

Prayer Requests

Mennonite Mission Network: Praise God for the courage of the persecuted Christians in Sidi, Burkina Faso, who overcame violence with acts of love. Join Mennonite Mission Network in praying that the crops they planted this year will produce a plentiful harvest, even as their seeds of faith help grow the church.

Western District Conference: Pray for WDC Annual Assembly next weekend at Bethel College in Kansas, and for all who travel from far and near to experience worship, fellowship, learning and discernment together.

This congregation: Pray for our delegates (Hugo and Mary Ann Boschmann, Dianne Epp, Marlene Faul, Lou Gomez, Norma Johnson, Don Kaufman, Megan Kohlmann, Sondra Koontz, Lois and Ron Preheim, Vern Preheim, Elizabeth Raid, Adam and Jill Robb, June Thomsen, John Tyson, Susan Wheeler) to Western District Conference Assembly this weekend.

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

Church office is closed on Friday afternoons

Building is locked daily at 5 p.m. unless evening activities are scheduled.

Notary public service is available in the church office.

Pastor: June Thomsen, june@bethelcollegemennonitechurch.org;

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Associate Pastor for Pastoral Care: Susan Wheeler

susan@bethelcollegemennonitechurch.org

Home phone 620-327-2295, cell phone 316-706-0887; day off is Monday

Associate Pastor for Faith Formation: John Tyson,

john@bethelcollegemennonitechurch.org; Phone: 316-283-3667

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Administrative Assistant: Monica Lichti, 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

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

Junior Choir Director: Monica Schmidt



Bethel College Mennonite Church

July 24, 2016

Bethel College Mennonite Church
July 24, 2016 – 9:30 a.m. Worship

TIME FOR WORSHIP

GATHERING

Prelude *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty* Manz
Theme and two variations on *Oh, that I had a thousand voices* Cherwien
Karen Unruh, organist

Call to worship, prayer John Waltner

***Hymn** *Holy spirit, come with power* **HWB 26**
(children come forward during hymn)

LISTENING FOR GOD’S WORD

Children’s conversation Crystal Gaeddert

Worship Music Dave Anderson, dulcimer

Scripture reading: Revelation 21:1-8 Barb Thiesen

Sermon *This is the End of the World* John Tyson

RESPONDING IN FAITH

***Hymn** *Where cross the crowded ways* **HWB 405**

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 Dave Anderson, dulcimer

***Dedication hymn** *If all you want, Lord* **HWB 512**

***Dedication prayer**

SENDING

Hymn *New earth, heavens new* **HWB 299**

***Benediction**

***Benediction response**

***Postlude** *Rejoice, rejoice, the Savior comes* Clemens

*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).

There will be two orientation opportunities for Sunday School teachers. An orientation will be offered Tuesday, August 2 at 7:00 PM and at 10:50 AM on Sunday, August 7. Both gatherings will be in Fellowship Hall.

Living Stones II Update: The stone cleaning, tuck pointing and perimeter sealing is complete! Mid Continental Restoration Company did a great job, take a minute to look at the newly cleaned stone outside. The next projects will be the front entrance ramp and improved lighting in the foyer. The weather has caused some scheduling difficulties, so the start date is not set. When work on the ramp and foyer begins, the front entrance will be closed and other entrances will need to be used for several weeks. We appreciate your understanding and cooperation while these improvements are being made!

In partnership with Crossroads Community Church in Winfield, MCC is making peaches available again this summer! Peaches come in 20 lb. cases for \$35 each, from Noland Orchards in Palisade, Colorado. Place orders with Patsy Dirksen at patsydirksen@mcc.org or 316-283-2720 by July 29. Pick-up date for peaches is Aug. 18, between 4 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. at MCC in North Newton.

The Newton Et Cetera Shop is hiring a Sorter/Receiver for 30 hours/week: The sorter/receiver maintains an active presence in the processing area, in both receiving and sorting donations. He/she will be primarily responsible for sorting through houseware donations, placing items in appropriate price categories, recycling and discarding, as needed.

Camp Mennoscah Announcements—Contact Info: 620-297-3290 or office@campmennoscah.org

- Young Adult Weekend is July 29-31. Register online or call. Scholarships are available.
- The annual Camp Sing will be Aug. 7, 6:30 p.m. at Grace Hill Mennonite Church, Whitewater.
- Mental Health Spiritual Retreat is Sept. 4-5, for all who are affected by mental illness. Brochure at www.campmennoscah.org under Retreats.
- Work & Play Camp and Camp Mennoscah's Annual Meeting have joined together for five days of making Camp Mennoscah better. Put Sept. 16-21 on your calendar; Sept. 18 is the Annual meeting. Tasks for all ages and skills will be available. Register online at www.campmennoscah.org

Centering Prayer continues every Monday from noon-1 p.m. in Agape Center in Richert House on the Bethel College campus. All are welcome. For more information, contact Nathan Koontz, 2nathankoontz@gmail.com, or Melanie Zuercher, mzuercher@bethelks.edu.

Call for seminar proposals: If you have an exciting ministry or interesting resource to share with others attending the Mennonite Church USA convention 2017, the Mennonite Church USA convention planners have begun collecting seminar proposals for Mennonite Church USA convention July 4-8 in Orlando, FL. For more information and to submit seminar proposals, see <http://convention.mennoniteusa.org/seminars/> At the bottom of the page is a link to the submission form. Proposals are due by August 12, 2016.

July 24, 2016

10:30 a.m. There are no Children's Sunday school classes for the month of July

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

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

Adult Sunday school elective in the sanctuary: *Newton Community for Racial Justice* facilitated by Sara Dick—Sanctuary

- Agape—Fellowship Hall
- Bible Study—Does not meet during the summer months
- Catacombs—Rm B-5—Will attend adult elective
- Fellowship—Rm B7
- Fine Arts—Rm 24—A study of the book, *Biblical Literalism: A Gentile Heresy* by John Shelby Spong
- 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—Will attend adult elective
- Sojourners—Chapel—Does not meet in July; members may attend elective

Monday, July 25

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

Tuesday, July 26

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

Wednesday, July 27

8:00 a.m. Staff Worship Planning—Rm 14

4:00 p.m. Administrative Team—Rm 14

Thursday, July 28

10:00 a.m. Bulletin announcement deadline

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

7:00 p.m. Deacon Commission—Rm 14

Friday and Saturday—June 29-30—Western District Conference Annual Assembly at Bethel College

Friday—July 29

4:00 p.m. Delegates check in at Bethel College Mennonite Church

5:30 p.m. Pastors' (and families) Appreciation Dinner—BCMC Fellowship Hall

7:00 p.m. Worship with Marty Troyer-Preacher—BCMC Sanctuary (All are welcome, even if not registered for the Assembly)

Saturday, July 30

12:00 noon Women's Lunch—BCMC Fellowship Hall

Sunday, July 31

Worship with sermon by Brian Pellecer, Western District Conference Associate Conference Minister; music by Suzuki violins; adult Sunday school elective with Pastor Pellecer in the sanctuary

Staff: Pastor Susan Wheeler will be on vacation July 22-26.

We offer sympathy to Herman Toevs and Edie (Toevs) Krehbiel and families on the death of Herman's son, James L. Toevs, Whitewater, July 15. The memorial service for James was at the Whitewater Community Church, July 23.

Stop in the library to see 22 new books ready to be checked out. Pick up a copy of the list or see it on the church website. ~ *Library Committee*

There is an opening for Cherub Choir Director (grades K-4) . Contact the church office for a full job description or with questions.

The Deacon Commission is inviting contributions to the **above-budget Caring Fund** to assist congregation and community members with current needs such as utility and rent expenses, food or other emergencies. Contributions may be put in the regular offering, with checks made out to BCMC and designated "Caring Fund."

Fill out a Mennoscah Retreat Feedback sheet (bright pink) and place in Adam Robb's or Suzanne Burch's mailbox. Feedback sheets are on the ledge in the Gathering Place. If you did not attend retreat, you can still fill out a form with your suggestions.

The Decoration Committee invites you to provide flowers for a Sunday morning of your choice. You may pick a Sunday that is meaningful for you. There is a sign-up sheet posted on the bulletin board. Thank you for your participation. ~ *Carol Buller, chair*

You are invited to contribute non-perishable food for the local Salvation Army food pantry. On the first Sunday of the month, bring items to BCMC and place them on the pew in the south entrance.

BCMC youthful men, their sons and friends are invited to the 14th annual campout at Walnut Grove Campground at Harvey County Park West, Fri. eve. to Sat. mid-morning, Aug. 26-27. Arrive Fri. 6:30 p.m. or after. Stay only for the evening, if you wish, or overnight. Bring your own meat plus a side dish and drink to share for supper around 7:30 p.m. Fri., items for recreation, camping gear. If staying overnight, bring breakfast food to share. Contact Dave Linscheid, 316-727-6967; dave.linscheid@gmail.com

Please join us July 29-30 at Bethel College for the Western District Conference Annual Assembly, "Held Together in Mission". Friday 7 p.m. worship and the Saturday evening music festival (7-9 pm) are free and open to the public. For more information on Assembly events, go to: <http://mennowdc.org/annual-assembly/#2016annualAssembly>. Workshop topics and schedules, as well as music festival performers' bios and schedules are now on the website! You can still register for Assembly events, but will need to make your own arrangements for meals.

Western District Women in Mission is offering 10 registration scholarships for MW USA's PREP event in Colorado Aug. 12-13. To receive a WDWM scholarship or for carpooling info contact Western District Women in Mission at WesternDistrictWomen@gmail.com or Jennie at 316-708-0309.

Mennonite Central Committee Central States is hiring a Thrift Shop Coordinator. This position will start in August and the location is flexible within the 16-state Central States region. The Thrift Shop Coordinator will encourage shop operations to grow profitability annually, to assist with problem solving in daily operations, to encourage and advocate for board development and sound policies, and to nurture manager skill development while offering and promoting MCC Thrift Shop Network resources. The work schedule is 40 hours per week. Full job description is available at <http://mcc.org/get-involved/serve/openings/thrift-shop-coordinator-cs>. Contact Heidi Huber at heidihuber@mcc.org for more information.

Mennonite Central Committee invites you on a Learning Tour to Haiti Oct 31-Nov 8, 2016. On this *Soil to Table MCC Learning Tour*, participants will meet Haitian farmers, marketers and cooks, and learn the importance of food in everyday life, from the soil up. Contact Anna Yoder at annayoder@mcc.org or at 316-283-2720 for more information.

New staff at MCC Central States! We are happy to welcome two new people to the staff at MCC Central States and we hope you'll help us welcome them as well! Patsy Dirksen started in June as our new Office Manager, please say "Hello!" the next time you're at MCC in North Newton. We are also excited to introduce you to Ana Hinojosa, our new Immigration Education Coordinator! Ana started at the beginning of July and will work from Brownsville, Texas. She will focus on working with Latino/a populations, collaborating with churches and other faith-based organizations and she will network with MCC's partners on the U.S./Mexico border

July 17 at BCMC: Attendance 199. General Fund \$12,797.53; Living Stones \$1,460; Caring Fund \$300; Education-Gifts \$100.