

Frauenkirche, Dresden, Germany

Bethel College Mennonite Church July 7, 2019

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GATHERING

Lighting of the Christ candle

Prelude Love Divine, All Loves Excelling (arr. Joel Raney)

Be Still, My Soul (Sibelius/Berry) Katie Hoody, piano

The prelude invites us into a time of silence as we open ourselves to God's presence among us.

Call to worship, prayer Esther Kreider Eash

*Hymn of praise Built on the rock

HWB 309

HWB 7

Here, O Lord, your servants gather

(children come forward during hymn)

LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

Children's conversation Jeanette Stucky

Worship music Matthew Schloneger

Scripture readings Vern Preheim

Psalm 80:1-15, 19 Psalm 4:1-8

Song of Response Lead me, Lord HWB 538

(first time, women; second time, men)

Sermon Loyalty Susan Jantzen

RESPONDING IN FAITH

*Hymn This is my Song (insert)

The Next Week at BCMC: July 7—July 14, 2019

Sunday, July 7, 2019

10:50 am Faith Formation

- Senior High students—Room 22
- Agape—Fellowship Hall
- Bible Study, Catacombs—On summer hiatus
- 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—Can we keep our gains? Jim Jantzen will speak
- Sojourners—Chapel—Future planning discussion

Monday, July 8

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

Tuesday, July 9

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

7:00 pm Worship Commission—Rm 23

Wednesday, July 10

10 am Bulletin announcement deadline

5:00 pm Safe Sanctuaries Task Force Group—Rm 14

Thursday, July 11

7:00 pm Church Board—Rm 14

7:00 pm Finance Committee—Rm B7

Saturday, July 13

9:00 am to 5:00 pm Family reunion in the Fellowship Hall

Sunday, July 14

Mennonite Church USA Convention reporting by the Senior High Youth; music by Neil Smucker; Adult delegates to the Mennonite Church USA Convention will report during the Sunday school hour

Mark your calendars for a farewell reception for Pastor Susan Jantzen on <u>Sunday</u>, <u>July 28</u>, in Fellowship Hall, after the worship service.

Staff: Monica Lichti will be on vacation July 11 and 12.

June 30 at BCMC Attendance 233. General Fund \$7,983; Living Stones \$870; *The Mennonite* \$703; Columbarium Fund \$100; Coffee \$37.

Congratulations to George and Jeanette Leary and Megan Leary on the birth of their granddaughter and niece, Magdalena Rose Graber Leary to Kevin and Naomi Leary on June 23. Kevin and Naomi live and work at Camp Friedenswald, Cassopolis, Mi. The rose this morning is for all of the Learys to celebrate the birth of Magdalena!

We offer sympathy to the family of Berta Miller. Berta died June 29 at Newton Medical Center. A date for the memorial service will be announced later.

We offer sympathy to Janet Stucky on the death of her mother, Katherine Harder (husband Lawrence) of Mountain Lake, MN, June 30. The memorial service will be July 7. Janet has completed her mission service with Mercy Ship in Guinea, Africa. She will begin mission service in hospitality at the International Guest House in Washington, DC later this summer. Her current address is: P. O. Box 525, Mountain Lake, MN 56159.

Getting to Know You: The Hospitality Commission is requesting your help in welcoming Renee Reimer as our Associate Pastor for Faith Formation. In your mailbox, there is a short survey on white cardstock. Please complete and place your survey in the white box by the mailboxes <u>by August 4.</u> The completed surveys will be bound into a booklet and given to Renee on August 11 (the date for Renee's installation at BCMC). If you have any questions, feel free to contact any member of the Hospitality Commission: *Nadine Peters, Kathryn Simmons, Marilyn Stucky, Barb Voran, Doris Whillock*.

ATTENTION WOMEN: Financial information for BCMC Women's Fellowship Members and friends: Our budget has \$2,225 left to pay by the end of December. We currently have less than \$600 in our account. We use all of our September and December meetings' offerings, and the budget portion of our individual circle offerings to meet this budget. Additional contributions would be welcome at any time. Please place your contributions in Lois Goertzen's mail box.

Connor Born will be a volunteer with Mennonite Voluntary Service, beginning in August, as the Restoration Project Manager with the Rio Grande Headwaters Restoration Project in Alamosa, CO. A fundraiser was held June 12 to support Connor and raised \$865 towards the additional \$1,000 (above the \$2,000 to be contributed as per BCMC policy, to meet the \$3,000 suggested by MVS for Connor's support.) Anything contributed over the \$1,000 will go into the Education and Service Scholarship Fund for future service workers from BCMC. If you wish to contribute, make your checks out to BCMC with the BCMC Education and Service Scholarship Fund (ESSC Fund) on the memo line.

The city of North Newton will be overlaying and sealing the streets around the church starting Monday, July 8, and continuing July 9 and 10. They request that there be no cars parked on the street those days. If you have to come to the church for some reason, you will have to park in the church's parking lot on the east side of the church. We would strongly recommend that you delay your trip to the church until after July 10 because it will be a messy few days with all of the oil and gravel and big trucks!

You may recall that Rosemary Moyer died June 26 at Kidron Bethel Village. The memorial service for Rosemary will be <u>Wed., July 17, 11 am</u> at BCMC.

Last call to renew your subscription to *The Mennonite*, a monthly magazine featuring voices from across the Anabaptist-Mennonite world. If you sign up with the congregation's plan, the discounted rate is \$37. If interested in joining the group plan, contact Monica Lichti in the church office <u>as soon as possible</u>. Drop your check in the offering with "The Mennonite" in the memo line; bring your check to the office; call the office, 316-283-3667, or email office@bethelcollegemennonitechurch.org indicating that you would like to renew/subscribe to *The Mennonite*.

Deb Gering coordinated the K through 8th **grade summer Sunday School** during the month of June. Interviews each Sunday allowed us to learn about people in the congregation. It was fun, interesting and just good to be together. Faith Formation thanks Deb and all who participated!

We now have an opening for <u>one more delegate</u> to represent BCMC at the Western District Conference Annual Meeting July 26-27 at Bethel College. A big thank you to the 17 who are already confirmed. If you have been "on the fence" whether or not to attend this annual meeting of Western District Mennos, please don't delay. We need your input. Registration fee for delegates will be paid by BCMC. You may contact either Francis Toews, outgoing chair of Gifts Discernment Committee, or Frank Stucky, the new chair.

Kidron Bethel Village resident, Donna Friesen, and KBV Chaplain, Eric Massanari, are looking forward to facilitating an 8-part study of Fr. Richard Rohr's most recent book, *The Universal Christ*. We will be meeting on the first and third Fridays of the month, August—November, 2:30-4:00 pm in Menno Hall Chapel. Session #1 will be Fri., Aug. 2 and will cover Chapters 1 & 2. We will be placing a bulk order for books (\$16.00 each). If you would like to have a book ordered please see the sign-up sheet at the KBV Welcome Center (3001 lvy Drive) or call Eric at 316-836-4829. Please request a book before Friday, July 12 when we will be placing the order. All are welcome!

There will be a Family Festival on the Saturday evening of the Western District Conference (WDC) Annual Assembly, July 26-27 on Bethel College campus, North Newton featuring a hamburger/hotdog picnic, an inflatable bouncy house, a coffee house concert at MoJo's and more. It's open to the public, so invite your friends and neighbors! (Donations welcome at the event.) For more information, go to http://mennowdc.org/annual-assembly/

Mennonite Central Committee is collecting Immigration detainee care kits for people released from immigration detention centers. When released, they often have nothing more than the clothes on their backs. Kits contain clothing and hygiene products. Please visit mcc.org/immigrationkit for the details of what goes into the kit and how the kits will be distributed. It is one small way we can share Christ's love with our neighbors. All kit supplies should be sent to MCC Central States 121 E. 30th, PO Box 235, North Newton, KS 67117. Questions: contact MCC at 316-283-2720. (Fliers with kit details are on windowsill ledge in the Gathering Place.)

Kauffman Museum's new temporary exhibit, "Walk A Mile," an expressive arts project that features art created by EmberHope Youthville's residential children, is on display – free of charge in the outer lobby – June 29-July 22 (more of the exhibit will be on display at Carriage Factory Gallery, Newton, June 20-July 11, and the entire collection will be at Mark Arts, Wichita, Aug. 17-Sept. 14). More info: contact Michael Reinschmidt. Email: mreinschmidt@bethelks.edu or 316-283-1612.

Everence will hold Medicare workshops about the various Medicare plans and what they cover; plans that supplement Medicare; and enrollment details and deadlines. Workshops will be at the offices in North Newton, 3179 N. Main St. <u>July 8, 6:30 pm</u>, and Hutchinson, 524 E. 30th Ave., <u>July 11, 6:30 pm</u>. Space is limited. Reserve a spot soon by contacting Michelle Ramer at (316) 283-3800; (877) 467-7294 or michelle.ramer@everence.com.

Visit everence.com/youth-savings-week to learn about the annual Youth Savings Week, July 8-12. Youth Savings Week is designed to encourage children to start saving early, while teaching them the advantages of saving money for short- and long-term goals. Youth Savings week theme: The future is yours:

Picture it. Share it. Save for it! features activities that deal with thinking about youth's future and how they can save and prepare to turn those goals into reality. To encourage children to save, there is a financial incentive - when a youth makes a deposit of \$15 or more in a new or existing savings account during Youth Savings Week, Everence will deposit an additional \$5 into their account. Plus, right now our youth savings account interest rate is 4.00% APY¹— a great rate to reward saving!

Young Adult Weekend at Camp Mennoscah is Aug. 2-4. Young adults (18 and older) are invited to spend a weekend enjoying camp activities, worship, and fellowship. Attendees will share in preparing simple meals. Scholarships are available online in the registration process or contact Camp Mennoscah at 620-297-3290 for information. Register at campmennoscah.org!

Prayer of God's people Offering

Offertory Make Me a Channel of Your Peace (Temple/Holstein)

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

*Dedication hymn As rain from the clouds (verse 2 only)

STJ 40

*Dedication prayer

SENDING

*Sending hymn Lord, you give the great commission STJ 63 (verses 1, 3, and 5)

*Benediction

*Benediction response

*Postlude Psalm 19 (Marcello/Carte)

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. <u>Personal hearing devices</u> are at the north sanctuary entrance. <u>The nursery</u> at the back of the sanctuary is available during worship for families with infants and toddlers.

I'm very pleased to announce the results of last Sunday's congregational vote. With 179 "yes" and 7 "no" votes the invitation to Nathan Koontz to serve as BCMC minister of Pastoral Care was approved. Nathan has accepted the invitation. It is anticipated that Nathan will join our staff in October 2019. I thank all the persons involved in this process—the search committee, Staff Congregation Relations Committee, church staff, and the congregation for patience and support throughout this process.

~ John Waltner, BCMC Church Moderator

Prayer Requests

Mennonite Mission Network: Anne Garber Kompaoré of MMN travels around the world as a Bible-translation consultant. She is based in Burkina Faso, where she and her husband, Daniel, provide leadership for congregations and schools. Pray for an end to persecution against Christians and to terrorist attacks in the country.

Western District Conference: Pray for the WDC Gifts Discernment Committee as they conclude selection of nominees for leadership roles in WDC, and give thanks for persons who have agreed to serve in these roles.

This congregation: Pray for those experiencing transition in their living situations, work, and relationships.

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 am-12:30 pm Mon-Fri; 1:30 -5 pm Mon-Thur

Church office is closed Friday afternoons—Monica Lichti not in office 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 cell phone: 316-212-1847; Email: dawn@bethelcollegemennonitechurch.org **Bridge Associate Pastor for Faith Formation:** Susan Jantzen—Day off: Friday

Phone: 316-283-3667; cell phone: 620-877-7923; Email: sjantzen@bethelcollegemennonitechurch.org

Associate Pastor for Pastoral Care:

Office/Facilities Manager: Monica Lichti, office@bethelcollegemennonitechurch.org

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: