen |
| *Hymn | <i>Lord, whose love in humble service</i> | HWB 369 |
| | (Children come forward during hymn) | |
| Time with children | | John Tyson |

FIRST LOOK

Listening to scripture: Ecclesiastes 3:1-8 and Mark 12:13-17

Prayer of confession

Leader: Jesus, you do not regard people with partiality.

People: **How do we give to the emperor and to God? How do we know what belongs to the emperor and what belongs to God?**

Leader: Jesus, we need you to teach us the way of God in accordance with truth.

People: **As we ponder these complex questions in our community, help us to remember our call to serve our neighbors.**

UPSIDE DOWN AND INSIDE OUT

Words of assurance

Leader: There is a season for everything, and in every season the Lord is present.

People: **God is present in times of change.**

Anthem *Lamb of God* arr. Christiansen
Chancel Choir; William Eash, director

Sermon *Making time for what matters*
John Tyson and Jerrell Williams

SECOND LOOK

Listening again to scripture: Ecclesiastes 3:1-8 and Mark 12:13-17

Call to commitment

Leader: God turns things upside down and inside out by calling us to focus on serving people who are often rejected in our society.

People: **God, even when following your way is complex and challenging, we will continue to listen for your call.**

***Hymn** *When Jesus worked here on earth* **STS 38**

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 *Hail, thou once despised Jesus* Rohlig

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

***Dedication prayer**

SENDING

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

***Benediction**

***Benediction response** *Peace I leave with you* Clausen
Chancel Choir

***Postlude**

*All who are able are invited to stand

HWB = Hymnal: A Worship Book **STS = Sing the Story**

Today is the second Sunday in Lent, a season of spiritual renewal leading to Easter. Services during Lent draw on resources from Mennonite Church USA: *Upside Down & Inside Out*. God meets us where we are and loves us as we are – yet does not stop there, but instead turns our expectations and understanding “upside down and inside-out.” Each Sunday, we move beyond a “First Look” at scripture to consider a “Second Look.” The Time with Children each week explores different ways of praying, and suggestions are given to extend our encounter with scripture beyond Sunday worship. This week, listen to a story of someone who is encountering challenging circumstances in our society. In what ways is God calling you and the church community to respond?

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 in pew racks and place them in the offering plates for response by pastoral staff.

Are you curious about being a Senior High youth sponsor? The Faith Formation Commission is currently seeking persons interested in serving as Senior High youth sponsors beginning in September 2015. The Faith Formation Commission appoints Senior High youth sponsors for two-year terms. Please contact John Tyson for further conversation.

If you are a college student or young adult, a new class for you is launching today at 10:50 a.m. in Room 28. Please join us for coffee and conversation! The Faith Formation Commission is seeking persons interested in joining a creative team that will help to support the class in various ways. Please contact John Tyson for further conversation.

Venture Club is ready for some great Wednesday fun each week in March! This group is for 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade boys and girls from our church, and is open to their friends as well. Our theme is “Missions in our World”, and each week we have a guest share about their mission experiences locally or around the world. We meet 7:15-8:00 p.m. in Room B-8. Contact Alan Leopard with ideas or questions.

BCMC will host organist Shirley Sprunger King, Sun., Mar. 22 to play for the morning worship service, and at 4 p.m. to present *Looking Toward Easter*, a program of Lenten and Easter music. At the program a freewill offering will be received for BCMC's Living Stones Organ Fund, and a reception will follow. Members of the community are welcome!

The bi-annual Kidron Bethel/ Bethel College Mennonite Church coffee, for BCMC members living at Kidron Bethel Village, will be Fri., Mar. 6, 9:30 a.m. Join us in the Kidron Bethel Village community room for coffee cake and informal visiting. ~ *Pastor Susan Wheeler*

Artist Virgil Penner will speak to BCMC's Mennonite Men, regarding the benefits of artistic expression as a hobby, Sat., March 14. Breakfast is at Harvest Table at 8 a.m. (\$4.00) followed by the program in Menno Hall.

BCMC will hold an auction Saturday morning, June 27, sponsored jointly by the Facilities Committee and Art Committee to raise funds for the Visual Art Fund and Facilities Plant Fund. Donations wanted: Quality items such as antique furniture, tools and art. Whether cleaning or downsizing, consider what quality items you might want to donate. Questions? Contact Jerry Buller or Darlene Dick.



It's Supper Time! Wednesday night supper Mar. 4, with serving line open from 6:00 p.m.-6:15 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. Stay for table conversation and fellowship, followed by activities for children and youth, and choirs. 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., Mar. 2. Cost is by donation, with suggestion of \$4/person or \$12/family per meal. Please bring your own table service. Mar. 4 menu: Pork chops, au gratin potatoes, cornbread, peas, applesauce, lemon ice box dessert

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Meal reservation(s) for March 4

Number of people attending meal _____ Name: _____

Over 50 people have “liked” the BCMC Facebook page. Visit <https://www.facebook.com/bethelcmc> and “like” the page for congregational updates and information.

Everence Financial will present an informational seminar, *Retiring soon? Make sense of your Medicare and Social Security choices* at 4 and 7 p.m., March 9 and April 13 with Everence Financial Advisor Robert Wall at Everence Financial, 371 N. Old Highway 81, Hesston. Contact Darlene Buller at (877) 467-7294, or darlene.buller@everence.com to reserve a spot.

Everyone's invited to a farewell reception for Marlene Bogard today, Mar. 1, 3-5 p.m. at the WDC office, 2517 N. Main, North Newton.

The final film in KIPCOR's 2014-2015 film series, “Released” is a series of hopeful stories of four parolees who prove that the tide of recidivism can be reversed, Krehbiel Auditorium, 3 p.m., today, March 1. The Retired Deputy Warden of the Hutchinson Correctional Facility, Steve Dechant, will be facilitating a TalkBack session after the film.

Camp Mennoscah has two Scrapbooking Retreats on March 6-8 and 13-15. Contact: 620-297-3290 or find the registration form online at www.campmennoscah.org in Retreats.

“**Anabaptist Values in Politics**” is the topic of a presentation by Duane Goossen at 8 p.m. Fri., Mar. 6, at Hesston College’s Kropf Center, Room 150. Goossen is a senior fellow at the Kansas Center for Economic Growth and a member of Southern Hills Mennonite Church in Topeka. Goossen’s presentation is part of the annual corporation meeting of Mennonite World Review Inc. All are welcome to attend the business meeting at 7 p.m. or to come at 8 for Goossen’s presentation.

Ted & Co. will perform the play “Listening for Grace”, McPherson Church of the Brethren, 200 N Carrie, McPherson, Mar. 8, 2 p.m. This play by Ted Swartz is a funny, poignant performance which gives voice to our fears and hopes when a faith community engages in questions around same sex relationships.” See www.tedandcompany.com/shows/listening-grace/ for more information. A free-will offering will be received.

The annual Spring Supper, for women of all ages of Western District Conference and South Central Conference and their guests is Thurs., Mar. 26, Hesston Mennonite Church., with Carolene Jackson as speaker. Supper is 6 p.m. and is \$6/ person. The program will include music by the McKinney Sisters from Moundridge. An offering for Mennonite Women USA will be received. Reservations are required by March 16. See bulletin board for details or contact Amanda Rempel, secretary of WDWM, 316-284-0470 or carempel@sbcglobal.net.

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

Adult classes:

- Young Adult Group—Rm 28
- Agape—Fellowship Hall
- Bible Study—Room 14—*Lamentations*, Doug Miller
- Catacombs—Rm B-5—*Life story and Mennoscah update*, George Leary
- Fine Arts—Rm 24—Personal Encounters with Scripture
- Mosaic—Rm 22—Sermon reflection/response and other topics
- Issues & Christianity—Rm 23—*Understanding the New Testament*
- Open Circle—Rm B-7—Sermon reflection and response
- Seekers—Rm 21—Discussion of movie *Selma*
- Sojourners – Chapel—*Turkey and HIZMET*, Jim Juhnke, Miriam Nofsinger

Monday, March 2—Church office open 9 a.m.-noon; closed in afternoon

2:30 p.m. BCMC worship DVD—Kidron Bethel Health Care

Tuesday, March 3—Church office open 9 a.m.-noon; closed in afternoon

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

Wednesday, March 4

8:00 a.m. Staff meeting—Rm 14

6:00 p.m. Wednesday evening supper—Fellowship Hall

6:30 p.m. Cherub Choir (Rm 24), Junior Choir (Rm 28), Sr Hi Youth (Rm 22)

7:15 p.m. Junior High Club (Rm 26); Venture Club (Rm B-8)

7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir—(Sanctuary); Youth Bells—(Rm B-7)

8:30 p.m. Chancel Bells—(Rm B-7)

Thursday, March 5

6:30 p.m. Creation Care Committee—Rm B-7

7:00 p.m. Church Board—Rm 14

Sunday, March 8—Third Sunday in Lent

9:30 a.m. Worship with sermon by Heidi Regier Kreider; music by Junior Choir

10:30 a.m. Fellowship time in the Gathering Place; coffee/water available

10:50 a.m. Christian Education

The 2015 Western District Conference basketball tournament is scheduled for the evenings of March 16-17 and 19-21 at Bethel College. BCMC will once again participate in the tournament. Please contact John Tyson, john.bcmc@sbcglobal.net by March 4 to sign-up. There is a \$10 fee.

Staff: Administrative Assistant Monica Lichti will be on vacation Mar. 2 and 3. The church office will be open only 9 a.m. to noon on those days.

Thank you to all who came to the Wednesday Church Supper this week. We heard our Bethel College students with BCMC scholarships talk about the meaning of their college experience, and express how the scholarship helps demonstrate the support they feel from this church on their journey. Pam Thieszen, Vice President for Advancement, enjoyed the fellowship, the program and demonstrated "Bethel College present with us". Thanks to people's generosity, the sloppy joe meal brought in \$3,471. For those not able to be present Wednesday evening and who wish to add their support, contributions are welcome at any time, made out to BCMC and designated "Bethel College Scholarship Fund" ~ *Education and Scholarship Committee*

Bethel College announcements:

- **Today, Mar. 1, 3 p.m.** – Nova Deco concert (Nancy Johnson and Dominique Corbeil, violins), Ad Building chapel, benefit for the Rupert Hohmann String Scholarship at Bethel.
- **Tues., March 3, 7:30 p.m.**–Pete Zimmer Trio, Krehbiel Auditorium.
- **Wed., Mar. 4 - Life Enrichment** (for community members age 60 and over), Bethel College, Luyken Fine Arts Center, Krehbiel Auditorium
9:30 a.m. *Building relationships for a better community*, Jennifer Rose
10:35 a.m. *Living out the peace of God: Paul and Jesus*, Ray Reimer
11:30 a.m. *Swinging: Golf impacts local, national, international*, Chris Tuohey
- **Thurs., March 5, 7 p.m.** – Friends of the MLA program, Bethel College Ad Building chapel. Speakers: James Juhnke, book project on Kansas Mennonites and politics since WW2, and Robin Ottoson, dissertation research on Hillsboro Mennonites during the Vietnam era.
- **Sat., March 7, 7:45 a.m.** – Kauffman Museum First-Saturday Bird Walk; meet at the museum parking lot, for a 1 to 1 ½ hour walk on Sand Creek Trail with birder Gregg Friesen; binoculars helpful; not required.
- **Sun., March 8, 3 p.m.** – Bethel College Wind Ensemble, *William Byrd Suite* and *Kleine Dreigroschenmusik*, Krehbiel Auditorium.
- **Fri.-Sat., March 13-14, 7 p.m.** – Bethel College Philharmonia Orchestra with vocalists, "Scenes from the Mozart Operas," Krehbiel Auditorium.

Freezing temperatures and snow are adding another layer of deprivation to Syrians and Iraqis who have been forced from their homes to escape violence from the Islamic State group and battling armies in Syria. Mennonite Central Committee is calling for financial donations as it provides heating fuel and blankets this winter and continues to address basic needs of food, shelter and education throughout the year. In addition, MCC welcomes contributions of blankets and comforters to replenish the more than 18,500 that were sent to Iraq, Lebanon, Jordan and Syria for the winter months. You can donate to the Syria and Iraq crisis response and learn how to contribute blankets at mcc.org.



Kansas MCC Relief Sale is April 17-18 at Hutchinson Fairgrounds!

www.kansas.mccsale.org

***Sign-up opportunities** are now available at the MCC table located at the back of the sanctuary.

***Curious about how your coins have been adding up?** Check out the front bulletin board!

***Run for Relief** entry forms are available at the MCC table or can be found online at the KMRS website.

***Quilters!** Quilts and quilt related items need to be received by March 16 to be included in the quilt sale booklet. The BCMC quilt display is March 15. Forms can be found on the website or contact a committee member.

***Cookbooks and Quilters Corner Items** can be left for donation by church mailboxes.

Questions? BCMC Relief Sale reps are Dennis & Kathy Campbell, Ron & Carol Peters, and Tom & Gayle Jackson.

2015 Mennonite Central Committee Comforter Blitz is Mar. 9, 12 noon to 9 p.m. and Mar. 10, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Journey Mennonite Church at Yoder Campus, 3605 E. Longview Rd., Haven (1 mile north of Yoder) See bulletin board for details. Contact Carol Peters with questions.

2015 MENNONITE RELIEF SALE

KANSAS CRAFTS

- If you have a suggested selling price for your item, please attach it to the item. If you would care to share your name and church, please attach it. Shoppers really enjoy having that history with their purchase.

SUGGESTED ITEMS:

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| Embroidered Tea Towels | Embroidered Pillowcases |
| ANYTHING made from old quilts | ANYTHING made from denim |
| Quiet Books | Decorative Pillows |
| Antique-Victorian style crafts | Baskets |
| Wood Crafts | Wooden Toys |
| Wooden Puzzles | Cross Stitch |
| Crocheted Doilies | Quilted Wall Hangings |
| Baby Items | Blankets |
| Handmade jewelry | Children's Aprons w/pockets |
| Doll clothes and blankets | Teddy Bears |
| John Deere Items | RUGS! |
| Holiday Items | Nylon Pot Scrubbers |

Vintage Jewelry

KIDDIE CORNER

CHILDREN CLAMBER TO THE CORNER, WHERE ITEMS ARE PRICED AT \$3.00 OR LESS!

Homemade play dough, slime, wooden toys, bug cages, bird houses, beaded jewelry, hair bows and scrunchies for the girls, candy items, Beanie Babies---all are favorites for the Corner! Often made by children's' Sunday school classes, these items bring smiles to the children who bring their parents or grandparents to the Corner.

COOKBOOK NOOK

Old, new, tattered, well used, barely used, this area is increasingly popular with repeat customers guaranteed each sale. If you have cookbooks you aren't using, let them be used for MCC!

Questions???

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