

Prayer Requests

Mennonite Mission Network: Dan and Kathryn Smith Derksen and their sons spent July in North America speaking on behalf of Mennonite Mission Network. Pray for them as they return to South Africa, working with Southern African Development and Reconstruction Agency to achieve 2020 vision: 20 trained conflict mediators in 20 communities by 2020.

Western District Conference: Pray for the WDC Stewardship Commission and Ministerial Leadership Commission, each gathering this week for their first meeting in the new organizational year.

This congregation: Pray for Bethel College students, faculty and staff as they begin this new school year.

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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Web site: bethelcollegemennonitechurch.org

Church office hours: 9:00 a.m.–12:30 p.m. on Mon–Fri; 1:30–5:00 p.m. on Mon – Thur

Church office is closed on Friday afternoons

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

Saturdays—building is locked; Sundays—building is locked at 2 p.m.

Notary public service is available in the church office

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Music Coordinator: Barbara Thiesen **Chancel Bell Choir Director:** Vada Snider

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

Junior Choir Director: Debbie Dennis **Cherub Choir Director:** Jill Siebert

August 13 at BCMC: Attendance 218. General Fund \$11,118.99; Living Stones \$1,670; Columbarium Fund \$1,000; Organ Fund \$400; Transfer-Funeral \$830; Darrell Fast Memorial \$10.

entering a new place and a new time

FOLLOWING JESUS
Only small things with great love
PRAYER
RECLAIMING SPIRITUAL HABITS
FAITHFULNESS
PEACE
TRUST
SERVICE
SINGING
LOVE
DISCERNMENT
COMMUNITY
JUST LIVING
HOSPITALITY

Bethel College Mennonite Church

August 20, 2017

Bethel College Mennonite Church
August 20, 2017; 9:30 a.m. Worship

THE SUMMER OF SMALL THINGS:
Entering a new place and a new time
Genesis 12: Bethel College New Student Welcome

GATHERING

Prelude *Lobe Den Herren* Bach
Every time I feel the Spirit Hailstork
Verlene Garber, organist

Welcome Dawn Yoder Harms, pastor

Lighting the Christ Candle

*Gathering song *Come, walk with us* **STJ 2**
green books at end of bench
Matt Schloneger, leader; Jonah Schloneger, Eric Massanari, percussion

*Prayer

*Hymn of praise *We sing to you, O God* **STJ 1**
green books at end of bench
(children come forward during hymn)

LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

Children's conversation & blessing John Tyson

Scripture reading Genesis 12:1-9 Sarah Turner

Worship music *Immortal, invisible, God only wise* (HWB 70)
Holy Spirit, come with power (HWB 26)
Bethel College Brass Quartet

Sermon *Will you walk with us?* John Tyson

RESPONDING IN FAITH

*Hymn *Be thou my vision* **HWB 545**
blue book in rack

Prayer of God's people

Offering

Offertory *O that I had a thousand voices* Manz

*Dedication hymn *Praise God from whom* **HWB 119**
blue book in rack

*Dedication prayer

SENDING

*Sending hymn *Guide my feet* **HWB 546**
blue book in rack

*Benediction

*Benediction response

*Postlude

*All who are able are invited to stand

HWB = <i>Hymnal: A Worship Book</i>	STS = <i>Sing the Story</i>
STJ = <i>Sing the Journey</i> (at the end of the bench)	

Welcome and thank you to members of the Bethel College Brass Quartet today: Connor Born, trumpet; Alec Loganbill, trumpet; Rebecca Schrag, French horn; Andrew Thiesen, trombone.

Welcome to the new students of Bethel College this morning!
Following the service, their orientation continues with a brunch in Fellowship Hall.

Regular Sunday school resumes this morning. Children go directly to their classrooms.

The Church Board gratefully acknowledges unrestricted bequests from the estate of Frank R. Keller and the estate of Margaret E. Friesen. The Church Board will determine the use of these funds in consultation with others. By policy, bequests are not used for general operating purposes.

In 2016, the Mennonite Worship and Song Committee began developing a new collection designed to succeed *Hymnal: A Worship Book (1992)*, and supplements *Sing the Journey (2005)*, and *Sing the Story (2007)*. **In anticipation of purchasing the new hymnal** in the future, the Worship Commission and Church Board have established the Hymnal Fund and have already received several memorial gifts.

Registration now open for Nov. 18, 4th biennial Worship and the Arts Symposium at Bethel College, “Seasons of the Soul: Enacting the Mystery of Faith,” with guest presenter Ted Swartz. Symposium registration includes Swartz’s performance of “Slightly Left of Normal,” Nov. 17, in Krehbiel Auditorium (admission charge for non-symposium registrants). Registration discount for groups of 3 or more from a single congregation; for schedule and online registration, see bethelks.edu/worshiparts

The annual Mennonite Central Committee Flatlander Bike Ride is Sept. 16, starting at the MCC offices, 121 E. 30th St., North Newton. This year’s ride will raise funds for an MCC Water development project in India. Rides of 34, 45 and 65 miles and shorter family rides are planned. Brochure is available on the MCC website: mcc.org/get-involved/events/mcc-flatlander-bicycle-ride. You can register on-line at that website. Contributions for this MCC project can be made to MCC with “Flatlander Bike Ride” in the memo line, sent to MCC PO Box 235, North Newton, KS, 67117. There are brochures on the bulletin board.

If you are excited to buy Mennonite Central Committee school kit supplies when all the back-to-school supplies show up in stores, consider helping refugee families in Jordan and Ukraine meet their basic hygiene needs with an MCC relief kit instead. Our partners in the Middle East and Ukraine are asking for more relief kits. Our goal is to ship 83,000 relief kits by March 2018. Visit mcc.org/mrc/kits for full kit information and from there click through to our Amazon Wish List for easier shopping and shipping. Bring or ship kit items to MCC Central States, 121 E. 30th St. North Newton, KS 67117. Contact katemast@mcc.org, 316-283-2720 with questions or to schedule a kit packing event at your church.

Registration is open for the Womens/Girls Retreat (3rd grade and up) at Camp Mennoscah Sept. 8-10, with the theme "Together: Rooted and Reaching" with Barb Krehbiel Gehring, featured speaker. Schedules and registration forms are available to print at: <http://mennowdc.org/calendar/> or on the bulletin board. We will celebrate 100 years of Mennonite Women organizations through stories and a hymn sing Friday evening. There will be no separate girls programming this year; girls should register for Saturday morning and afternoon activities and seminars.

Everence is moving to new offices in North Newton with a new address of 3179 N. Main St., just north of the Mennonite Central Committee offices. They will be in their new building starting Aug. 21. Feel free to stop by anytime! Phone numbers remain the same: (316) 283-3800; (877) 467-7294. Everence will be maintaining a satellite office at Schowalter Villa, 200 W. Cedar, Hesston, in addition to the Hutchinson office.

Sunday, August 20

10:30 a.m. Fellowship Time in the Gathering Place with coffee/water/tea

10:45 a.m. Brunch for the Bethel College students—Fellowship Hall

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

Sunday School for children and youth is back in session!

- Infants & Toddlers—Nursery at back of the sanctuary
- Pre-K through 1st grade in **B4**; 2–4th grade in **B3**; 5–6th grade in **B8**
- Junior High students (7–8th grade) – Room 26
- Senior High students—Room 22
- Agape—Fellowship Hall
- Bible Study—Rm 14—Does not meet during the summer months
- Catacombs—Rm B5—Does not meet during the summer months
- Fellowship—Rm B7
- 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 21—Worship reflection and response
- Seekers—Rm 28—*Watching icebergs melt: poetry & photos* by Florence and Weldon Schloneger
- Sojourners—Chapel—Sharing time with members about activities/trips, etc. this summer

Monday, August 21

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

Tuesday, August 22

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

7:00 p.m. Creation Care Committee—Rm 14

Wednesday, August 23

10:00 a.m. Bulletin announcement deadline

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

7:00 p.m. Senior High Youth

7:15 p.m. Menno Ringers—Rm B7

7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir—Sanctuary

8:30 p.m. Chancel Bells—Rm B7

Sunday, August 27

9:30 a.m. Worship with sermon by Eric Massanari; music by Freeman Junior College Ensemble

10:30 a.m. Fellowship Time in the Gathering Place with coffee/water, tea

10:50 a.m. Faith Formation
Parents Orientation (through 8th grade) — Fellowship Hall

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 Children's conversation, children receive activity bags to use during worship (return to baskets at the entrance as you leave).

Committee and Commission chairs: Please review the Gifts Discernment Committee's draft of a 2018-19 survey in your August meetings. Make corrections and return the information to dorothyfnf@cox.net, GDC chair by **August 31**.

New Hope Shelter receives \$1200 in the 2017 BCMC benevolence budget. New Hope has increased overnight staffing and is looking for additional financial support. The Witness Commission will be considering this request as part of the 2018 budgeting process. In the meantime, individual contributions can be sent to New Hope Shelter, PO Box 978, Newton KS 67114.

Bethel College Announcements:

- **Ben Goossen** will speak on "Are Mennonites German? Religion and Nationalism in the Global Diaspora," and sign his book *Chosen Nation: Mennonites and Germany in a Global Era* (2017), Aug. 27, 3 pm, Kauffman Museum (books available for purchase in the museum store).
- **Change of Venue for the appearance of Leonard Pitts Jr.** He will speak in Bethel College's Memorial Hall, a change from previous announcements and some printed material, Sept. 12, 7 pm. Pitts will speak on "What Now? America in the Age of Trump," and sign copies of his books.



It's time for choirs for adults and children to meet beginning Wednesdays, **August 23**
Come make a joyful noise!

- Cherub Choir (Kindergarten—4th grade)—6:30—7:15 pm—Rm 24—
Jill Siebert, director
- Junior Choir (5th—8th grade)—6:30—7:15 pm—Rm 28—
Debbie Dennis, director
- Chancel Choir (adults)—7:30—8:30 pm—Sanctuary Chancel—
William Eash, director
- Menno Ringers (handbell choir for children 5th—8th grade)—
7:15-7:45 pm—Rm B7— Suzanne Burch, director
- Chancel Bells (handbell choir for adults)—8:30—9:30 pm—Rm B-7—
Vada Snider, director

BCMC youthful men, their sons and friends are invited to the 15th annual campout at Walnut Grove Campground, Harvey County Park West, Fri. eve. to Sat. mid-morning, Aug. 25-26. Arrive Fri. 6:30 pm or after. Stay only for the evening, if you wish, or overnight, too. Bring your own meat plus a side dish and drink to share for supper around 7:30 pm, Fri., items for recreation, camping gear. If staying overnight, bring breakfast food to share. For more info contact Dave Linscheid, 316-727-6967, dave.linscheid@gmail.com.

Camp Mennoscah announcements: Contact info: 620-297-3290 or campmennoscah.org

- **Mental Health Spiritual Retreat** is Sept. 3-4 for people affected by mental issues. There will be sessions on the theme of Branching Out. Register online or call. Scholarships are available.
- **Work & Play Camp** for all ages is Sept. 29-Oct. 3. There will be various projects that need attention. It's a great opportunity to be part of the camping ministry. There is no cost for this retreat. Register using contact info above.
- **Scrapbook and Crafts Retreats** are offered Nov. 3-5 and Nov. 17-19.

Mennonite Central Committee continues to receive requests for comforters from partners in North Korea for 3,000 comforters, Iraq has requested 7,350, Ukraine has requested 7,000, Jordan has requested 5,000. The Comforter Blitz committee needs help tying comforters. There will be a "Mini-blitz" Sept. 29 and 30 at the North Newton MCC Central States Center. However, if you have time now, we have several tops stretched in frames ready to be tied. Call Kate Mast first (the workroom supervisor 283-2720) to make sure the room is available. *For more information, call Carol Peters, Kansas Friends of MCC*

The annual Instituto Bíblico Anabautista (IBA) benefit dinner will be Sept. 15, 6:30 pm at First Mennonite Church, Newton with a smothered pork burrito dinner. A short program will follow, with testimony from IBA students Vicky Velazquez and Jose Suastegui, a dance performance by the children of Iglesia Menonita Casa Betania and some words from the new director, Marco Güete. Dinner is by donation. This is a great opportunity to hear how IBA is equipping Hispanic leaders in Mennonite Church USA for ministry. IBA is a program of Mennonite Education Agency's Hispanic Ministries for Leadership Development and Pastoral Education. For any inquires contact Violeta Ajquejay at: VioletaA@MennoniteEducation.org or call 316-281-4342.

Jordan Penner joins Mennonite Central Committee Central States as the new Donor Relations Associate, working from Denver, CO. Prior to accepting this position, Jordan, and his wife Jenny, served with MCC in Bolivia.