

Prayer Requests

Mennonite Mission Network: Mennonite Mission Network's Anne Garber Kompaoré, based in Burkina Faso, is preparing for a follow-up biblical translation workshop in Democratic Republic of Congo this month. Pray for the translators as they build on what they learned during a March session, and pray for inspiration for Anne.

This congregation: Pray for the BCMC staff, especially as a major transition occurs this week. Give thanks for past leaders and emerging new leaders.

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: 9:00 a.m. – noon on Mon – Fri; 1:00 – 5:00 p.m. on Mon – Thur
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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July 26 at BCMC: Attendance 277. General Fund \$4,312; Living Stones \$705; Funeral \$724.18; Transfer-General \$20; *Rejoice* \$83.25; Caring Fund \$300; Board Contingency \$275.



BETHEL COLLEGE MENNONITE CHURCH
August 2, 2015

Bethel College Mennonite Church
August 2, 2015 – 9:30 a.m. Worship

GATHERING

Prelude Karen Loucks
Greeting and Opening Prayer Dale Horst
***Hymn** *Christ is our cornerstone* **HWB 43**
(Children come forward during hymn)

LISTENING FOR GOD’S WORD

Time with children John Tyson
Service of child dedication for Grayson Mallet-Prevost Murphy V
Blessing **HWB 791**
Worship Music *It is well with my soul* Spafford/Bliss
Christopher Kliewer
Installation of Interim Pastor see insert
Hymn *Gentle Shepherd, come and lead us* **HWB 352**
Scripture reading Ephesians 4:1-8, 11-16 Dale Horst
Sermon *Whose call?* Dorothy Nickel Friesen

RESPONDING IN FAITH

***Hymn** *Will you let me be your servant* **HWB 307**
Prayer of God’s people
Offering
Offertory *Love ye the lord* Handel
Christopher Kliewer
***Dedication hymn** *Lord of all good* **STJ 60**
***Dedication prayer**

SENDING

***Hymn** *The Lord lift you up* (sing twice) **STJ 73**
***Benediction**
***Benediction response**
***Postlude**

*All who are able are invited to stand

This Week at BCMC: August 2 – August 9, 2015

Today—August 2—Welcome Pastor Dorothy Nickel Friesen

10:30 a.m. Fellowship in the Gathering Place; ice water available

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

• 2-3 year olds through 8th grade—meet in Fellowship Hall for snack, then Room B-8 for activities

• **Faith Forum:** Faith and Technology – Technology and story-telling

Adult classes:

- Agape—Fellowship Hall
- Bible Study, Catacombs, Fine Arts, and Seekers Sojourners classes will not meet—members may attend the Faith Forum sessions
- Mosaic—Rm 22—Sermon reflection/response and other topics
- Issues & Christianity—Rm 23—*Understanding the New Testament*
- Open Circle—Rm B-7—Sermon reflection and response

Monday, August 3

2:30 p.m. BCMC worship DVD—Kidron Bethel Health Care

7:00 p.m. Staff Congregation Relations Committee—Rm 14

Tuesday, August 4

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

7:30 p.m. Pastor Search Committee—Rm 14

Wednesday, August 5

8:00 a.m. Staff Breakfast Meeting—Rm 14

6-8 p.m. Emily Harder Fundraiser Event—Fellowship Hall

Thursday, August 6

2:00 p.m. BCMC worship DVD—Schowalter Villa

7:00 p.m. Church Board—Rm 14

Sunday, August 9

9:30 a.m. Worship with sermon by Patty Shelly (Luke 24);

music by Rebecca and Matt Schloneger and Ron and Verlene Garber

10:30 a.m. Fellowship time

10:50 a.m. Christian Education; Faith Forum in sanctuary continues a series on faith and technology

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).

You are invited to a special event with BCMC member, Emily Harder, preparing for a service assignment this coming year with Mennonite Voluntary Service (MVS) in Washington, DC. This Wed., Aug. 5, 6-8 p.m., there will be a dessert reception in the BCMC Fellowship Hall, to learn more about Emily’s upcoming MVS term and offer opportunity to support expenses. Make checks to BCMC with the memo line: BCMC Mission and Service Endowment Fund.

HWB = Hymnal: A Worship Book

STJ = Sing the Journey

To place an order for a 20 lb. case of fresh peaches from Palisade, CO, call the Mennonite Central Committee Central States office by Aug. 14, 283-2720. Each case is \$35. Peaches will be available for pick up on Aug. 29. This is not an MCC fund-raiser, simply an opportunity for you to get some delicious peaches. If questions, call MCC Central States office.

Conversational Spanish: BCMC Witness Commission received a Western District Conference *Loaves and Fishes* grant for learning conversational Spanish. Seventh graders through adults of supportive congregations to Iglesia Menonita Casa Betania, a WDC church, are invited to sign up for Spanish learning sessions. Sessions are tentatively scheduled for 2nd and 4th Saturdays of Sept., Oct., Nov., Jan., Feb., and March, 2–3:30 p.m. in Pastor Jaime Cazares' office at 510 SE 2nd St. next to First Mennonite Church, Newton. Register by Aug. 23 with Margaret Goering at 316-283-5034 or mrgoering@outlook.com. Fees are \$25 for materials and supplies not covered by the grant. Bring payment to first session, with checks written to BCMC with 'Spanish' in the memo line.

Everence Financial will present a seminar, *Retiring soon? Make sense of your Medicare and Social Security choices*, with explanation on how to enroll and options if you continue to work, at 4 p.m. and 7 p.m., Aug. 10, at Everence Financial, 371 N. Old Highway 81, Hesston. For reservations contact Darlene Buller darlene.buller@everence.com or (877) 467-7294, (620) 327-4043.

Camp Mennoscah announcements (For info call 620-297-3290 or olivia.bartel@campmennoscah.org)

- **Family Camp** is July 25-26—Alan Stucky and Katie Best, leaders
- **Mental Health Spiritual Retreat** is Sept. 6-7.
- **Camp Mennoscah Camp Sing** is Aug. 9, 6 p.m. at Grace Hill Mennonite Church. Pre-order a Camp Sing Tee Shirt.
- **Women and Girls Retreat** will be Sept. 11-13 (Fri. evening – Sun. lunch) Registration brochures on church bulletin board.
- **Work & Play Camp**, Sept. 20-23. Register online or call.

Hopeful Blues, a five piece instrumental ensemble from Hope Mennonite Church, Wichita, will have a concert and CD launch Aug. 9, 7 p.m., at Hope Mennonite Church, 868 N Maize Road, Wichita. Many of the selections performed originate in the MC-USA conference hymnals and songbooks. *Hopeful Blues* has been invited to perform as the worship ensemble for Western District Conference in Newton Oct. 30-31. Donations will be accepted to cover costs of production, enabling all sales proceeds to be charitable. CD's will be available for sale and will benefit Camp Mennoscah, for refurbishing and replacing musical instruments for campers of all ages. The concert will be informal and includes an ice cream social.

Installation for Dorothy Nickel Friesen as Interim Pastor

June Thomsen, Ministerial Leadership Commission, Western District Conference: Today we celebrate the installation of Dorothy Nickel Friesen as Interim Pastor at Bethel College Mennonite Church.

Jim Robb, Congregational moderator: We are the Body of Christ, empowered by the Holy Spirit. We worship, nurture faith, care for one another, welcome and serve others, and proclaim God's good news in the world.

Dale Schrag, Staff Congregation Relations Committee chair: We call our pastors to guide us in becoming fully devoted followers of Jesus who become the hands and feet of Christ in the world. We are grateful that Dorothy has answered the call to serve in a pastoral role during this interim time.

June : Dorothy, seeing that the grace of God has called you into pastoral leadership in this church, I now ask you: Do you promise, to the best of your ability, to carry out the responsibilities of Interim Pastor?

Dorothy: I do.

June: Will you seek to be faithful in prayer, in setting forth the Scriptures, and in seeking the good of this congregation? And will you seek to live honestly, openly and justly with your brothers and sisters in this congregation?

Dorothy: I will.

June: Will you exercise the authority that has been entrusted to you in the loving spirit of Christ; and will you build up and equip members and seekers for a deeper walk with Jesus, a stronger relationship with God, a greater reliance on the Holy Spirit, and a deeper love for all people?

Dorothy: I will.

June: (*to congregation*) Christian friends, you have heard the commitment that Dorothy has made in accepting the call to serve as Interim Pastor at Bethel College Mennonite Church. Do you receive her as one sent by God to provide pastoral leadership in this congregation, and do you offer your support and prayers for her ministry among you? If so, answer, "We do."

Congregation: We do.

Dorothy: (*brief words of response*)

June: Now, let us join in a spirit of prayer, as we ask God's blessing for Dorothy:

O God, you call your people to service through the church. Bless the covenant made this day between Dorothy Nickel Friesen and Bethel College Mennonite Church. We thank you for the calling to pastoral leadership, and pray for Dorothy as she accepts that role in this congregation. Be a source of strength to her. Endow her with the gifts of the Spirit: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Bind us to one another in the bond of peace.

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And now, O God of peace, who brought back from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great Shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, make us complete in everything good so that we may do your will, working among us that which is pleasing in your sight. Through Jesus Christ, to whom be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Pastoral transition update: We welcome June Thomsen, representing the Western District Conference Ministerial Leadership Commission to participate in the **installation service for Dorothy Nickel Friesen** who begins as Interim Pastor today. Also, Jim Robb, BCMC congregational moderator, and Dale Schrag, BCMC Staff Congregation Relations Committee chair, will participate in the installation. **Dorothy will serve 3/4 time** for the next 6-12 months as a search committee selects a candidate for Pastor. Her job description is in three areas: preaching/worship; crisis care; administration. Office hours are Mon.-Fri., 9 a.m.- noon. Contact information: dorothy.bcmc@gmail.com. Office phone - 316-283-3667; home - 316-281-9364.

Dorothy Nickel Friesen is a graduate of Bethel College (English Education), the University of Kansas (MA in Religion and Education) and St. Paul School of Theology (Master of Divinity). Prior to church ministry, she was an English teacher for 10 years. She was ordained by the Western District Conference and South Central Conference and served Rainbow Boulevard Mennonite Church, Kansas City, KS; Manhattan Mennonite Fellowship, Manhattan, KS; and First Mennonite Church, Bluffton, OH. She also was Assistant Dean at the Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary, Elkhart, IN and Conference Minister for Western District Conference of Mennonite Church USA with offices in North Newton, KS. In retirement, she has served as a consultant to congregations in strategic planning and conflict resolution. Dorothy is married to Richard Friesen and they joined BCMC in 2003. They have two daughters, Melissa, a professor of theatre at Bluffton University, OH and Joanna, a Wichita small-business owner married to Steve Parks, a Wichita Heights math teacher. Joanna and Steve have two incredible children: Lydia, who will be in eighth grade, and Sam, a budding fourth grader.

Today we celebrate with Kate Brubacher and Grayson Murphy in a service of child dedication for their son, Grayson Mallet-Prevost Murphy V. Celebrating also is Kate and Grayson's daughter, Eleanor. Welcome to family members here for the occasion!

There will be no Sunday school for children on August 2 and August 9. The new Sunday school year will begin August 16.

Helpers needed! Two helpers are needed to assist teachers for the Middler (4th & 5th grade) Sunday school class for this upcoming year.

Dear BCMC congregation: Thank you for the generosity, love and creativity shown in last Sunday's potluck lunch, farewell program, and your gifts, cards and many kind words. We are deeply grateful for the opportunity Heidi has had to serve as pastor at BCMC these past 15 years, and for the wonderful community you have been for our family. We will be praying for God's guidance and blessing for BCMC in the coming weeks and months. – Heidi Regier Kreider and David Kreider

An added note: As Heidi begins her new role as Conference Minister of Western District Conference, she and David will retain membership but not attend public events at BCMC. They will worship at Faith Mennonite Church where their parents attend. By agreement of the Church Board, this arrangement will extend for the term of the interim pastor and at least 6 months into the term of the settled pastor, with attendance at BCMC to resume when the settled pastor has had time to build relationships with the congregation. David will continue to serve on the Art Committee and Columbarium expansion committee and sons Ben and Mark will continue as independent members of BCMC.

Summer Faith Forums at BCMC during Sunday school at 10:50-11:45 a.m.:
August 9: Panel discussion: "Practicing faith in a technological culture"
Doug Siemens, Liz Friesen, Peter Goerzen, Austin Prouty, Norma Johnson

Save these dates!

- Volunteer Sunday school teachers and helpers are invited to attend an orientation for the new year on **Wed., Aug. 12 @ 7 p.m.** in Fellowship Hall. There will be an open ice cream sundae bar during the orientation.
- A mentor and student pizza luncheon will take place September 13 following the Sunday school hour!

BCMC youthful men, their sons and friends are invited to the 13th annual campout at Walnut Grove Campground, Harvey County Park West, Fri. eve. to Sat. mid-morning, Aug. 21-22. Arrive Fri. 6:30 p.m. or after. Stay only for the evening, if you wish, or overnight, too. Bring your own meat plus a side dish and drink to share for supper around 7:30 p.m. Fri., items for recreation, camping gear, breakfast food to share Sat. Questions? Contact Dave Linscheid, 316-727-6967, dave.linscheid@gmail.com.

The 2016 budget building process has started. Worksheets have been distributed to commissions and board-appointed committees with a September 27 deadline. The Pony Express starts in November when members and friends can express their intentions to give in 2016. The 2016 budget will be voted on at the January 24, 2016 congregational meeting.

Kauffman Museum's monthly bird walk will be on the second Saturday of August (rather than the first). Join experienced birder Gregg Friesen Sat., **Aug. 8.** 7 a.m. in the museum parking lot for a walk of 1 to 1.5 hours.