

Prayer Requests

Mennonite Mission Network: Join MMN in thanking God for Benin Bible Institute's 25 years of training church leaders from more than 70 denominations. Pray for faith-filled and dynamic teachers to step into the positions of those who are retiring.

Western District Conference: Give thanks for the learning, fellowship, worship and inspiration that participants experienced at WDC Annual Assembly last weekend.

This congregation: Pray for people in our country and around the world who are experiencing devastation due to natural disaster.

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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North Newton, KS 67117 Phone: 316-283-3667 Fax: 316-283-2079
Email: office@bethelcollegemennonitechurch.org

Website: bethelcollegemennonitechurch.org

Church office hours: 9 am–12:30 pm Mon–Fri; 1:30 –5 pm Mon—Thur

Church office is closed Friday afternoons

Building is locked weekdays at 5 pm unless evening activities are scheduled

Saturdays—building is locked; Sundays—building is locked at 2 pm

Notary public service is available in the church office

Pastor: Dawn Yoder Harms, Day off : Monday—Phone: 316-283-3667
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Custodian: Michael Crawford, 316-727-9840; day off Tuesday

Music Coordinator: Barbara Thiesen **Chancel Bells Director:** Vada Snider

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

Junior Choir Director: William Eash **Cherub Choir Director:** Addie Regier

July 29 at BCMC Attendance: 175. General Fund \$2,047; Living Stones \$5; Hymnals \$200; Mennonite Camp Scholarship \$99.40.



Bethel College Mennonite Church
August 5, 2018

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August 5, 2018 Worship—9:30 a.m.

THINGS THAT MAKE FOR PEACE

GATHERING

Lighting the Christ Candle
*During the prelude, please observe a time of silence
as we open ourselves to God's presence among us.*

Prelude *Two Psalm Settings (Psalm 117 and Psalm 100)* Burkhardt
Karen Unruh, organ

Welcome Dawn Yoder Harms

Call to worship Psalm 63:1-4

*Hymns of praise *Je louerai l'Eternel* **HWB 76**
(children come forward during hymn)

LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

Children's conversation Christa Kondziola and Nicole Tran

Worship music Senior High Youth and congregation

Scripture reading I John 4:7-12 Justin Zerger

Reflections on a week of service at Rehoboth, New Mexico
Dawn Yoder Harms: introduction
Jonah Schloneger and Jonah Hodge: service in the community (VBS)
Emma Claassen and Alahna Wheat: service at Rehoboth Christian
School
Ben Gering, Simon Hodge, and Caleb Koontz: free time adventures
Bethany and Tim Schrag: reflections on the week

Photo collage: compiled by Ben Gering

RESPONDING IN FAITH

*Hymn *Make me a channel of your peace* **STJ 56**

Kingdom report Preparing to welcome Bethel College students
Dawn Yoder Harms

Prayer of God's people Susan Jantzen

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 *Oh, that I had a Thousand Voices* Burkhardt

*Dedication hymn *Praise God, the Source of life* **HWB 95**

*Dedication prayer

SENDING

*Sending hymn *Thuma mina* **HWB 434**
Bethany Schrag, vocal leader; Jonah Schloneger, percussion

*Benediction

*Benediction response

*Postlude *All the Glory Never Ending! Alleluia!* Krentz Organ

*Please stand in body or in spirit

HWB = *Hymnal: A Worship Book* (in rack)
STS= *Sing the Story* (in rack) **STJ**=*Sing the Journey* (at end of bench)

We light the Christ candle to welcome God's presence among us. Sent out from worship, we carry the light of Christ with us into the world.

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).

The Ice Cream Social for Bethel College students will be on a Monday this year, August 27. We will welcome your dessert bars or cookies once again. Details will be forth coming.

The Kidron Bethel Parkinson's Support Group will meet in Menno Hall Aug. 7, 2 pm. Several brief inspirational videos will be viewed followed by small group discussion. All are invited.

Camp Mennoscah : online: campmennoscah.org or 620-297-3290

- **Camp Mennoscah's Annual Camp Sing** will be Aug. 12, 6:30 pm at Hesston Mennonite Church. It's a time to celebrate 70 years of camp and a summer with over 600 campers !
- **Mental Health Spiritual Retreat** Sept. 2-3, for individuals affected by mental illness, including family members and friends. Register online at campmennoscah.org or call us at 620-297-3290 for a brochure.

Mark your calendars for the 2018 Women's and Girl's Retreat (3rd grade and older) at Camp Mennoscah, *Be Brave, Be Bold, Be You!* Sept. 7-9. Rachel Ringenberg Miller, pastor of Shalom Mennonite, Newton, will be the featured speaker. Registration forms are due Aug. 27.

The Mennonite Central Committee Flatlander Bike Ride will be Sept. 15, starting at the MCC office, 121 E. 30th, North Newton. The event is to raise funds for an MCC water development project in Guatemala, with rides of 35, 45, or 65 miles and a shorter family ride. Brochures are on the bulletin board or the MCC website: mcc.org/get-involved/events/mcc-flatlander-bicycle-ride where you can also register. To contribute to this MCC project, make check payable to MCC with "Flatlander Bike Ride" on the memo line and send to MCC, PO Box 235, North Newton, KS, 67117.

Invitation for peace witness: Western District Conference recently learned that the National Commission on Military, National and Public Service, an independent federal agency, is conducting a **review of military selective service registration** in the U.S. The agency invites public comment through Sept. 30, online or at public meetings. For more information see <http://inspire2serve.gov/news-events/national-commission-military-national-and-public-service-announces-locations-public>. This is an opportunity for people of faith to witness for peace and advocate for alternatives to war and military service. For talking points, contact the Center on Conscience and War at 202-483-2220 or <http://centeronconscience.org/co/conscientious-objection-and-the-draft/353-commission-on-military-national-and-public-service.html>.

Come to MennoGrass at Tabor Mennonite Church Park, 891 N. Chisholm Trail, Newton, for a fun evening of food, fellowship and music, Aug. 26, 5:30 pm (supper served) and music 6-8 pm. There is no cost for the event, but bring lawn chairs if you have them. Musical groups are Hopeful Blues and Smoky Valley Bluegrass Band. Questions, contact Tabor (620-367-2318) or email (tabor@tabormennonite.org).

The Next Week at BCMC: August 5—August 12, 2018

Sunday, August 5, 2018

10:30 am Fellowship Time in the Gathering Place

10:50 am Faith Formation—Visitors welcome!

- **During the Sunday School hour** delegates from BCMC to Western District Conference will share from the WDC Assembly, July 27-29. We will gather in the sanctuary.

• **Sunday School for children and youth is on hiatus until August 19.**

- Agape—Fellowship Hall
- Bible Study—Rm 14—On hiatus for the summer
- Catacombs—Rm B5—On hiatus for the summer
- Fellowship—Rm B7
- Fine Arts—Rm 24
- Issues & Christianity—Rm 23
- Mosaic—Rm 20—Sermon reflection and other current topics
- Open Circle—Rm 21—Worship reflection and response
- Seekers—Rm 28
- Sojourners—Chapel—On hiatus for the summer

Monday, August 6

2:30 pm BCMC worship DVD—Kidron Bethel Health Care

7:00 pm Facilities Committee—Fellowship Hall

Tuesday, August 7

9:00 am Newsletter editorial team meeting—Rm 14

12:45 pm BCMC worship DVD—Kidron Bethel Assisted Living

2:30 pm Caregivers Support Group—Rm 14

Wednesday, August 8

9:00 am Gifts Discernment Committee—Rm 23

10:00 am Bulletin announcement deadline

6:00 pm Faith Formation Commission—Rm B7

7:15 pm Junior Sunday school teacher orientation—Fellowship Hall

Thursday, August 9

6:30 pm Search Committee—Rm 14

Friday, August 10

5:00 pm Wedding rehearsal in sanctuary

Saturday, August 11

8:00 am Youthful Men's Coffee at Mojo's on Bethel College Campus

3:00 pm Wedding in sanctuary

Sunday, August 12

9:30 am Worship with sermon by Kathy Neufeld Dunn; music by Karen Schlabaugh

10:30 am Fellowship Time in the Gathering Place

10:50 am Faith Formation—Debbie Schmidt and Daagya Dick from Shalom Mennonite Church

We offer sympathy to Mary Ann and Hugo Boschmann on the death of Mary Ann's sister, Jane (Krehbiel) Kaufman of Pretty Prairie who died July 30. Memorial and celebration of life service was held in South Hutchinson August 3.

We offer sympathy to Laura Ann Schrag and her family on the death of her son, Darin Schrag, July 28, San Antonio, TX. A private memorial service will be held at a later date.

We offer sympathy to Bill and Susie Swartley and their family on the death of Bill's sister, Janet Goshow, Souderton, PA, Aug. 1. The memorial service is Aug. 5 at Blooming Glen Mennonite Church, Blooming Glen, PA.

We offer sympathy to Marion Deckert, Alice Deckert (Michael McGrath), Alan Deckert (Ulla), Harvey and Alison Hiebert and their extended families on the death of Lois Deckert, Aug. 2, Wesley Medical Center, Wichita. A date for the memorial service will be announced later.

Please be in prayer for those receiving medical care this week: Elsie Flaming, St. Francis Hospital, Wichita.

The Witness Commission invites you to join us as we welcome Debbie Schmidt and Daagya Dick, members of Shalom Mennonite Church's Sanctuary Ministry Team, to our Sunday School hour next Sunday, Aug. 12. They will share about their congregation's efforts to provide sanctuary for undocumented immigrants, what their objectives are and how BCMC or other congregations might help. Join us in the sanctuary.

As part of the Bethel College orientation, all new students (around 100 guests) will be attending our church service Aug. 19. As a welcome to BCMC, the Hospitality Commission is hosting a new student brunch during the Sunday School hour. **We need your help!** Please consider donating either a 9 x 13 egg casserole, a 9 x 13 coffee cake, 12 muffins, or ready to serve fruit for 10 people. A signup sheet is in back of the sanctuary today and Aug. 12. Thanks! ~ *Hospitality Commission*

What is our purpose as a congregation? The church board invites your response to a proposed statement of common purpose that seeks to describe what unites and drives our activities. The drafted statement reads: *Our faith in a God of love leads us to follow Jesus in doing justice, loving mercy, and walking humbly with God.* Read a related article in the July-August newsletter and share your reactions and comments at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/VRPWQ7T> by August 19. Hard copies are available near the church mailboxes. You can place completed forms in the box in the Gathering Place. All BCMC members and friends are encouraged to participate. Thank you!

The Faith Formation Commission is still searching for a few more teachers and helpers to work with an exciting group of 3rd and 4th grade students for the 2018-2019 Sunday School year. If you think that you might be interested in making a big difference in the lives of young people, and could give one or two Sundays per month, please reach out to Adam Robb, chair of Faith Formation, to express interest. Thank you!

Bethel College Host Family Program: At registration for the fall semester there are always more requests for a host family than there are host families available. Consider this opportunity and call Bethany Charlsen in the BC Student Life Office with your questions (316-284-5324).

BCMC men of all ages are invited to the 16th annual campout at Walnut Grove Campground, Harvey County Park West, Fri. eve. to Sat. mid-morning, Aug. 24-25. Come simply to fellowship, eat together and relax with others. Attend on your own, or with a son(s) or friend(s). Arrive Fri. 6:30 pm or after. Bring your own meat plus a side dish to share around 7:30 pm. If staying overnight (optional), bring your own camping gear and breakfast food to share Sat. am. For more info contact Dave Linscheid, 316-727-6967, dave.linscheid@gmail.com.

Within the coming weeks, 1500-2000 families are expected to be released from detention. MCC is working with local partners to support families with locally purchased grocery gift cards, clothing and housing assistance. Checks made out to MCC with "Central States Immigration" in the memo line will go directly to support this response. Checks should be sent to MCC U.S., PO Box 500, Akron, PA 17501.

Mennonite Church USA invites you to Learn, Pray, Join for Immigration Justice. Register for the webinar on Aug. 13, join in churchwide prayer on Sept. 23 and support work for immigration justice at mennoniteusa.org/IJ.

The installation for Glen Guyton as the incoming executive director of MC USA will be Aug. 18, 2-4 pm at College Mennonite Church in Goshen, IN. All are invited. A livestream will be available for viewing online at <http://collegemennonite.org/watch-online/>.

Everence will hold a workshop, Aug. 7, 6:30 pm, Social Security and retirement income planning, covering when to begin taking Social Security, risks that can impact your savings and strategies to help your income last throughout retirement. Workshops presented by Everence staff at the Everence office, 3179 N. Main St., North Newton. Reserve a spot soon by contacting Michelle Ramer at (316) 283-3800; (877) 467-7294