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BCMC JUNE 7TH, 2015

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**Bethel College Mennonite Church
June 7, 2015 – 9:30 a.m.**

GATHERING

Prelude	<i>Meditation</i>	Guilmant
	<i>Carillon</i>	Thiman
		Nancy Hilty, organist
Greeting and opening prayer		Darlene Dick
*Hymn	<i>Holy Spirit, come with power</i>	HWB 26

LISTENING FOR GOD’S WORD

Time with children	Allie Shoup and Sarah Turner	
Scripture reading	1 Corinthians 12:12-31	
Worship music	Sarah Turner, clarinet; Donna Woolery, piano	
Sermon	<i>One body, many members</i>	Heidi Regier Kreider

RESPONDING IN FAITH

Commissioning of church leaders for 2015-2016		
*Prayer		HWB 726
*Hymn	<i>Help us to help each other</i>	HWB 362
Prayer of God’s people		
Offering		
Offertory	<i>Brother James’ Air</i>	arr. Ellsasser
	People with May birthdays are invited to come forward during the offertory to receive a blessing (bring hymnals)	
*Dedication hymn	<i>Take my life</i>	HWB 389
*Dedication prayer		

SENDING

*Hymn	<i>God of grace and God of glory</i>	HWB 366
*Benediction		
*Benediction response		
*Postlude		

*All who are able are invited to stand

HWB = Hymnal: A Worship Book	STS = Sing the Story
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 Building is locked daily at 5 p.m. unless evening activities are scheduled.

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.

A new program year at BCMC begins now! Commissioning for church officers, Board, commissions and committees takes place in worship today. Thank you to all who serve BCMC in these roles! May God bless and strengthen you for your work in the coming year.

The roses this morning are for Grayson Mallet-Prevost Murphy V born to Kate Brubacher and Grayson Murphy, May 12 in New York and Tucker Harold Brubacher born May 29 to Jacob and Marie Brubacher in Boston. Congratulations to grandparents Wade and Joan Brubacher!

The family of Evelyn Lohrentz thanks everyone for your prayers, words of encouragement and expressions of sympathy during the time of her passing. ~ *Howard Lohrentz and family*

We offer sympathy to the family of Esther Bohn Groves who died June 3 at Kidron Bethel Village. Esther’s memorial service will be Mon., June 29 at 11 a.m. Esther’s husband, Carlyle Groves was the brother of Lois Goertzen.

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 this week, in preparation for a summer children’s story hour to take place on Tuesdays at 1 p.m. for children ages 3-8, beginning June 9. All children and their families are invited to check out books from the BCMC library for summer reading!

The family of David Habegger invites the BCMC community to celebrate his 90th birthday on June 14, by sending greetings to 176 Marshall Blvd., Elkhart, IN 46516. ~ *Rachel Pannabecker, David’s daughter*

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.

May 31 at BCMC: Attendance 256. General Fund \$7,635.66; Living Stones \$610; Sr Hi Youth \$2,135; Columbarium Fund \$1,000; Caring Fund \$25; Transfer-Funeral \$928.30; VBS Fund \$309.00

This Week at BCMC: June 7 – June 14, 2015

Everence Financial will present an informational seminar, *Retiring soon? Make sense of your Medicare and Social Security choices*, on Medicare and Social Security, with instructions on how to enroll, explaining options if you continue to work; at 4 p.m. and 7 p.m., June 8, July 13 and Aug. 10, at Everence Financial, 371 N. Old Highway 81, Hesston. To reserve a spot, contact Darlene Buller darlene.buller@everence.com or (877) 467-7294, (620) 327-4043.

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 are available. Contact the 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.

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

Bethel College announcements:

• **Centering Prayer** meets every Monday from noon-1 p.m. in 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 a variety of other topics, as well as reviews of 12 Mennonite-authored and/or Mennonite-related books (fiction, nonfiction and memoir) and a call for papers for the 2017 conference “Crossing the Line: Women of Anabaptist Traditions Encounter Borders and Boundaries.” Go to ml.bethelks.edu.

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.

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

Today—June 7

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 classes:

- Membership orientation class—Room 14
- Agape—Fellowship Hall
- Bible Study class will not meet during summer
- Catacombs—Rm B-5—*Mennonite Media and Church Issues*, Paul Schrag
- 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—Discussion of favorite inspirational quotations
- Sojourners – Chapel

Monday, June 8

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

Tuesday, June 9

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

7:00 p.m. Library Committee—Rm 14
Finance Committee—Rm B-7

Wednesday, June 10

9:30 a.m. Women’s Fellowship Circle Program chairs meet in the home of Marlene Faul, 3000 Wildwood Way, North Newton

Friday, June 12

10:00 a.m. Coffee for BCMC members at Schowalter Villa – SWV Main Street area

2:00 p.m.—7:00 p.m. Anabaptist Faith Formation Launch at Bethel College

5:30 p.m. Faith Formation Launch Supper in Fellowship Hall

Saturday, June 13

8:00 a.m.—11:00 a.m. Anabaptist Faith Formation Launch at Bethel College

5:00 p.m. Wedding in the BCMC Sanctuary followed by a reception in Fellowship Hall

Sunday, June 14

9:30 a.m. Worship with sermon by Andy Brubacher Kaethler

10:50 a.m. Christian Education; adult elective with Andy Brubacher Kaethler

BCMC will hold an auction Sat. morning, June 27, 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.

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

June 14: Presentation by Andy Brubacher Kaethler, Assistant Professor of

Christian Formation and Culture at Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary

July 5: Fellowship & fropa, 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

Pastoral transition update: The Church Board has appointed a joint committee of the Staff Congregation Relations Committee and Church Board to work with Western District Conference Minister Clarence Rempel in the selection of an Interim Supply Pastor for BCMC. Serving on this committee are Lois Brubacher (chair), Annette Lamp, Loretta Baumgartner, Dale Schrag and Sandy Zerger. The goal is to have the interim pastor begin in early August. This Committee will bring a recommendation to Church Board who will make the final decision concerning the interim pastor. The Church Board is also preparing to form a Search Committee for a Settled Pastor. May your prayers be with the leadership of the Congregation as we begin this process. ~ *Jim Robb, Moderator*

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.

BCMC Mennonite Men invite you to a 56 minute CD of Ted Risingsun's story at the Harvest Table, 8:30 a.m., Sat., June 13. (Breakfast is at 8 a.m.) Ted Risingsun from the Cheyenne Community, Busby, MT attended Freeman Jr. College. After enlistment in the U.S. Military in Jan. 1951, he was on the front lines in Korea as a platoon sergeant. Years later he told about his experiences to young men from the Northern District at a "Boot Camp for Peace" held at Swan Lake, S.D. It was a moment of truth about the reality of war. (Mennonite Men will not be meeting during July and August).

Volunteers are needed to drive the Kidron Bethel Village mini-bus on Sundays to transport residents to and from Bethel College, Faith, First and Shalom Mennonite churches. Must have or obtain a CDL drivers license, have a physical examination every two years, and submit to random drug and alcohol testing. Please, please consider helping in this vital ministry of your church. Contact Marvin Dirks, 620-837-4413.

Community Playschool, Inc. has recently completed another fun filled preschool year! Thirty six children of the Newton community have participated in the program this year at a minimal cost to their families, thanks to five area churches and United Way. We again want to thank Bethel College Mennonite Church for being one of those supporting churches contributing significantly to our program financially and in kind through the use of the building. We also want to acknowledge the service of Ted Mueller as BCMC's representative on our board, Lela Schmidt, Kris Kreider, Bonnie Krehbiel, Jeanette Stucky, Ruth Obold and Stahl Claassen for teaching, Annette Lamp and Mildred Voran for serving as substitute teachers, Monica Lichti for all the office related support she gives, and Mike Crawford for cleaning those extra messes that we make! Two women's circles also spent an hour each (approximately 20 total work-hours!) preparing materials for our curriculum. We are also grateful to Marlene Faul for preparing the paperwork requesting a donation from the Everence Sharing fund which is a matching grant program. We solicit your prayers and continued support as we look to begin our 50th year in the Fall. Please watch your church newsletter in the coming months for stories related to the history of Community Playschool as we commemorate this significant milestone!

Prayer Requests

Mennonite Church USA: Rescue Network Nepal, a Mission Network partner, trains people in remote areas of the country to give emergency aid. Pray for director Jaya Thapa and these first responders as they deal with the overwhelming needs in the aftermath of last month's earthquakes.

Western District Conference: Pray for presenters, Andy Brubacher Kaethler and Rachel Miller Jacobs and 12 others, and for the participants of the Anabaptist Faith Formation launch meeting June 12-13 on the Bethel College campus. Pray that this will strengthen the church's calling to equip the saints for the work of ministry.

This congregation: Pray for moderator Jim Robb and other church officers, Board members, and those who serve on commissions and committees of BCMC, as they begin the new program year now in June.

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.