

Prayer Requests

Mennonite Church USA: Today, Mennonite Mission Network's partner, DOOR Denver, is holding its annual *Cinco de Mayo* community celebration and fundraiser. Pray for the members of DOOR's three participant churches in the city who throw this party that mixes food and entertainment from Anglo and Latino cultures to share the gospel.

Western District Conference: Pray for God's guidance for Beatrice Menn. Church, NE, in the loss of their pastor, Bob Beecher, on April 7. Pray God's comfort for Bob's wife, Cindy, and wisdom for decisions to be made.

This congregation: Pray for those in the church community experiencing grief, loss or pain, that they would recognize the strong and compassionate presence of Christ beside them.

If you would like to request prayer or a visit, contact the church office or one of the pastors. The Prayer Network and Visitation Team are ministries sponsored by the 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.

Church office hours: 9:00 a.m. – noon on Mon – Fri; 1:00 –5:00 p.m. on Mon – Thurs.

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

Notary public service is available in the church office.

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Bethel College Mennonite Church

2600 College Avenue, Box 364, North Newton, KS 67117

316-283-3667

Pastors: Heidi Regier Kreider, Susan Wheeler, Weldon Martens

May 4, 2014

Worship 9:30 a.m.

TIME FOR WORSHIP

GATHERING

Prelude

Lord Jesus Christ, be present now

Verlene Garber, organist

Greeting

Dale Horst, worship leader

***Prayer**

HWB 661

***Hymn**

Blessed Jesus, at your word

HWB 13

(Children come forward during hymn)

LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

Time with children

Heidi Regier Kreider

Scripture: Luke 24:13-35 Dale Horst, Adam Robb, Darlene Dick

Hymn

On the journey to Emmaus

STS 98

Sermon

With eyes of the heart

Heidi Regier Kreider

RESPONDING IN FAITH

***Hymn**

Open my eyes, that I may see

HWB 517

(Sing a cappella as directed)

Recognition of graduates

Weldon Martens

Prayer of God's people

Anthem

Vidi aquam (I saw water)

McCarthy

Chancel Choir; Ron Garber, director

English translation: *I saw water flowing forth from the temple,*

And all those to whom this water flows thereby are made whole.

O give praise to the Lord our God who is gracious. Alleluia.

Offering

To learn more about BCMC or share a prayer request, please

fill out a card from the pew rack and place in offering plate.

Offertory

Simple gifts

Held

***Dedication hymn**

Lord Jesus Christ, be present...

HWB 22

(stanzas 1 and 4)

***Dedication prayer**

SENDING

***Hymn**

Christ is alive! Let Christians sing!

HWB 278

***Benediction**

***Benediction response**

God be in my head

Rutter

Chancel Choir

***Postlude**

Psalm 19

Marcello

HWB = Hymnal: A Worship Book

STS= Sing the Story

*All who are able are invited to stand

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 Time with Children, children receive activity bags to use during worship (return to baskets at the entrance as you leave). We invite members and visitors to fill out welcome/prayer cards located in pew racks and place them in the offering plates for response by pastoral staff.

Thank you to members of the Open Circle Sunday school class for serving refreshments during Sunday morning fellowship time in April, and to the Bible Study Sunday school class for serving in May.

BCMC Choir director transitions: Next Sunday during worship we will recognize staff making transitions in May:

- Doyle Preheim will be concluding as Interim Chancel Choir Director.
- Cherub Choir director Megan Siebert and Junior Choir director Renee Reimer are concluding their role on the BCMC staff, as they graduate from Bethel College this Spring.

Thank you to these persons for their wonderful service at BCMC!

In light of staff transitions, **BCMC announces openings for the paid positions of Cherub Choir Director** (for children grades K-3) and **Junior Choir Director** (for children grades 4-8) for the 2014-2015 school year.

For more information and application forms, contact Ron Sawatzky, BCMC Staff Congregation Relations Committee representative.

Coming up June 1 at BCMC:

- **Worship will include commissioning** for church officers and members of Church Board, commissions and committees for the new program year that begins in June.
- **At noon will be the world's best noon hamburger fry** (and fundraiser) sponsored by the church youth - Come hungry!
- **At 1:00-3:00 p.m. an orientation session** will take place in the Chapel for chair-persons of commissions and Board-appointed committees, and staff liaisons. The session will be led by moderator Jim Robb, treasurer Richard Friesen and pastor Heidi Regier Kreider to review organizational and financial processes at BCMC, helpful practices for meetings, and other resources to equip leaders for ministry at BCMC.



Vacation Bible School 2014
Bethel College Mennonite Church
&
New Creation Fellowship
June 2-6 / 8:45 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.

Registration Form – Deadline: May 15
return to BCMC office

Name of child _____

Birthdate _____

Circle last grade completed: preschool K 1 2 3 4 5 6
(There are classes for 3 year olds through 6th grade)

Address _____

Home phone _____ Cell phone _____

Medical concerns/allergies _____

Parent/primary caregiver _____

Emergency contact person _____ Phone _____

Suggested fee per child
\$10 for 1, \$18 for 2, \$25 for 3 or more

Waiver of responsibility/Photo release

I give _____ permission to participate in this program. The leaders will not be held responsible for injury, etc. I give permission for my child's photo to be displayed during the week, shown in worship or congregational media.

Parent/guardian signature _____

Date _____

Congratulations to Graduates!

High School

E Josef Voth, East High School, Wichita

College

John Bergen, Oberlin College, Oberlin, OH; Cris Nelson, Bethel College; Megan Leary, Bethel College; Rebecca Trumble, Bethel College

Post-Graduate

Nick Jackson, Doctor of Pharmacy from the University of Kansas (May 18)

Thanks from Bethel College graduates: *(BCMC offers scholarships to members attending Mennonite-related colleges.)*

Megan Leary: I don't remember a time when BCMC was not a part of my life. Growing up with the church congregation as an extended family has influenced me as a person as well as my decisions. I appreciate all of the support and encouragement from the church throughout my schooling. I will graduate from Bethel College with a major in Mathematical Sciences and minors in Communication Arts and Computer Science. Next year I will be doing Mennonite Voluntary Service in Tucson, AZ, working for the Primavera Foundation as a Garden Coordinator. Thanks to everybody for their support so far in my life!

Cristopher Nelson: I am very thankful for the church's support over the last few years here at Bethel. It has been really nice to know that the BCMC community is always there to help support and encourage me, especially through times of hardship. I am not entirely sure what I will be doing after I graduate. For now I will be living in the North Newton area working whatever job I can find. I have recently thought about maybe pursuing something along the lines of social work or teaching science in high school. Hopefully I have an epiphany in the next year or so.

Rebecca Trumble: Thank you all so much for your support in the last four years. Being a part of this congregation has been incredibly important to me and has played a huge role in my faith. After graduation I will be getting married to Aaron Tschetter, another Bethel student. In August I will begin my new job as a special education teacher with the Sedgwick County Special Education Cooperative. God has provided me with a wonderful church to be a part of and for that, I couldn't be thankful enough.

Is there a graduation in your family's near future? If so, please contact the church office so we can share this news with the congregation and celebrate with you!

Next Sunday, May 11, 10:30 a.m., children's Sunday school teachers, children and families are invited to a Sunday school teacher appreciation reception in Fellowship Hall.

This Week at BCMC: May 4 – May 11, 2014

Today

10:30 a.m. Fellowship time with coffee served in the Gathering Place

10:50 a.m. Christian Education for all ages – Visitors welcome!

Children and youth Sunday school classes:

- 2-3 year olds—Rm B-6; pre-K through 4th grade students—following snacks in Fellowship Hall, meet in Room B-8 for singing and story
- 5th, 6th, 7th, and 8th grade students—Rm 26; Sr Hi Youth—Rm 22

Adult Sunday school classes:

- Agape (Young Adults)—KIPCOR, 2515 College Ave.
- Bible Study—*Hymn texts from Ephesians*—Rm 14
- College students—Agape Center in Richert House, 2611 College Ave.
- Catacombs—Rm B-5—*CPS and the Arts*, Rosalind Andreas & Merrill Raber
- Fine Arts—Rm 24—*Understanding the New Testament* video series
- Issues & Christianity—Rm 23—*Understanding of the Old Testament*, dvd
- Mosaic—Rm 28—DVD *Jerusalem: Center of the World*
- Open Circle—Rm B-7—Sermon reflection and response
- Seekers—Rm 21—*A personal struggle for soul freedom*, Will D. Campbell
- Sojourners—Chapel—Michelle Armster, MCC Director

Monday, May 5

3:00 p.m. BCMC worship DVD—Kidron Bethel Health Care

Tuesday, May 6

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

Wednesday, May 7

8:00 a.m. Staff meeting—Rm 14

6:30 p.m. Junior Choir—Rm 28

7:00 p.m. Senior High youth—Rm 22

7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir—Sanctuary

8:30 p.m. Chancel Choir party—Fellowship Hall

8:30 p.m. Chancel Bells—Rm B-7

Thursday, May 8

4:00 p.m. Bethel College Relations Team—Agape Center

Friday, May 9

9 a.m. to 5 p.m. AMBS-Central Plains Preaching Seminar—Chapel, Sanctuary

Saturday, May 10

7:30 a.m. Mennonite Men—Breakfast at Kidron Bethel Harvest Table and program following with Dennis Walker reflecting on his inter-faith support experiences; a unique opportunity to hear a member of the AME congregation tell it like it was in times past and to direct questions to him as a long-term resident of Newton. His topic: "Native Newtonian Weathering Kansas Experiences."

8:00 a.m. Young and Middle Aged Men—Mojo's, Bethel College campus
calendar continued on next page

Sunday, May 11

9:30 a.m. Worship with sermon by Heidi Regier Kreider; music by Chancel Choir; Sunday school teacher and choir director recognitions

10:30 a.m. Fellowship time with coffee served in the Gathering Place; Children's Sunday school reception in Fellowship Hall

10:50 a.m. Christian Education for all ages – Visitors welcome!

Staff: Heidi Regier Kreider will be out of the office Thursday, May 8, for a monthly retreat/study day. Susan Wheeler will be out of town May 10-11.

Delegates are needed to represent BCMC at the annual assembly of Western District Conference, July 4-6, Lakeview Camp and Retreat Center in Waxahachie (near Dallas), TX. The \$60 registration fee will be reimbursed to each of the 19 delegates after registering online at www.mennowdc.org. A chartered bus option is being considered: leaves July 4 at 9 a.m. and returns July 6 at 7 p.m.; Cost is \$58-\$110 depending on size of bus. Reserve bus seat by June 3 by calling WDC at 283-6300. Other costs: adult lodging/meal package (2 nights, 5 meals) - \$150 double occupancy; \$180 single occupancy. Adult meal package if not staying at Lakeview (3 meals, no breakfasts) - \$30. If you are interested in serving as a BCMC delegate, please contact Dorothy Nickel Friesen.

Read the Bible in 90 Days resources are available at BCMC, including a Bible reading plan, DVD, leader's guide and companion handbook. For more info contact the Faith Formation commission or the church office staff.

Mennonite Central Committee announcements:

- MCC needs a large quantity of new or used (clean, unstained) T-shirts and neck-ties. These will be upcycled by volunteers at the Material Resource Center in Ephrata, PA into scarves and tote bags to be given away at the Mennonite World Conference and Mennonite Church USA convention in 2015. Bring T-shirts and neck-ties to the MCC Center in North Newton (121 E. 30th) by May 9.
- Kansas MCC Ride for Relief is Sun., May 18. There is a \$25.00 donation per motorcycle. Leave from Faith Mennonite Church in South Hutchinson, Kansas at 7:45 a.m. to attend worship service at Greensburg Mennonite Church at 10:30 a.m. Lunch provided at the church, by donation. RSVP by May 12 to Daryl Regier (620-345-8531) or e-mail (wingrider@mtelco.net). All donations go to MCC.
- Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale annual meeting is Thurs., May 29, 6:30 p.m. at Ebenfeld MB Church, 1498 Kanza Road, Hillsboro. The meal is \$15 a plate. To attend contact Jim & Beaty Robb by May 18.
- The annual mini-music festival known as Song on the Lawn will be Sun., June 8. Enjoy an evening of music at Willow Spring Downs, 1582 Falcon Rd, Hillsboro, to benefit MCC's work of relief, development and peace.

Kansas Mennonite Men's Chorus performs today at 7 p.m. at Bethel College Memorial Hall, North Newton (The BCMC Chancel Bells will perform with the KMMC) and June 8 at 4:30 p.m. at Bethany College Presser Hall, Lindsborg (a joint concert with the Kansas City Metro Men's Chorus).

Bethel College announcements:

- **Wind Ensemble** concert, Krehbiel Auditorium, today at 3 p.m.
- **Men's Ensemble** joins Kansas Mennonite Men's Chorus, Memorial Hall, today at 7 p.m.
- **Jazz on the Green**, Wed., May 7, 8 p.m. (Krehbiel Auditorium if rain)
- **Concert by women's a cappella ensemble *Woven***, Fri., May 9, 7 p.m., Memorial Hall. The concert marks the release of *Woven's* second CD, *Wander Free*.
- **Concert by men's a cappella ensemble *Open Road***, Sun., May 11, 7 p.m., Memorial Hall.

Managing Differences Within Faith Communities is open for certificate option--non credit. Kansas Institute for Peace & Conflict Resolution (KIPCOR) offers a two-day intensive for individuals for \$300 per person--or \$250 for 2 people or \$200 for 3 or more from a congregation. The course meets Thurs-Fri, May 8-9, 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m. each day. Call Kirsten Zerger, 316-284-5217, or register online at www.kipcor.org at calendar.

Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary—Great Plains extension:

- **AMBS - GP** has been approved to continue offering graduate level courses in Kansas under a "step-down" accreditation provision called "ongoing course offering site" beginning July 1, 2014. There will be one course per session (fall, interterm, spring, summer) at the Kansas site next academic year. A celebration of the past 34 years of the Great Plains Extension and the new, simpler structure will be Sunday, June 1 at 4 p.m. at BCMC. Mark your calendars and join in this service of thanksgiving.
- **Prayers for Mennonite Church USA at AMBS-Great Plains:** Fridays through May 30, at 12-12:30 p.m., all are invited to prayers for Mennonite Church USA and church leaders. Meet at AMBS-Great Plains classroom at the 2500 N. Main Place building in N. Newton. The prayer time, led by Peter Goerzen, will follow the guide developed by AMBS professor David Miller, with praise, confession, and intercession based on Scripture.

Newton Et Cetera Shop seeks donations! Bring gently-used clothing, household goods, bikes, and furniture to the alley door Mon-Fri, 9:30 a.m. - 7 p.m. and Sat. 9:30 a.m. - 5 p.m. Thanks for supporting Mennonite Central Committee and local community efforts by donating to Et Cetera Shop.

Bethel College is seeking a full time Administrative Assistant to the Director of Development. This position provides administrative support services for the Development Office, manages the database as related to donor gifts and produces donation letters and computer reports as needed. See www.bethelks.edu/jobs for complete details. AA/EOE