

Prayer Requests

Mennonite Mission Network: Mennonite Mission Network and Central Plains Mennonite Conference recently sent Delicia Bravo and Peter Wigginton and their daughter, Aliyah, to Ecuador. Pray for them as they move into the role of coordinating relationships with Ecuadorian Mennonite churches and international partners.

Western District Conference: Pray for Heidi Regier Kreider who begins this week as the Conference Minister for WDC. May God bless her ministry!

This congregation: Pray for the Pastor Search Committee as they begin their work in discerning our congregation's call for a new lead pastor.

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.

Pastor: Dorothy Nickel Friesen, dorothy.bcmc@gmail.com

Home phone 281-9364, office hours Monday-Friday 9:00 a.m. to noon

Associate Pastor for Pastoral Care: Susan Wheeler susanmwheeler@gmail.com

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Associate Pastor for Faith Formation: John Tyson, john.bcmc@sbcglobal.net

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Administrative Assistant: Monica Lichti, office.bcmc@sbcglobal.net

Custodian: Michael Crawford, 316-727-9840

Music Coordinator: Rebecca Schloneger, 316-772-6084

August 9 at BCMC: Attendance 223. General Fund \$5,271; Living Stones \$105; Media Supplies \$10; Columbarium Fund \$2,000; Service Scholarship \$230; Board Contingency \$130.



Bethel College Mennonite Church
August 16, 2015

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TIME FOR WORSHIP

GATHERING

Prelude *Suite Gothique [Choral • Allegro]* Boellmann
Trumpet tune Martin
Jubilee! Martin

Nancy Hilty, organist

Introit *All day, all night/ Swing low sweet chariot* Downey
Bell ensemble

Greeting and Opening prayer Susan Wheeler

***Hymn** *O little children, gather* **HWB 489**
(children come forward during hymn)

LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

Children's conversation Doug Siemens
Backpack blessings

Hymn *This is a story full of love* **HWB 315**

Scripture reading Psalm 111

Praise the Lord! I thank the Lord with all my heart in the company of those who do right, in the congregation.

The works of the Lord are magnificent; they are treasured by all who desire them.

God's deeds are majestic and glorious. God's righteousness stands forever.

God is famous for his wondrous works. The Lord is full of mercy and compassion.

God gives food to those who honor him. God remembers his covenant forever.

God proclaimed his powerful deeds to his people and gave them what had belonged to other nations.

God's handiwork is honesty and justice; all God's rules are trustworthy—they are established always and forever; they are fulfilled with truth and right doing.

God sent redemption for his people; God commanded that his covenant last forever. Holy and awesome is God's name!

Fear of the Lord is where wisdom begins;

All: Sure knowledge is for all who keep God's laws. God's praise lasts forever!

Worship music *Oceans (Where feet may fail)* [text is in insert]

Crocker, Houston, Lightelm/arr. Ben Lichti

Bell Ensemble; Maggie Dungan, soloist

Scripture reading Deuteronomy 6:1-13 Beaty Robb

Sermon *Faith Formation 101* Dorothy Nickel Friesen

RESPONDING IN FAITH

***Hymn** *Lord of our growing years* **HWB 479**

Prayer of God's people Susan Wheeler

Offering

During the offering, please sign and pass the friendship register in your pew. When all have signed, return it to the first person.

During the offertory, the Pastor Search Committee is invited to come forward to receive a blessing (bring HWB)

Offertory *Contemplation [Tallis' Canon]* Purvis

***Dedication hymn** *Take my life* **HWB 389**

verses 1 and 4 only

***Dedication prayer**

SENDING

***Hymn** *Guide my feet* **HWB 546**

***Benediction**

***Benediction response** *Deep river* Spiritual/arr. McChesney
Bell Ensemble

***Postlude**

*All who are able are invited to stand

HWB = Hymnal: A Worship Book

STJ = Sing the Journey

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).

Thank you to members of the bell ensemble, Suzy Burch, Ben Lichti, Brenda Turner, and Marty Warkentine and soloist Maggie Dungan for providing special music this morning. The piece, *Oceans (Where feet may fail)* was sung at the youth convention of the Mennonite Church USA Assembly in Kansas City in July.

Committees and Commissions don't forget the 2016 budget building process. Worksheets have been distributed to commissions and board-appointed committees with a Sept. 27 deadline. The Pony Express starts in November when members and friends can express their intentions to give in 2016. The 2016 budget will be voted on at the Jan. 24, 2016 congregational meeting.

The new Mennonite Central Committee Mobile Cannery will be dedicated Fri., Aug. 28, 7:30 p.m. at the MCC Center, 121 E. 30th St., North Newton. The public is invited.

Conversational Spanish: BCMC Witness Commission received a Western District Conference *Loaves and Fishes* grant for learning conversational Spanish for seventh graders through adults of supportive congregations to Iglesia Menonita Casa Betania, a WDC church. Sessions are tentatively scheduled for 2nd and 4th Saturdays of Sept., Oct., Nov., Jan., Feb., and March, 2–3:30 p.m. in Pastor Jaime Cazares' office at 510 SE 2nd next to First Mennonite Church, Newton. Register by Aug. 23 with Margaret Goering at 316-283-5034 or mrgoering@outlook.com. Fees are \$25 for materials and supplies not covered by the grant. Bring payment to first session, with checks written to BCMC with 'Spanish' in the memo line.

BCMC youthful men, their sons and friends are invited to the 13th annual campout at Walnut Grove Campground, Harvey County Park West, Fri. evening 6:30 p.m. to Sat. morning, Aug. 21-22. Stay for the evening, or overnight. Bring your own meat plus a side dish and drink to share for supper at 7:30 p.m. Fri., items for recreation, camping gear, breakfast food to share for Sat. Contact Dave Linscheid, 316-727-6967, dave.linscheid@gmail.com.

Job and Volunteer Opportunities:

• **Bethel College Academy for Performing Arts** (BCAPA) needs 3 or 4 volunteers to help with the front desk duties from 3 to 7:30 p.m. Mon-Thurs. and 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sat. during the school year. Contact Danika Bielek at (316)-283-4902 or dbielek8@sbcglobal.net. See Gwen Neufeld or call 283-6999 for more information or questions.

• **Newton Et Cetera Shop job openings: Half-time sorter/clerk**, to be available Mon. and Sat. 8-5 with other hours flexible up to 20 hours per week; **Fri./Sat. clothing sorter/clerk**, to be available 5-8 p.m. Fri. and 8:30 a.m.– 5:30 p.m. Sat.. Applications are at newtonetceterashop.com and due by Aug. 20; bring to the store at 619 Main Street, Newton. **Volunteer positions:** help is needed to clean and tag shoes and electronics, and with clerking. Call 283-9461 for more information.

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

• **Mental Health Spiritual Retreat** is Sept. 6-7

• **Women and Girls Retreat** will be Sept. 11-13 (Fri. evening – Sun. lunch) Registration brochures on church bulletin board.

• **Work & Play Camp**, Sept. 20-23. Register online or call.

Alumni and friends of Bethel College are invited to play in the Thresher Golf Classic, Sat., Sept. 19, in Newton. For details, search for "Alumni Sporting Events" at www.bethelks.edu, call 316-284-5251 or email alumni@bethelks.edu. Discount deadline Sept. 4, final deadline Sept. 10.

This Week at BCMC: August 16 – August 23, 2015

Today—August 16

10:30 a.m. Fellowship in the Gathering Place; ice water available

10:30 a.m. Children's snack & singing—gathering in Fellowship Hall

10:50 a.m. Faith Formation—Visitors welcome!

- Age 2 through K in B4; 1—3rd grade in B3; 4—5th grade in B8
- Junior High students (6—8th grade)—Room 26
- Senior High students—Room 22
- College students—Meet under the balcony
- Agape—Fellowship Hall
- Bible Study—Not meeting in August
- Catacombs—Rm B-5—Not meeting in August
- Fine Arts—Rm 24
- Issues & Christianity—Rm 23—*Understanding the Old Testament*, dvd
- Mosaic—Rm 20—Sermon reflection and other current topics
- Open Circle—Rm B-7—Sermon reflection and response
- Seekers—Rm 21—Gathering, sharing and planning for Fall term
- Sojourners—Chapel—*Qualities for a new pastor*, John Esau

6:00-8:00 p.m. Visitation with the Howard Snider family—Kidron Bethel Community Room, North Newton

Monday, August 17

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

4:30 p.m. Memorial service for Howard Snider—Sanctuary

7:00 p.m. Worship Commission—Rm 14

Tuesday, August 18

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

Wednesday, August 19

8:00 a.m. Staff Meeting—Rm 14

4:00 p.m. Art Committee—Rm 14

7:00 p.m. Pastor Search Committee—Rm 14

Thursday, August 20

2:00 p.m. BCMC worship DVD—Schowalter Villa

4:00 p.m. Visitation Team—Rm 14

Sunday, August 23

9:30 a.m. Worship with sermon by John Tyson, Selections from Numbers 13 and 14; music by Nancy Mueller; commissioning of Sunday school teachers, club leaders, youth group sponsors; Bibles presented to 3rd graders

10:30 a.m. Fellowship time

10:50 a.m. Christian Education

7:00 p.m. BCMC Dessert Reception for BCMC members and Bethel College new and returning students – Church Front Lawn

One more helper needed for only one week out of the month to assist teachers for the Middler (4th & 5th grade) Sunday school class for this year.

We offer sympathy to Beth, Doug and Callie Unruh and family on the death of Beth's father, Donald A. Epp, Adams, NE. The memorial service was Aug. 6 at the Beatrice Mennonite Church, Beatrice, NE.

We offer sympathy to Stan Voth and family on the death of Stan's wife, Viola Duerksen Ediger, August 11, at Kidron Bethel Village. The memorial service was Aug. 14 at BCMC.

Receiving medical care this week: Orletta Wiebe and LaVera Schrag, Newton Medical Center (both released); Lanoy Loganbill, Via Christi-St. Francis Hospital, Wichita. Mary Esther Loganbill is currently at Schowalter Villa.

Coming BCMC Events:



• **BCMC's annual dessert reception for Bethel College students** will be August 23, 7 p.m. on the BCMC front lawn. BCMC members, please bring a large dessert. Ice cream, dishes, and beverages are provided.

• **A mentor and student pizza luncheon** will take place September 13 following the Sunday school hour!

Pastor Search Committee: The Church Board has confirmed and blessed the following people as they begin the search process: Rosalind Andreas (Chair), Dale Schrag, Jon Zerger, Jennifer Koontz and Judy Friesen. Please keep these people in your prayers as they begin this important work. The committee will be meeting with Clarence Rempel, consultant, for orientation on Wed., Aug. 19.

A Reunion Jazz Concert with Brett Jackson, Aaron Linscheid, Ben Harder, Joel Linscheid, Chris Hazelton, Jim Pisano, William Flynn, Brandon Blackburn and Kim Garey will be Aug. 23, 3 p.m., Krehbiel Auditorium. Free admission with donation taken.

In order to prepare for the Congregational Meeting Sept. 27, the Church Board asks that you inform Jim Robb, church moderator, of any motions, topics or questions that you (as an individual or commission or committee) wish to bring to the congregation. This will insure that the wording is correct and proper time is allotted during the meeting. These items need to be sent, or given to the moderator before the September 3 Board Meeting. ~ *Jim Robb, moderator* (jimandbeatyrobb@gmail.com)

BCMC is responsible for the Sat. evening supper, Sept. 12 at Women and Girls Retreat at Camp Mennoscah. If you can help with serving, contact Marlene Faul, 316-283-3342. Registration deadline for attending the Retreat is Aug. 22 and registration forms are on the bulletin board. Coming to help serve Saturday night only is fine.

Oceans (Where Feet May Fail)

You call me out upon the waters
the great unknown where feet may fail
And there I find you in the mystery • In oceans deep
My faith will stand

And I will call upon your name • And keep my eyes above the waves
When oceans rise • My soul will rest in your embrace
For I am yours and you are mine

Your grace abounds in deepest waters • Your sovereign hand
Will be my guide • Where feet my fail and fear surrounds me
You've never failed and you won't start now

Spirit lead me where my trust is without borders
Let me walk upon the waters • Wherever you would call me
Take me deeper than my feet could ever wander
And my faith will be made stronger • In the presence of my Savior



It's time for choirs for adults and children to meet
beginning Wednesdays, **September 2.**
Come make a joyful noise!

- **Cherub Choir** (Kindergarten – 3rd grade) – 6:30-7:15 p.m., Rm 24 – Jill Siebert, director
- **Junior Choir** (4th-8th grade) – 6:30 – 7:15 p.m., Rm 28 – Elizabeth Schrag, director
- **Chancel Choir** (adults) - 7:30– 8:30 p.m. in the sanctuary chancel – William Eash, director
- **Menno Ringers** (handbell choir for children grades 5-8) - 7:15-7:45 p.m. in Rm B-7. Vada Snider, director.
- **Chancel Bells** (handbell choir for adults) – 8:30–9:30 p.m. in Rm B-7 Vada Snider, director

Progressive Recovery Academy (PRA) on the campus of Schowalter Villa (a Bluestem community) in Hesston is a short-term rehabilitation facility at 404 S. Hess. PRA will host an open house, 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Sun., Aug. 23. Guest rooms, the lobby area and dining room recently were renovated. Sunday-brunch diners at Water's Edge may ride a free shuttle to the open house. Buses leave from the restaurant every 15 minutes, 1:15 to 2:15 p.m. Info: 620-327-3414.

The annual Mennonite Central Committee Flatlander Bicycle Ride will be Sat., Sept. 19, originating at the MCC offices, 121 E. 30th St., North Newton. Brochures are on the bulletin board or available on the MCC website, mcc.org/get-involved/events/mcc-flatlander-bicycle-ride.