

### Prayer Requests

**Mennonite Mission Network:** Lauren Baer, Laura Haar, Malte Kaliske, Jessica Lindsay, and Pablo Lorenzana make up Mennonite Mission Network's Service Adventure unit in Albany, Oregon. Pray for them as they work with Habitat for Humanity, care for older adults, help in the local school system, and engage in ministries with homeless people.

**Western District Conference:** Pray for youth leaders, mentors, Sunday school teachers, pastors and others who nurture faith formation within WDC congregations.

**This congregation:** Let us give thanks to God for people in all places who witness to their faith in Jesus Christ, who give leadership in congregations, and for our own Anabaptist faith tradition rooted in discipleship and pacifism.

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@bethelcollegemennonitechurch.org](mailto:dorothy@bethelcollegemennonitechurch.org);  
day off is Friday

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

**Associate Pastor for Pastoral Care:** Susan Wheeler

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**Administrative Assistant:** Monica Lichti, [office@bethelcollegemennonitechurch.org](mailto:office@bethelcollegemennonitechurch.org)

**Custodian:** Michael Crawford, 316-727-9840; day off is Tuesday

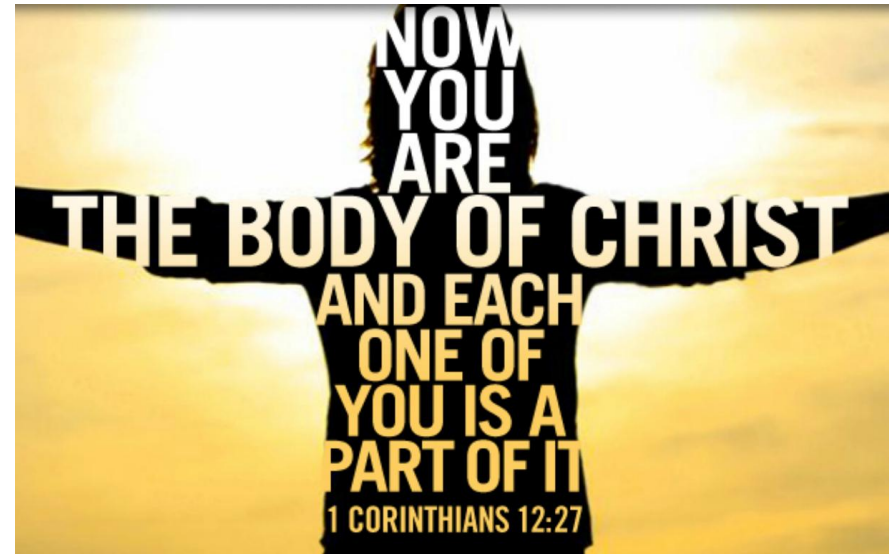
**Music Coordinator:** Rebecca Schloneger, 316-772-6084

**Chancel Bell Choir Director:** Vada Snider, 283-5231

**Menno Ringers Director:** Suzy Burch    **Chancel Choir Director:** William Eash

**Cherub Choir director:** Jill Siebert    **Junior Choir director:** Elizabeth Schrag

**January 17 at BCMC:** Attendance 269. General Fund \$12,418.25; Living Stones \$2,560; Media Supplies \$15; Plant Fund \$75; Columbarium Fund \$1,521; Caring Fund \$100; Organ Fund \$20.



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January 24, 2016

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THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

GATHERING

**Prelude** Meditation in B Minor Guilmant  
Brethren We Have Met to Worship arr. Wallace  
Verlene Garber, organist

**Introit** Feed My Lambs Sleeth  
Cherub Choir; Jill Siebert, director; Mary Ann Boschmann, piano;  
Neil Smucker and Georgia Berning, flutes

**Call to worship** John Tyson, worship leader

**\*Hymn** O come, loud anthems let us sing **HWB 68**  
(children come forward during hymn)

LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

**Children's conversation** Glen Ediger

**Scripture readings** Psalm 19:7-11 **HWB 813**

**Worship music** The heavens are telling Haydn  
Chancel Choir; William Eash, director

**Scripture** 1 Corinthians 12:12-31a Peggy Souder

**Sermon** Why bodies matter Dorothy Nickel Friesen

RESPONDING IN FAITH

**\*Hymn** Lord, whose love in humble service **HWB 369**

**Prayer of God's people**

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

**Offertory** Lord, keep us steadfast in Thy word Pachelbel

**\*Dedication hymn** Som 'landele (We will follow) **STS 40**  
(Zulu the first time; English the second time)

**\*Dedication prayer**

SENDING

**\*Hymn** Let there be light, Lord God **HWB 371**  
(a cappella)

**\*Benediction**

**\*Benediction response**

Chancel Choir

**\*Postlude**

\*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).

**Pastoral Search Committee Information Update.** The Pastoral Search Committee met Jan. 22 with the Western District Conference representative, Clarence Rempel. Thank you for your continuing prayers as we consider potential candidates for our lead pastor. ~ *Rosalind Andreas, chair; Judy Friesen, Jennifer Koontz, Dale Schrag, Jon Zerger*

**The Senior High Youth Group warmly invites the congregation** and all visitors to a soup luncheon in Fellowship Hall **today at 11:45 a.m.** The Senior High Youth Group has always been blessed with generous congregational support, enabling us to experience many exciting ventures. We look forward to future activities! IRS allows charitable deductions for the amount of the contribution in excess of the value of the meal received. The value of the meal today is \$3 per person. To receive a record of your charitable donation, please make a check payable to BCMC and enter Youth Fund in the memo along with the amount that is a charitable contribution.

**A brief memorial service for Zachary Regier**, son of Steve Regier and grandson of Bob and Vernetta Regier, will be held in the sanctuary at 3 p.m. on Sat., Jan. 30, followed with family visitation in the Gathering Place.

**Pray for those receiving medical care this week:** LaVonne Platt, Newton Medical Center.

**Staff:** Pastor Dorothy Nickel Friesen will be out of the office January 25 and 26. Custodian Mike Crawford is on vacation Jan. 23-29. Pastor John Tyson will be attending a Mennonite Church USA Youth Ministry Council in Orlando, FL, Jan. 29-Feb. 1.

**We are experimenting** with a large print edition of the bulletin. Copies are available this morning. I will need some feedback on whether this is helpful and, if so, how many copies we should print for a Sunday worship.  
~ *Monica Lichti, BCMC administrative assistant*

## This Week at BCMC: January 24-31, 2016

**Everence Financial will present an informative webinar, *Understanding long-term care insurance***, Mon., Jan. 25, 12 noon and 7 p.m. Financial Advisor Scott Luty will discuss how you can cover the high cost of long-term care – without wiping out your life savings. He'll also talk about ensuring quality of care and maintaining your independence. You'll get the information you need to make informed decisions. There will be time for your questions. To participate, contact Sandy Popp at (620) 662-7900, (877) 893-8647 or sandy.popp@everence.com. Or visit everence.com/kansas.

**Contact Joe Peters if you wish more information or registration forms** on the Kansas Mennonite Men's Chorus. Phone: 316-283-8529.

**Camp Mennoscah** announcements (For info call 620-297-3290 or [www.campmennoscah.org](http://www.campmennoscah.org))

- Scrapbook and Crafts Retreats, March 4-6 and 11-13 are open for registrations. Register at [www.campmennoscah.org](http://www.campmennoscah.org).
- Camp Mennoscah is offering a Youth Volunteer Weekend for young people in grades 7-12, March 11-12, led by Patrick Loganbill and Rachel Miller. Online registration now available on the website. Limited space.

**WANTED: Pieced 60" x 80" quilt tops** for the MCC Comforter Blitz. Use your own fabric, or select a bag of fabric from MCC. Instructions are included for a simple block quilt, but you may use any quilt pattern. Bags of fabric are in the Gathering Place. Contact Carol Peters for information, 316-283-4232.

**Serve Mennonite Central Committee and your local community** by volunteering at Newton Et Cetera Shop! Currently needed: volunteer clerks (especially 5:30-7:30 p.m. Monday-Friday); volunteers to check electronics, tag clothing, shoes, housewares, other. Times are flexible. For more information call 316-283-9461.

**Your life story is an unrepeated journey** that only you can tell! First Mennonite Church, Newton is sponsoring two life stories workshops this year called "Story Matters" led by Laurie Oswald Robinson which will provide tools to help people write their own stories or the stories of a loved one, on Feb. 19-20 (6:30-9 p.m. Fri. and 8:30-3:30 Sat.) and April 1-2. Cost is \$60 per person and includes workshop materials, snacks and lunch. The workshops are partially funded by a Loaves & Fishes Grant from Western District Conference. Register by e-mail to Wendy Funk Schrag at [pwschrag@cox.net](mailto:pwschrag@cox.net). Registration is due Feb. 1 for the February workshop.

**Circles of Hope, Harvey County** is having an Information Night, Tues., Feb. 9 at First United Methodist Church, 801 N. Main, Newton. It is open to the public and is an opportunity for potential volunteers or participants to find out more about the Circles program and the powerful impact it can have on families and our community.

### Today—January 24, 2016

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

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

**10:50 a.m.** Faith Formation – Visitors welcome!

- Age 2 through K in B4; 1 – 3<sup>rd</sup> grade in B3; 4 – 5<sup>th</sup> grade in B8
- Junior High students (6 – 8<sup>th</sup> grade) – Room 26
- Senior High students – Luncheon prep in the kitchen
- Agape— Fellowship Hall—*History of Islam*, Video and Discussion
- Bible Study—Rm 14—*Fruits of the Holy Spirit*
- Catacombs—Rm B-5—*National Socialism and Mennonites in Paraguay*, John Thiesen
- Fellowship—Under the balcony
- Fine Arts—Rm 24
- Issues & Christianity—Rm 23— *Great Figures of the New Testament*, dvd
- Mosaic—Rm 20—Sermon reflection and other current topics
- Open Circle—Rm 28—Sermon reflection and response
- Seekers—Rm 21—Sharing poems and quotes
- Sojourners—Chapel—*Paraguay with Arlo and Kathy Kasper*
- Young Adult Fellowship—Meets Wednesdays at 8 p.m. at Agape Center

### Monday, Jan. 25

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

**7:00 p.m.** Women's Fellowship Circle 4—Lenore Waltner's, 20 Lakewood Circle, North Newton

### Tuesday, Jan. 26

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

### Wednesday, Jan. 27

**8:00 a.m.** Staff breakfast—Rm 14

**4:00 p.m.** Art Committee—Rm 14

**6:30 p.m.** Cherub Choir (Rm 24) and Junior Choir (Rm 28)

**7:00 p.m.** Senior High youth—Rm 22

**7:15 p.m.** Menno Ringers—Rm B7

**7:30 p.m.** Chancel Choir—Sanctuary

**8:00 p.m.** Young Adult Fellowship Group—Agape Center

**8:30 p.m.** Chancel Bells—Rm B7

### Thursday, Jan. 28

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

**6:00 p.m.** Sojourners Sunday school class social—Fellowship Hall

### Friday, Jan. 29

**5:00 p.m.** Mennonite Women USA Sister Care Seminar Dinner—Fellowship Hall (for Planning Committee)

**7:00 p.m.** Mennonite Women USA Sister Care Seminar—Fellowship Hall

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**Saturday, Jan. 30**

**9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.** Mennonite Women USA Sister Care Seminar-Fellowship Hall

**3:00 p.m.** Memorial service for Zachary Regier--Sanctuary

**Sunday, Jan. 31**

**9:30 a.m.** Worship with reflections by Dorothy Nickel Friesen and four BCMC members; music by Junior Choir

**10:30 a.m.** Fellowship time

**10:50 a.m.** Christian Education

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**The Congregational Meeting is today, 12:45 p.m.** in the sanctuary. This will follow the luncheon prepared by the youth. This is the meeting designated for financial matters. We will be reviewing the 2015 finances and voting on the proposed budget for 2016. The agenda will also include other items including an update from the Search Committee, information on the proposed front entrance improvements and columbarium expansion.

Financial Report booklets were in church mailboxes.

~ *Jim Robb, Moderator and Church Board Chair*

**Spotlight on Senior High:**

**Today** – Luncheon Fundraiser

Many Senior High students are involved in various school activities during this season, feel free to go and support them!

**Spotlight on Children & Emerging Youth:**

January 22-24 – RMMC Junior High Snow Camp

**Save the date!** Church retreat at Camp Mennoscah will be April 30 - May 1.

**The IRA charitable rollover for persons 70 1/2 or older** has been made retroactive to January 1, 2015 and extended indefinitely. Talk with your tax adviser to determine if this is a useful tool for your charitable contributions. I am preparing acknowledgement letters for those I believe made qualifying contributions in 2015. If you have not received a letter within a couple of weeks and believe you should, please contact me.

~ *Richard Friesen, Treasurer*

**A Legislative Briefing on ending the death penalty in Kansas** is scheduled for Jan. 28 at 11:45 a.m. on the Second floor Rotunda in Topeka. Speakers include bipartisan lawmakers. This is sponsored by the Kansas Coalition Against the Death Penalty and Western District Conference is a member. Anyone interested in carpooling, contact Western District Conference office at 316-283-6300. ~ *Lois Preheim, Witness Commission Chair*



**Kansas Mennonite Central Committee Sale – April 8-9, 2016**

**Fellowship Meals** will be Feb. 28 and Mar. 6.

Forms are on church bulletin board, and **due in by Feb 8.**

**Thinking of donating something** to the General Auction or the Silent Auction? Notify the auction chairs **by Feb. 4.**

Forms are on the bulletin board, or contact one of the church liaisons (Ron and Carol Peters, Tom and Gayle Jackson, John and Judy Kliever) **Sunday school classes**, decide how much your class is willing to donate towards the food and overhead expenses at the 2016 sale. Return your form to one of the church liaisons by March.

**Quilts** for the Quilt Auction are to be turned into the MCC Center by Mar. 7.

**Women's Fellowship Members** – If you had your donation ready to give at the circle meetings that were cancelled last Tuesday, you're welcome to put them in Nancy Hilty's mailbox. ~ *Nancy Hilty, Women's Fellowship Treasurer*

**The family of Robert Kreider** thanks this church community for the kind expressions of love and support as we mourn Robert's death and celebrate his life.

**We offer sympathy to** Hulda and Kenneth Voth on the death of Hulda's brother, Geroge E. Reimer, Jan. 17, Meade, KS. Funeral service was Jan. 23 at the Emmanuel Mennonite Church, Meade.

**To go along with the special exhibit** "Root For the Home Team," Kauffman Museum's annual Celebrate Kansas Day! will have a sports theme. Sat., Jan. 30, 11 a.m., *The Common and Quirky Mascots of Kansas, Krehbiel Auditorium*; events on the museum grounds will be 1 to 4 p.m., including wagon rides and corn popped over an open fire (weather permitting), along with make-it-take-it crafts, silent auction, flea market, bake sale and more. Lecture and museum events are free; charge for the special Kansas Day meal in the Bethel cafeteria at noon.

**Prison Theater Project, a Bethel College 2016 interterm class**, presents *Inside Story*, directed by John McCabe-Juhnke, Fri., Feb. 5, and Sat., Feb. 6 – 7 p.m., Krehbiel Auditorium. Tickets are \$6 for adults and \$4 for senior citizens and non-Bethel students (Bethel students are free Friday and pay \$1 Saturday). A dollar of every ticket sold goes to Offender Victim Ministries, Newton, to support its Prison Ministries that include arts projects and M-2. (Please note *Inside Story* is rated PG for language.)

**They are Coming!** Patricia Palaco, Marcia Brown, Crescent Dragonwagon, Tomie de Paola, Ina Friedman, Robert McCloskey, Dr. Seuss, Adam Rubin, Laura Numeroff and others will be featured during Wednesday night suppers. Come and see who they are...! Starting February 3