

Prayer Requests

Mennonite Church USA: Praise God for a wonderful year of learning and growing for Mission Network Service Adventure units. Pray for smooth transitions as participants return to home communities and to summer jobs, and, then, as they discern the next step of their journeys.

Western District Conference: Thank God for the inspiration, encouragement, and insight received during the Anabaptist Faith Formation launch this past weekend. Pray for participants as they bring back new possibilities to their congregations for strengthening our "making disciples" ministries.

This congregation: Pray for BCMC staff as they meet for a planning retreat this Tuesday.

To request prayer or a visit, or if a family member is hospitalized, please contact the church office or a pastor so that visits and prayer support can be offered. Names of people receiving medical care are printed in the BCMC bulletin only by permission of the patient or a guardian/family-member. This is part of the caring network at BCMC, which includes support among members of Sunday school classes and small groups, as well as the Prayer Network, Visitation Team, and Caring Fund sponsored by 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 – Thur

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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June 7 at BCMC: Attendance 186. General Fund \$9,209.58; Living Stones \$440; Columbarium Fund \$500; Caring Fund \$50; Evelyn Lohrentz Memorial \$235; Loaves & Fishes Fund \$500.



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June 14, 2015

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TIME FOR WORSHIP

GATHERING

Prelude Children of BCMC
Brethren, we have met to worship arr. Parks
Verlene Garber, organist

Greeting John Tyson

***Hymn** *What is this place* **HWB 1**
(Children come forward during hymn)

LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

Time with children John Tyson

Scripture reading John 1:1-18 and Galatians 5:16-26

Sermon *Two-Eyed Prophets of Technology*
Andy Brubacher Kaethler

RESPONDING IN FAITH

***Hymn** *Christ, from whom all blessings* **HWB 365**

Prayer of God's people

Offering

Offertory *Récit de cromorne en taille* Calvière

***Dedication hymn** *God, who stretched* (vv. 1, 3) **HWB 414**

***Dedication prayer**

SENDING

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

***Benediction**

***Benediction response**

***Postlude** *All glory be to God on high* Zachau
*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).

Welcome to guest preacher Andy Brubacher Kaethler, Assistant Professor of Christian Formation and Culture at Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary in Elkhart, IN. He spoke at the Faith Formation Launch event sponsored by Western District Conference this past weekend.

Check out the new look in the BCMC library children's section! Ministry Inquiry Program intern Allie Shoup, Sarah Turner from the Library Committee, and Maggie Dungan spruced it up in preparation for a summer children's story hour to take place on **Tuesdays at 1 p.m. for children ages 3-8**. All children and their families are invited to check out books from the BCMC library for summer reading!

BCMC delegates to Mennonite Church USA assembly invite interested members of BCMC to join them on **Wed., June 17, 7:30-8:30 p.m. in the BCMC Chapel**, to offer your perspectives about the five resolutions which will be considered by delegates at Mennonite Church USA convention June 30-July 5 in Kansas City. See <http://mennoniteusa.org/resource/delegate-resources/> to read resolutions, or pick up a packet in the literature rack in the main foyer at BCMC. (Prior to the open meeting on June 17, just the delegates will meet for their own business at 7:00-7:30 p.m.) Delegates are Lois Preheim, chair; Dianne Epp, Benjamin Kreider, Lou Gomez, Vern Preheim, Jon Zerger, and Heidi Regier Kreider.

Africa Inter-Mennonite Mission invites everyone to a gathering on **Sun., June 28, 6:30 p.m. in the BCMC Fellowship Hall**. Pastor Adolphe Komuesa, president of Mennonite Church of Congo, will tell about his church community and country, and BCMC member Janet Stucky will also speak about her work through Mennonite Mission Network in Benin, West Africa. Dessert and coffee will be served. If you plan to attend, please RSVP by calling 574-535-0077.

Staff: Susan Wheeler will be out of town June 18-21. Heidi Regier Kreider will be out of the office June 18-19, but will be on-call for pastoral care concerns. John Tyson will be out of the office June 19.

This Week at BCMC: June 14 – June 21, 2015

Camp Mennoscah announcements (For info call 620-297-3290 or olivia.bartel@campmennoscah.org)

- Camp Mennoscah has room for more campers. Summer theme is *Power Up*, looking at the example of Jesus to learn how to live in the Spirit. Register online at www.campmennoscah.org. Scholarship funds available. Contact camp for the scholarship request form.
- Family Camp is July 25-26—Alan Stucky and Katie Best, leaders
- Camp needs kitchen helpers for the weeks of June 7-13, June 21-27, and July 26-31. Head cook needed for the week of July 5-9.
- Volunteers needed to complete bathhouses. Work involves insulation, painting, setting privacy partitions, helping the electrician. Could use 5 to 8 people at a time. To volunteer contact Jim Yoder at jdyoder@cox.net or 283- 2854 or Ken Janzen at 283- 6855 or kjjanzen@earthlink.net.

Mennonite Central Committee Song on the Lawn, an outdoor music festival and meal benefit-event for MCC will be June 14, 5-8 p.m. at WillowSpring Downs, 1582 Falcon, rural Hillsboro. Bring table service, lawn chairs, blankets. Directions from Goessel: 3 miles north on K-15, 4 miles east on 150th and ¾ mile north on Falcon. Do not follow GPS directions! In case of rain, event will be held at Goessel Elementary School. Call 316-283-2720 or 620-386-0709 with questions.

Everence Financial will present a seminar, *Retiring soon? Make sense of your Medicare and Social Security choices*, with explanation on how to enroll and options if you continue to work, at 4 p.m. and 7 p.m., July 13 and Aug. 10, at Everence Financial, 371 N. Old Highway 81, Hesston. For reservations contact Darlene Buller darlene.buller@everence.com or (877) 467-7294, (620) 327-4043.

Bethel College announcements:

- **Centering Prayer** meets every Monday at 12:00-1 p.m. at Agape Center in Richert House, Bethel College. All are welcome. For information, contact Nathan Koontz, 2nathankoontz@gmail.com, or Melanie Zuercher, mzuercher@bethelks.edu.
- **The 2015 issue of *Mennonite Life*** is online, with articles on Vincent Harding, John Howard Yoder and other topics, reviews of Mennonite-related books, and a call for papers for the 2017 conference *Crossing the Line: Women of Anabaptist Traditions Encounter Borders and Boundaries*. See ml.bethelks.edu for more information

Swiss Mennonite Cultural and Historical Association will have a Local Sites Tour Sat., Aug. 29 in Marion, Harvey and McPherson counties. Cost of \$50 includes lunch, refreshments and transportation. To reserve bus seat call LaVern Stucky at 620-983-2348 or email lavern@powwwer.net.

Today—June 14

10:30 a.m. Ice water is available in the Gathering Place

10:50 a.m. Christian Education – Visitors welcome!

- 2-3 year olds through 8th grade—meet in Fellowship Hall for snack, then Room B-8 for activities
- Senior High Youth—Rm 22
- Adult Sunday school elective: Q & A with Andy Brubacher Kaethler

Adult classes:

- Agape—Fellowship Hall
- Bible Study class will not meet during summer
- Catacombs—Rm B-5— *Development: A chapter of my life at Bethel College*, Fred Goering
- Fine Arts—Rm 24
- 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—Will attend the elective
- Sojourners – Chapel

3:00 p.m. Memorial Service for Vera Prouty—Sanctuary

Monday, June 15

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

7:00 p.m. Worship Commission—Rm 14

Tuesday, June 16

8:30 a.m.—1 p.m. Staff Planning Meeting—KIPCOR, 2515 College Ave., NN

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

6:00 p.m. Faith Formation Commission—Rm B-8

7:00 p.m. Facilities Committee—Rm 14

Wednesday, June 17

7:00 p.m. —BCMC Delegates to Mennonite Church USA Assembly—Rm 14

7:30 p.m.—8:30 p.m. Members of BCMC join BCMC Delegates—Chapel

Thursday, June 18

7:00 p.m. Deacon Commission—Rm 14

Sunday, June 21—Father's Day

9:30 a.m. Worship with sermon by John Tyson

10:50 a.m. Christian Education

All are invited to summer Faith Forums at BCMC during Sunday school at 10:50-11:45 a.m. (in sanctuary unless otherwise indicated).

July 5: Fellowship & faspa, games and light snacks – Fellowship Hall

July 12: Report from BCMC delegates to Mennonite Church USA Assembly

July 19: Report from Megan Leary on her Mennonite Voluntary Service experience

July 26, August 2 and 9: Series on faith and technology

The BCMC office will be closed in the morning on Tuesday, June 16, for a staff planning retreat.

We offer sympathy to the family of Frank R. Keller who died May 31, 2015 in Souderton, PA. Frank and Lorraine (Holly) were former members of BCMC. The service was June 2 in Souderton.

We offer sympathy to Margaret and John Hiebert and Elvera Voth and families on the death of Margaret's mother and Elvera's sister, Irma Koehn, June 7 at Bethesda Home, Goessel. The memorial service was June 11 at Tabor Mennonite Church, rural Newton.

We offer sympathy to Hank, Elaine and Austin Prouty, Cindy Ratts, William and Mary Prouty and families on the death of their mother, Vera Prouty, June 9 at Schowalter Villa, Hesston. The memorial service will be today, June 14, 3 p.m. at BCMC.

Pastoral transition update:

On July 26 at noon, all are invited to a congregational potluck meal and farewell for pastor Heidi Regier Kreider. The worship service that morning will also include a ritual of release, prior to the conclusion of her pastoral work at BCMC at the end of July.

The Church Board has appointed a joint committee of the Staff Congregation Relations Committee and Church Board (Lois Brubacher, chair; Annette Lamp, Loretta Baumgartner, Dale Schrag and Sandy Zerger) to bring to the Church Board a recommendation for an interim supply pastor to begin in early August or as soon as possible after that. The Church Board is also preparing to form a Search Committee for a Settled Pastor.

Janet Stucky, Mennonite Mission Network partner serving in Benin, will be at BCMC on June 28, as part of a short visit to the U.S. for Janet to represent Mennonite Mission Network at Mennonite Church USA convention. On June 28, Janet will participate in the Time with Children and a Kingdom Report, and greet people during fellowship time hosted by her Ministry Support Team with refreshments in the Gathering Place.

The BCMC Prayer Network is a ministry sponsored by the Deacon Commission, with prayer requests distributed by pastors to members of the prayer network through e-mail, at the request and permission of the persons involved. Participants make a one-year commitment to this prayer ministry. **If you would like to participate** in the prayer network for the coming year (June 2015 - July 2016), please contact the church office.

All are invited to a come and go farewell for retiring Conference Minister Clarence Rempel on Sun., June 28, from 2:30-5 p.m. at the Western District Conference office, 2517 N. Main, North Newton.

BCMC will hold an auction Sat. morning, June 27, at 9:04 a.m. sponsored by Facilities Committee and Art Committee to raise funds for the Visual Art Fund and Facilities Plant Fund. **Donations wanted:** Quality items like antique furniture, tools and art. Contact Jerry Buller, 283-6157 or Darlene Dick, 283-7416. **Food items are also needed for a Bake Sale Table!** The Mosaic Sunday School class is coordinating a food sales table to supplement the general auction. They will sell individual pieces along with coffee and tea, as well as whole pies, bags of zwieback, loaves of bread, etc. Garden produce, jam, salsa, etc. are welcome. Deliver items to church kitchen Fri., June 26 or by 8 a.m. Sat., June 27. See flier in your church mailbox for more information.

On June 21, during the Sunday school hour, guest storyteller and playwright, Laurel Dee Gugler will offer her one-person play *The Lopsided Crane* in Fellowship Hall. Gugler's play depicts the struggle of a young girl who is forced to examine her beliefs about war and conscientious objection. All are invited to attend, especially children ages 9+. Children under age 9 will meet in the newly-decorated children's library during the Sunday school hour.

Kidron Bethel Village announcements:

Kidron Bethel Village requests baked good donations for the 4th of July Extravaganza Cake Walk & Bake Sale. The sales for these events go towards the Healthcare Benevolent Fund supporting residents' care. To donate a cake or a baked item contact Michelle Rider at 620-327-3497 or micheller@bluestemks.org

Your are invited to celebrate July 4 at the Fireworks Extravaganza 7:30 p.m. Sat., July 4, Kidron Bethel Village, 3001 Ivy Drive. The fireworks show begins at 9 p.m. Hotdogs, beverages and snacks will be available. The evening includes kids' games, a cake walk, bake sale and ice cream sundae sales. Bring your lawn chairs. Flashlights are recommended for navigating to and from parking areas. Information: 316-836-4863.

The BCMC Senior High youth group will take a total of 12 students and 5 sponsors to the Mennonite Church USA convention in Kansas City. Following the Sunday school hour on **June 21 at noon**, students, parents, and sponsors are encouraged to visit the youth room for a conversation about convention plans.

Story time at the WDC Resource Library begins next Wednesday. Dates and times: Wednesdays, June 17-June 24 and July 8-July 29 –at 9:30 a.m. It's fun, it's free! Enroll children ages 3-8 for story time now! Call/email: 316-283-6300, crlib@mennowdc.org.