



**Bethel College Mennonite Church**  
**October 13, 2019 — Worship 9:30 am**  
**Fall Fest Sunday**

**Our faith in a 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 *Joshua* (arr. Robert Sells) Open Road  
*Amazing Grace* (arr. Keith Evans) Woven  
*Come Sunday* (arr. Alice Parker)  
Bethel College Concert Choir; William Eash, Director

Welcome, prayer Renee Reimer, BCMC Pastor

\*Hymn of praise *Come, we that love the Lord* **HWB 14**  
Christina Liu, Accompanist

**LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD**

Scripture reading Revelation 1:1-8 Beth Balzer

Reflection *Hope for the College* Jon Gering, President

Choral Response *Unclouded Day* (Shawn Kirchner) Concert Choir

Reflection *Hope for the Church* Bruce Rosario

Choral Response *Cornerstone* (Shawn Kirchner) Concert Choir

Reflection *Hope for Communities* Sheryl Wilson,  
Director KIPCOR

Hymn *My life flows on* **HWB 580**

Reflection *Hope for Creation* Adam Sigwing

Choral Response *Horizons* (Peter Louis Van Dijk) Concert Choir

**RESPONDING IN FAITH**

Prayer of God's people Peter Goerzen, Campus Pastor

Offering

Offertory *The Lamb* (Kim André Arnesen ) Concert Choir

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

Dedication prayer Renee Reimer

\*Hymn *Praise God from whom* **HWB 118**

**SENDING**

\*Sending words Renee Reimer

Choral Benediction *The Lord bless you and keep you* (Lutkin)  
Concert Choir

\*Postlude Christina Liu

\*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.**

**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.

**Interested in working together to care for our earth?** Visit the *Climate Change Challenge* table in the Gathering Space!

### **Woven Members**

Annie Carlson, Polly Carlson, Charlie Gibson, Madison Hofer-Holdeman, Bethany Powl, Addie Regier, Julianna Schrag, Allison Weaver, Kaci Wilson

### **Open Road Members**

Jesse Balzer, Dominick Geddert, Ronald Grey, Lucas Hofer-Holdeman, Jerod Kaufmann, Zack Shima, Luke Unruh, Kendrick Weaver, Bryce Wilson, David Wullf-Cochrane

### **Program notes for *Horizons* (Peter Louis Van Dijk)**

"In a cave, somewhere in the Western Cape region of South Africa, is a well-documented San (Bushman) painting of a Dutch ship, resplendent with flags and sails, rounding the Cape. The painting dates back to the early 1700's. Sadly, the very people the San saw as gods, in terms of stature and relative opulence, were to cause their demise. The eland (a large antelope) represented more than just food and took on an almost supernatural significance, while the rain was seen, supernaturally, to be either male or female depending on its intensity."

Text (a memorial for all lost indigenous people)

#### Refrain

Sleep my spring-bok baby, sleep for me my spring-bok child, when morning comes I'll go out hunting for you are hungry and thirsty.

Hai! young moon, when the sun rises you must speak to the Rain, charm her with herbs and honeycomb, O speak to her that I may drink, this little thing, that I may drink

She will come across the dark sky: mighty Raincow, sing your song for me that I may find you on the far horizon.

Sleep my spring-bok baby, sleep for me my spring-bok child, when morning comes I'll go out hunting for you are hungry and thirsty.

Hai! Hunting Star, when the sun rises you must blind with your light the Eland's eyes, O blind his eyes that I may eat, this little thing that I may eat. He will come across the red sands; mighty Eland, dance your dance for me that I may find you on the far horizon.

Sleep my spring-bok baby, sleep for me my spring-bok child, when morning comes they'll come a-hunting for they are hungry and thirsty.

They will come across the waters; mighty saviors in their sailing ships, and they will show us new and far horizons.  
and they came across the waters, god in galleons, bearing bows of steel, then they killed us on the far horizon.

### **The Next Week at BCMC: October 13—October 20, 2019**

**Sunday, October 13, 2019—Fall Fest Sunday—No Sunday School today**

#### **Monday, October 14**

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

#### **Tuesday, October 15—Women's Fellowship Circle Meetings**

**2:00 pm** Circle 2—Reitha Klaassen's, 1116 Broadway, Newton

**3:00 pm** Circle 1—Kidron Bethel Sun Room

**7:00 pm** Circle 3—Carol Peter's, 2917 Wildwood Way, North Newton

**7:00 pm** Circle 4—Lenore Waltner's, 20 Lakewood Circle, North Newton

**7:00 pm** Worship Commission—Rm 23

#### **Wednesday, October 16**

**8:00 am** Staff worship planning —Rm 14

**10:00 am** Bulletin announcement deadline

**6:00 pm** Wednesday supper—Fellowship Hall

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

**7:00 pm** Senior High Youth

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

#### **Saturday, October 19**

**10:00 am** Inurnment for Ruth Baughman Unrau—Columbarium

#### **Sunday, October 20**

**9:30 am** Worship with sermon by Nathan Koontz; music by Junior and Cherub Choirs

**10:30 am** Fellowship in the Gathering Place

**10:50 am** Faith Formation

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**Receiving medical care this week:** Kent Sheriff at Via Christi-St. Francis, Wichita.

**You are invited to join area faith leaders** to organize the performance of a powerful play by Alison Brookins entitled *We Own This Now*. The play is about the Doctrine of Discovery and looks at love of land, loss of land and what it means to "own" something. The organizational meeting will be Mon., Oct. 28, 12 noon until 1:30 pm at Mennonite Church of the Servant, 2401 N. Woodland in Wichita. The week of April 19 – 25, 2020 has been reserved for Kansas showings. Besides Wichita, performances are planned for Manhattan, Topeka or Lawrence and Kansas City. The play will benefit the Kanza Heritage Society. *We Own This Now* provides a starting point for further conversation: What does it mean to "own" something? What is the relationship between "owning" and "taking" and what is the relationship between "ownership" and (taking) responsibility?

**The church office will be closed Mon., Oct. 14; open mornings only Oct. 15-18 while Monica Lichti is on vacation.** Pastors Dawn Yoder Harms and Renee Reimer will be out of the office on Oct. 15 and 16 while they attend Doctrine of Discovery training.

**A new BCMC Bereavement Support Group is being formed** to provide support for those who have experienced the loss of a loved one. The group, facilitated by Orlyn Zehr and Pastor Nathan Koontz, will have its first gathering Oct 17, 2:30-4 pm, at BCMC, room 14. If you have interest in participating, please contact Orlyn Zehr or Pastor Nathan: nathan@bethelcollegemennonitechurch.org

**The BCMC Witness Commission encourages you** to contact your congressperson concerning the ongoing situation at our country's southern border. Copies of the Churchwide Statement on the Abuse of Child Migrants, adopted at the recent Mennonite Church USA Convention in Kansas City, are available if you wish to include in your letters. A sample letter for you to view as well as congressional contact information is available under the balcony. A collection box for donations for MCC detainee kits is also located under the balcony. Lists for the kits can be found with the collection box.

**Goshen College Parables will be in concert at Shalom Mennonite Church**, 800 E. 1st, Newton, Oct. 15, 7 pm. Parables is a student ensemble whose performances combine music, drama, and storytelling into a worshipful experience. Concert is free and open to the public.

**Join Mennonite Central Committee for a South Texas Borderlands learning tour**, Nov. 3-8. Connect with people who have lived the immigrant experience, visit Mennonite churches on the border, hear perspectives from south of the border, and visit a detention center. The cost for the trip is \$700, plus airfare. Please contact: anahinojosa@mcc.org or jordanpenner@mcc.org for more information. **Open Circle Sunday School Class is offering \$200** to help with expenses for someone at BCMC to join this learning tour. Contact Jeanette Stucky if interested.

**It's Supper Time at BCMC!** Oct. 16, 6 pm, in Fellowship Hall. To make reservations for supper, complete this form and place in the offering, sign the form on the bulletin board, or email the office by 10 am Mon., Oct. 14. Cost is \$5/person or \$15/family per meal. **Please bring your own table service.**

**Meal reservation(s) for October 16**

Number attending meal \_\_\_\_ Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**There will be an inurnment service for Ruth Unrau** at the BCMC Peace Garden on Sat., Oct 19, 10 am. Ruth died June 20, 2018, in Bluffton, Ohio. Her family welcomes Ruth's BCMC and community friends to join them for this service.

**The Mennonite Central Committee mobile meat canner** will be at the MCC Center in North Newton Oct. 29-31. Envelopes are in your mailboxes if you wish to make a contribution to meat canning. Lowell Stucky is under the balcony today with sign-up sheets for volunteers to work on the canner. There are also sit-down jobs for the label application process. ~ Lowell Stucky, BCMC Meat Canning representative

**Life Enrichment for Oct. 16 (Bethel College Fine Arts, Krehbiel Auditorium)**

**9:30 am** *Off the beaten path*, Jeff Heidel

**10:35 am** *I smell smoke-my work in wildland fires*, Deon Steinle

**11:30 am** *Wichita's best-kept secret*, Lyndzee Rhine

**Scrapbook and Crafts Retreats at Camp Mennoscah** are Nov. 1-3 and Nov. 15-17. Register online at [campmennoscah.org](http://campmennoscah.org).

**The annual Instituto Bíblico Anabautista (IBA) benefit dinner** will be Oct. 18, 6 pm at First Mennonite Church, Newton. A smothered pork burrito dinner will be served (by donation.) (Chicken and Meatless burritos available by request), followed by a short program with greetings from Marco Güete, Director. IBA is a program of Mennonite Education Agency's Hispanic Ministries for Leadership Development and Pastoral Education. Questions, contact Violeta Ajquejay Suastegui at 316-281-4342 or VioletaA@MennoniteEducation.org

**Doctrine of Discovery training** will be Oct. 14, 7-9 pm at Bethel College Memorial Hall; Oct 15, 9 am-5 pm and Oct 16, 9 am-4:30 pm at MCC Central States office. Mennonite Central Committee is committed to the ongoing work of education to engage the legacy of colonialism and understand the intersecting history between Native people and European settlers. The training will introduce an analysis of the Doctrine of Discovery - the theological, philosophical and legal framework established by the Christian Church that gave European governments moral and legal rights to invade and seize Indigenous lands and dominate Indigenous peoples. Training includes *The Loss of Turtle Island* - a participatory learning experience. Registration: [https://mcc\\_us.formstack.com/forms/dod\\_training](https://mcc_us.formstack.com/forms/dod_training).

**The annual Swiss Mennonite and Historical Association banquet** is at the Pine Village Wellness Center, Moundridge, Nov. 7, 6 pm and features Patricia Goering Smith, a graduate of Moundridge High School, who will talk about her book, *Revolution Revisited: Behind the Scenes in East Germany, 1989*. Cost of the meal is \$20 per plate payable at the door. RSVP by texting or calling Nancy Stucky, 620-532-5693, by November 2.

**Register now for the 5th biennial Worship & the Arts Symposium at Bethel College,** "Many Cultures, One Worship: A Foretaste of a Reconciled Heaven in a Broken World.," Nov. 21-23. See [www.bethelks.edu/academics/convocation-lectures/worship-arts-symposium](http://www.bethelks.edu/academics/convocation-lectures/worship-arts-symposium) for more information and online registration; **fee reduction when 3 or more members of one congregation register as a group.** Registrations requested by Nov. 11.

**Menno Simons Lecture with Alain Epp Weaver,** Oct. 27, 7 pm. The series topic is "In the Name of Christ: Missiological Reflections on Mennonite Central Committee's Past, Present and Future," with **additional lectures** Oct. 28, at 11 am and 7 pm, and Oct. 29, 7 pm; Krehbiel Auditorium, Bethel College.

**Everence has a Medicare workshop** at its office in Hutchinson, 524 E. 30th Ave., Oct. 17, 6:30 pm. Learn about Medicare plans and what they cover; supplement plans to Medicare; enrollment details and deadlines. Reserve a spot with Michelle Ramer at 316-283-3800; 877-467-7294 or [michelle.ramer@everence.com](mailto:michelle.ramer@everence.com)

**The American Association of University Women, Newton branch,** welcomes the public to join us as we host Martha Pint from the League of Women Voters of Kansas, presenting "100 Years of Women's Right to Vote: Centennial Celebration and Ways to Take Action Now" at our monthly meeting Oct. 14, 7 pm at Kidron Bethel Village, Menno Hall. (Menno Hall is the area north of the main reception area at Kidron, west of Ivy Drive.) There is no cost to attend.

**Speakers on MCC Borderlands Tour:** Mennonite Church of the Servant, 2401 N. Woodland, Wichita, invites you to a presentation on the spring tour of the U.S.-Mexican border area Oct. 18, 7 pm. On the MCC-sponsored tour, participants witnessed conditions along the border, and talked to immigration advocates. Dayle and Bill Toews are the presenters. For more information contact Pat Cameron, [patcam@southwind.net](mailto:patcam@southwind.net)

**Camp Mennoscah will be recruiting for summer staff positions** at Bethel, Hesston, McPherson and Tabor Colleges Nov. 11-14.

**Sharing With Appalachian People (SWAP)** is a program of Mennonite Central Committee Great Lakes, addressing multiple challenges of low-income families in Appalachia, including home repair and personal need. Groups of all ages are an essential component of SWAP's ministry and can now sign up for 2020. Please consider forming a group, large or small, to come and experience a week at one of the locations in West Virginia or Kentucky. For more information go to [swap.mcc.org](http://swap.mcc.org) or call Angela Maggard at 606-633-5065.

## Prayer Requests

**Mennonite Mission Network:** This week, new Mennonite Church of Congo leaders officially begin their responsibilities. MMN requests prayer for Pastor Fidele Yongo, president; Pastor Martin Musukisa, vice president; Charles Kazadi, general secretary; as they begin to serve the denomination in these new capacities.

**Western District Conference:** Give thanks for congregational leaders in churches across WDC, and pray for wisdom and joy for them as they work together with pastors to guide vision, mission and ministry.

**This congregation:** Pray for Bethel College as it seeks to prepare students, through active learning and rigorous instruction imbued with the spirit of liberal arts, to become critical thinkers and engaged global citizens.

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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](mailto:renee@bethelcollegemennonitechurch.org)

**Associate Pastor for Pastoral Care:** Nathan Koontz, Days off: Monday and Wednesday—Phone: 316-238-3667; cell phone: 316-212-4593

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**Office/Facilities Manager:** Monica Lichti, [office@bethelcollegemennonitechurch.org](mailto:office@bethelcollegemennonitechurch.org)

**Custodian:** Michael Crawford, 316-727-9840; day off Tuesday

**Music Coordinator:** Barbara Thiesen

**Menno Ringers Director and Chancel Bells Director:** Suzy Burch

**Chancel Choir Director:** William Eash **Junior and Cherub Choirs Director:** William Eash

**October 6 at BCMC** Attendance 248. General Fund \$13,377.62; Living Stones \$1,320; MCC Meat Canning \$100; Coffee \$13.50; Roland Brown Mem. \$50.