



Bethel College Mennonite Church
August 25, 2019 — Worship 9:30 am

**Our faith in the God of love leads us by the power of the spirit, to follow Jesus
 in doing justice, loving mercy, and walking humbly with God.**

GATHERING

Lighting the Christ Candle

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

Prelude Two settings by John Behnke *Come, Christians, Join to Sing*
Sing Praise to God, the Highest Good Karen Unruh, organ

Call to worship, prayer Renee Reimer

*Hymn of praise *I'll praise my Maker* **HWB 166**
 (children come forward during hymn)

LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

Children's conversation Esther Kreider Eash

Scripture reading Micah 6:1-8 Andrew Thiesen

Readers' Theatre Paraphrase of Micah 6:1-8
 Adam Kroeker, Kendrick Weaver, Natalie Graber, Annie Carlson

Song *Micah* (Patricia Shelly) Insert
 Tim Hodge will sing the verses; Congregation sing the refrain

Sermon Patricia Shelly

RESPONDING IN FAITH

*Hymn *What does the Lord require* **HWB 409**

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 *Will You Let Me Be Your Servant* (Burkhardt)
 Those with August birthdays come forward for a blessing.
 Please bring "Sing the Story" song book

*Dedication hymn *I will stand in the congregation* **STS 113**

*Dedication prayer

SENDING

*Sending hymn *Guide my feet* **HWB 546**

*Benediction

*Benediction response

*Postlude

*All who are able are invited to stand

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.**

Pray for those receiving hospital care recently: Jim Soth, Newton Medical
 Center; Dorothy Harder and Louise Thieszen, Newton Medical Center Inpatient
 Rehabilitation.

We offer sympathy to Margaret Hiebert and Harvey and Alison Hiebert and
 their families, on the death of Margaret's husband, Harvey's brother, John
 Hiebert, Aug. 17. The memorial service will be Sept. 1, 3 pm at BCMC.

We offer sympathy to Keith Brown and Cliff Brown and their families on the
 death of their father, Roland Brown, Aug. 16. The memorial service will be
Sept. 14, 11 am, at BCMC. There will be a visitation today, Aug. 25, at Pe-
 tersen Funeral Home, 2-5 pm, with the family present 2-4 pm.

**An orientation to the congregation and reception of new members is being
 planned for this fall.** If you are interested in deepening your connection to
 Bethel College Mennonite Church by becoming a member, please be in touch
 with Pastor Dawn Yoder Harms.

Micah Song (What Does the Lord Require?)



English: God has shown you, O peo-ple what is good. And
 Arabic: Math-a ya - sur - ru Rab-ba ya in - san. Wa



what does the Lord re - quire of you? But to
 math - a yat - lu - bhū lla - hu min - na? Sun'u



do just - ly, love mer - cy, walk hum - bly with your God.
 lad - lee, hubbu rah - ma, ta - wa - du'on ma' - a - llah.



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God.
 llah.

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Sunday, Aug. 25, 2019

10:30 am Fellowship time in the Gathering Place

10:50 am Faith Formation

- **2 & 3 year olds**—Room B6
- **K through 4th grade** in Room B3; **5–8th grade** in Room 26
- **Senior High students**—Room 22
- **Agape**—Fellowship Hall
- **Bible Study**—Will resume meeting on September 1
- **Catacombs**—Will resume meeting on September 1
- **Fellowship**—Room B7
- **Fine Arts**—Room 24
- **Issues & Christianity**—Room 23
- **Mosaic**—Room 20—Sermon reflection and other current topics
- **Open Circle**—Room 21—Worship reflection and response
- **Seekers**—Room 21
- **Sojourners**—KIPCOR—*Tree of Life Session 4*, Stacey Rhoades, presenter

Monday, August 26

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

7-9 pm BC/BCMC Ice Cream Social—Bethel College Green between Haury Hall and Fine Arts Center

Tuesday, August 27

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

Wednesday, August 28

8:00 am Staff worship planning —Rm 14

10:00 am Bulletin announcement deadline

6:30 pm Cherub Choir—Rm 24 and Junior Choir—Rm 28

7:00 pm Senior High Youth **7:15 pm** Menno Ringers—Rm B7

7:30 pm Chancel Choir—Sanctuary **8:30 pm** Chancel Bells—Rm B7

Thursday, August 29

5:30—6:30 pm Community Playschool Open House—Playschool Rooms

Sunday, September 1

9:30 am Worship with sermon by Dawn Yoder Harms

10:30 am Fellowship Time in the Gathering Place **10:50 am** Faith Formation

3:00 pm Memorial service for John Hiebert—Sanctuary

Save the date for the first gathering for all 2019-2020 Sr. High Youth on Wed., Sept. 4 from 6:30-8:30 pm. Watch for more details coming soon!

There will be a parent meeting held during the Sunday School hour Sept. 8 in Fellowship Hall. This meeting is for all parents and guardians with youth and children (birth through 12th grade) in Sunday school, Wednesday night activities, and in the senior high youth group.

Welcome visitors and friends! May you sense God's presence at BCMC. Personal hearing devices are at the north sanctuary entrance. The nursery at the back of the sanctuary is available during worship for families with infants and toddlers.

We are very grateful for the ways, you, our BCMC friends, blessed us on our 60th wedding anniversary celebration. Thank you so much,
Al and Nadine Peters

Thank you for all the support we have felt—the cards, meals, expressions of empathy. We felt your love and caring throughout Eleanor’s last weeks. We appreciate, and are grateful for our community of faith. ~ *Don Kaufman family and Nancy Hilty* **Don Kaufman shares this poem:** William Stafford tells it

The Way It is

There’s a thread you follow,
it goes among things that change. But doesn’t change.
People wonder about what you are pursuing.
You have to explain about the thread.
But it is hard for others to see.
While you hold it you can’t get lost.
Tragedies happen; people get hurt
Or die; and you suffer and get old.
Nothing you do can stop time’s unfolding.
You don’t ever let go of the thread.

The Ice Cream Social for Bethel College students is Mon., Aug. 26 at 7 pm on the lawn between Haury Hall and the Fine Arts Center. An open invitation will be made to all Bethel students. Ice cream and toppings will be provided. We would appreciate cookies, bars, and cakes. But more, we encourage members of BCMC to participate in *whatever* way you feel comfortable, by making deserts, talking with students, or just sitting back and taking in the relationships being built. Thank you in advance for your part! ~ *Brad Kohlman and the Bethel College Relations Team*

Community Playschool has an urgent need for a teacher's helper for the coming school year which begins Sept. 3. The class in need meets Tuesday and Thursday from 9-11 am. If you are interested in this volunteer opportunity, please contact Jeanette Leary at 316-217-2548 for details as soon as possible! Thank you for considering this important outreach in our community.

Come to Mennonite Central Committee, 121 E. 30th, North Newton, to give thanks for the generous gifts that made a new storage building possible and to bless the ongoing work that takes place at MCC by dedicated volunteers. **New Storage Building Dedication is Sept. 4, 10 am.** Donuts and coffee will be served. Call 316-283-2720 with questions.

Tabor Mennonite Church, Newton, invites everyone to their church park, to-day, 5:30 pm for their annual MennoGrass event. Supper provided. Music by Hopeful Blues and the Flannelbacks begins at 6. Please bring table service and lawn chairs.

The 2019 Women & Girls Retreat is Sept. 6-8 at Camp Mennoscah. Schedule and registration forms are available at <http://mennowdc.org/women-girls-retreat/> or on the church bulletin board. Retreat open to women and girls grade 3 and older. Register by Aug. 26.

The Mental Health Spiritual Retreat at Camp Mennoscah will be Sept. 1-2 with the theme of “Living Peacefully”. Retreat is for individuals affected by mental illness, including family and friends. Register: campmennoscah.org.

The next Work & Play Day at Camp Mennoscah is Sept. 14. Join us for service, a simple lunch, and some free time in the afternoon (your choice). Register online at campmennoscah.org or call 620-297-3290.

The Mennonite Central Committee Flatlander Bike Ride will be Sept. 21, starting at the MCC office, 121 E. 30th, North Newton. The event is to raise funds for an MCC water development project in Nigeria, 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.

KIPCOR’s 2019-2020 Film Series begins with “Lost Angels: Skid Row is My Home”, Sept. 8, 3 pm in Bethel College’s Krehbiel Auditorium. The film examines the plight of the homeless through eight individuals trying to make a life within their Los Angeles community of homelessness. Post film discussion led by James Wilson, Executive Director of the New Hope Shelter in Newton, and by a member of the Wichita Police Department’s Homeless Outreach Team.

Everence® will hold an all-inclusive retirement planning workshop on Medicare, Social Security and retirement income planning, Sept. 7, 9 to 11:30 am. Presented by Everence staff at Everence Financial Advisors, 3179 N. Main St., North Newton. Reserve your spot soon by contacting Michelle Ramer at 316-283-3800, 877-467-7294 or michelle.ramer@everence.com.

August 18 at BCMC Attendance 361. Gen Fund \$9,923.49; Living Stones \$145; Media Supplies \$25; Transf-Funeral \$363.66; Coffee Fund \$12.25; Women’s Fellowship \$100; Rosemary Moyer Mem. \$50; Eleanor Kaufman Mem. \$25.

Prayer Requests

Mennonite Mission Network: MMN requests prayer for Benin where post-election violence has killed more than a dozen people. Pray for peace and for the well-being of all citizens as the economy worsens. Pray also for Mission Network partners – Benin Bible Institute, Bethesda Hospital, and *La Casa Grande children's* village.

Western District Conference: Give thanks for the Tabor Mennonite Church congregation as they dedicate a new fellowship hall today, and for pastor Stephen Wilcox at First Mennonite Church in Halstead, KS, as they celebrate his ordination this afternoon.

This congregation: Pray for BCMC's Faith Formation Commission, children's Sunday School teachers and helpers, Club leaders, Senior High youth sponsors, and children's choir directors as they tend to the spiritual nurture of our children, youth, and adults.. FFC members: Megan Kohlman (chair), Rebecca Schloneger, Mary Ellen Hodge, Lois Brubacher, Jeanette Stucky, Pastor Renee Reimer (staff liaison).

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–12:00 pm Mon–Fri; 1:00 –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

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Associate Pastor for Faith Formation: Renee Reimer, Day off: Friday—Phone: 316-283-3667; cell phone: 605-212-0081; Email: renee@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:** Suzy Burch

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

Junior Choir Director: William Eash **Cherub Choir Director:** Dawn Yoder Harms, sub.

The New Rules of Money: Navigate the new economy like a pro! Everence® will host this informative webinar Sept. 10, 2 and 8 pm. Participants will learn about new resources to manage debt, the impact of credit scoring, and how to avoid ever-changing scams. For more information, or to register, visit www.everence.com/national or contact Melissa Short at 800-348-7468 ext. 3392 or melissa.short@everence.com

Africa Inter-Mennonite Mission, a partner of Mennonite Mission Network, will host an event Aug. 25, 6:30 pm at First Mennonite Church, 429 E. 1st St. Come for pie and ice-cream, and hear reports on ministries in Africa. Stan Graber of Hope for Congo, Chuck Regier of Congo Transport-to-Market Bicycle Project; and Rod Hollinger-Janzen, Africa Inter-Mennonite Mission Executive Coordinator, will share news about various efforts to accompany churches in Africa, including the vision for training literacy teachers for each of the DR Congo's 1400 Mennonite congregations. An offering will be received in support of these ministries. RSVP at 574-612-6091 or rod@aimmintl.org - or just show up.

Life Enrichment for Aug. 28 (Bethel College Fine Arts, Krehbiel Auditorium)

9:30 am *On the road with Larry Hatteberg*—Larry Hatteberg

10:35 am *On the road* continued

11:30 am *Song writing and performance*—Doug Everingham

Join Mennonite Church USA staff, 718 N Main St. Newton, Sept 4, 2-3 pm to hear from Mennonite Mission Network International Service Workers Mark & Mary Hurst share about their work with the Anabaptist Association of Australia and New Zealand, where they have served since 1990.

The Kansas Institute for Peace and Conflict Resolution (KIPCOR) at Bethel College is organizing a series of free public events, Sept. 8-22, on campus and in the Newton community, in connection with the 2019 Campaign Nonviolence Week of Action. Activities include film screenings, “swords into plowshares” demonstrations by Colorado Springs-based RawTools, and a lecture by Palwasha Kakar. See kipcor.org or call 316-284-5217 for more information.

Mennonite Central Committee is celebrating their 100th anniversary and hoping to collect 6500 comforters to deliver to people in need around the world. Get involved by tying a comforter Jan. 18, 2020. MCC is looking for people to host a comforter tying event in their community. Contact Kate Mast at 316-283-2720 or katemast@mcc.org for details, supplies and resources. It's more than a warm blanket – it's a message of love and compassion.