

## Prayer Requests

**Mennonite Mission Network:** Praise God for the 27 Latin American women theologians who attended Mennonite World Conference and led in the formation of a global Anabaptist network of women theologians. Pray for many of them who partner with Mennonite Mission Network in their local contexts.

**Western District Conference:** Pray for God's wisdom, joy and safety for all who travel and gather for WDC Assembly next weekend on the Bethel College campus.

**This congregation:** Pray for Sunday School teachers, especially, of children and youth. May they model Christian love and nurture that inspire their students in many ways.

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

**Cherub Choir director:** Jill Siebert    **Junior Choir director:** Elizabeth Schrag

**October 18 at BCMC:** Attendance 257. General Fund \$9,355; Living Stones \$1,280; Media Supplies \$35; MCC Meat Canning \$1000; Evelyn Lohrentz Memorial \$75; Loganbill Memorial \$50.



# Bethel College Mennonite Church

## October 25, 2015

Bethel College Mennonite Church  
October 25, 2015 – 9:30 a.m. Worship

TIME FOR WORSHIP  
The Global Body of Christ

GATHERING

**Prelude** Karen Loucks, pianist  
**Introit** *Reflections of Passion* Yanni  
Erich Boschmann, pianist  
**Call to worship** John Tyson, worship leader  
**\*Hymn** *Holy, Holy, Holy!* **HWB 120**  
(children come forward during hymn)

LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

**Children's conversation** Ruth Obold  
**Worship music** *Ride the chariot* arr. Page  
Chancel Bells; Vada Snider, director

**Scripture reading: Psalm 34:1-8**

I will bless the Lord at all times; God's praise shall continually be  
in my mouth.

**My life makes its boast in the Lord; let the afflicted hear and  
be glad.**

O magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt God's name  
together!

**I sought the Lord, who answered me, and delivered me from  
all my fears.**

Look to God and be radiant, so your faces shall never be ashamed.

**The poor cried out, and the Lord heard, and saved them out  
of all their troubles.**

The angel of the Lord encamps around those who fear God, and  
delivers them.

**O taste and see that the Lord is good! Happy are those who  
take refuge in God.**

**Worship music** "Come, O thou Traveler unknown" [HWB 503]  
Bethany Schrag and Matt Schloneger, soloists

Mary Ann Boschmann, pianist

**Scripture reading:** Genesis 32:22-32 (Bengali and English)

Marlene Ewert and Cliff Dick

**Sermon** *The limping body of Christ* Dorothy Nickel Friesen

RESPONDING IN FAITH

**\*Hymn** *I sought the Lord* **HWB 506**

**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** *Song of hope* (Argentine Folk melody) arr. Frey  
Chancel Bells

People with October birthdays are invited to come forward during the  
offertory to receive a blessing (bring hymnal).

**\*Dedication hymn** *Heart & mind, possessions Lord* **HWB 392**  
vs. 1 and 2

**\*Dedication prayer**

SENDING

**\*Sending hymn** *Lead on, O cloud of Presence* **HWB 419**

**\*Benediction**

**\*Benediction response**

**\*Postlude**

\*All who are able are invited to stand

**HWB** = *Hymnal: A Worship Book* **STJ** = *Sing the Journey*

**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).

**Copies of the *Forbearance Resolution*, the *Resolution on the Status of the  
Membership Guidelines*, the *Resolution from Rainbow Mennonite Church*  
and *Frequently Asked Questions on the Resolution regarding the 2015  
WDC Annual Assembly* are in the literature racks in the foyer.**

**Upcoming Events:**

Nov. 1 Menno Simons lecturer, Jeff Gundy, preacher  
Nov. 8 Receiving of new members and Stewardship Sunday  
Nov 8 - 22 Pony Express for BCMC 2016 budget  
Nov. 21 Worship and Arts event at Bethel College  
Nov. 22 Fr. Michael Driscoll, Notre Dame, preacher  
Nov. 29 Advent 1; prelude 9:15 a.m.

**This morning's nursery care** is provided by Sheri Lepard and Maggie  
Dungan.

**Staff:** Dorothy Nickel Friesen will be out of the office Oct 26-28.

## This Week at BCMC: October 25 – November 1, 2015

**BCMC is responsible for staffing the Homeless Shelter** with volunteers Nov. 4 to 11 and more volunteers are needed for the evening and night shifts; two people are needed for each shift. Orientations are provided beforehand. Help with providing and serving meals is also needed. If you can consider helping with this important ministry, contact Valetta Seymour at vmseymour@mtelco.net or call 620-345-2733.

**The October issue of *The Mennonite*** is missing from our church library. The magazine may be checked out for a week. However, this month's copy was taken from the library desk before it could be prepared for check-out. We will appreciate having this copy returned. ~ *Library Committee*

**Harvey County Habitat for Humanity** fund-raiser dinner is Thurs., Nov. 12, 6:30 p.m. at Faith Mennonite Church, Newton. Contact Wade Brubacher for details, 283-1172.

**Mennonite Central Committee is initiating a new kit collection** for current and former prisoners. Deliver kit contents to the back of the sanctuary or directly to MCC Central States in North Newton.

**Hesston College Bel Canto Singers** and the Goessel High School Elbiata Singers in concert at Cathedral on the Plains, Victoria, KS, today at 6 p.m.

**WANTED: Pieced 60" x 80" quilt tops** for the MCC Comforter Blitz. Use your own fabric, or select a bag of color-coordinated fabric from MCC. Instructions are included for a simple block quilt, but you may use any quilt pattern you wish. The bags of fabric are in the Gathering Place. Contact Carol Peters for more information, 316-283-4232.

**Peace Connections Annual Circles of Hope fundraiser, *Celebrity Servers***, will be Nov. 2 at Water's Edge Restaurant in Hesston. See poster on the bulletin board.

**The Peace Group at the First Mennonite Church of Christian, 719 South Christian, Moundridge** will sponsor a presentation, Wed., Nov. 4, 7 p.m., by Sister Mary Ellen Loch and Sister Dorothy LeBlanc, of the Sisters of St. Joseph in Wichita. The sisters will be educating about human trafficking. All are welcome to attend.

**You are invited to the Builder's Banquet of Kidron Bethel Village** Tues., Oct. 27, 6:30 p.m. at Faith Mennonite Church, Newton. Dinner prepared by Water's Edge Restaurant Chef Tom Basore with entertainment by Bethel College Jazz Combo I. Reservations support the Health Care Benevolent Fund (a ministry to assist residents who are unable to cover the cost of their care). To make reservations, \$125 per plate, contact Deb Ratzlaff at 316-836-4879 or online at kidronbethel.org. Thank you for your years of ministry with Kidron Bethel. ~ *Derek Yoder Director of Fund Advancement, Bluestem Communities*

### **Today—October 25**

**10:30 a.m.** Fellowship in the Gathering Place; coffee/water available

**10:30 a.m.** Children's snack & singing gathering in Fellowship Hall

**10:50 a.m.** Faith Formation – Visitors welcome!

- Age 2 through K in B4; 1 – 3<sup>rd</sup> grade in B3; 4 – 5<sup>th</sup> grade in B8
- Junior High students (6 – 8<sup>th</sup> grade) – Room 26
- Senior High students – Room 22—*Can I ask that?* John Tyson
- Agape—Fellowship Hall—*Boys and education*, Doug Siemens
- Bible Study—Rm 14—*More than 40 days with the Holy Spirit*
- Catacombs—Rm B-5—*Update on Mennonite Church USA*, Patty Shelly
- College Students—Agape Center, Dick Koontz, leader
- Fellowship—Under the balcony
- Fine Arts—Rm 24
- Issues & Christianity—Rm 23—*Understanding the Old Testament*, dvd
- Mosaic—Rm 20—Semon reflection and other current topics
- Open Circle—Rm 28—Sermon reflection and response
- Seekers—Rm 21—*Favorite Quotes - what they say about us*
- Sojourners—Chapel—*Sojourn to the Ukraine*, John McCabe Juhnke
- Young Adult Fellowship—Meets Wednesdays at 8 p.m. at Agape Center

### **Monday, October 26**

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

### **Tuesday, October 27**

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

**7:00 p.m.** Pastoral Search Committee—Rm 14

### **Wednesday, October 28**

**8:00 a.m.** Worship Planning Meeting—Rm 14

**4:00 p.m.** Art Committee—Rm 14

**6:00 p.m.** Wednesday night suppers—Fellowship Hall

**6:30 p.m.** Cherub Choir (Rm 24) and Junior Choir (Rm 28)

**7:15 p.m.** Junior High Club—Rm 26; Venture Club—Rm B-8

**7:00 p.m.** Senior High youth—Rm 22 **7:30 p.m.** Chancel Choir—Sanctuary

**8:00 p.m.** Young Adult Fellowship Group—Agape Center

**8:30 p.m.** Chancel Bells—Rm B-7

### **Thursday, October 29**

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

**5:00 p.m.** Sojourners Sunday school class gathering—Fellowship Hall

### **Friday, October 30—Western District Conference Annual Assembly at Bethel College**

**5:30 p.m.** WDC Pastor/Spouse Dinner—Fellowship Hall

### **Saturday, October 31**

**12:00 noon** WDC Women in Mission Lunch—Fellowship Hall

### **Sunday, November 1**

Worship with sermon by Jeff Gundy, Menno Simons lecturer; Luke 3:4-6; music by Chancel Choir

**Today is the last chance to complete the Twenty Pastoral Areas Survey.** Next Tuesday, we will use the results in describing the kind of lead pastor we seek. Live through today is a link to the electronic form [manygifts.org/20pastoralareas/surveys/bcmc/bcmc.htm](http://manygifts.org/20pastoralareas/surveys/bcmc/bcmc.htm) (Use bcmc and tasks as username and password.) This link is also on the BCMC website. Hard copies are available in a box on the windowsill in The Gathering Place. Questions, feel free to contact Jonathan Zerger at [τζerger@yahoo.com](mailto:τζerger@yahoo.com) or at 913-240-6767 (texting ok).  
~ *Appreciatively, the BCMC Lead Pastoral Search Committee.*

**Pray for those receiving medical care this week:** John Hiebert and Alice Suderman, Progressive Rehabilitation Academy, Schowalter Villa.

**Residents of Kidron Bethel Village** who are members/friends of Bethel College Mennonite Church are invited to a gathering for coffee, donuts and informal visiting Fri., Oct. 30, 9:00 a.m. at the Kidron Bethel Community Room. ~ *Susan Wheeler, pastor for pastoral care*

**You are invited to contribute non-perishable food** for the local Salvation Army food pantry. On the first Sunday of the month, bring items to BCMC and place them on the pew in the south entrance. Thanks to Kathy Stucky for taking the food to the Salvation Army!

**The Western District Conference will convene** Fri., Oct. 30 on the Bethel College campus. BCMC will host the Pastor/Spouse dinner on Friday evening and Women in Mission lunch Saturday. For schedule: [mennowdc.org/annual-assembly/](http://mennowdc.org/annual-assembly/). The worship events are open to the public. BCMC delegates are: Brent Dungan, Dorothy Nickel Friesen, Lou Gomez, Norma Johnson, John Kliewer, Judy Kliewer, Sondra Koontz, Helen Nachtigal, Lois Preheim, Ron Preheim, Vern Preheim, Adam Robb, Jill Robb, Jim Robb, Dale Schrag, John Tyson, Susan Wheeler, Heather Esau Zerger. Pray for this important assembly gathering.

**Newton Area Meat Canning days** are Nov. 3, 4, and 5. Consider making a financial donation by Oct. 25. Donations can go in the church offering. Sign-up sheets for participation during the meat canning days will be available Sun., Oct. 25 and Nov. 1. ~ *Hugo Boschmann, BCMC Meat Canning representative*

**It's Supper Time!** Wednesday night supper Oct. 28, 6 p.m. in Fellowship Hall, followed by activities for children, youth and adults. To make reservations for supper, complete this form and place in the offering, or email [office.bcmc@sbcglobal.net](mailto:office.bcmc@sbcglobal.net), or call church office at 283-3667 by 10 a.m. Mon., Oct. 26. Cost is by donation, with suggestion of \$4/person or \$12/family per meal. Please bring your own table service.

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**Meal reservation(s) for October 28**

Number of people attending meal \_\_\_\_ Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**Bethel College Announcements:**

◆ **Lecture series at Bethel College –**

- **Bible Lectures:** Tom Yoder Neufeld (Conrad Grebel University College), Sun., Oct. 25, 7:30 p.m., and Mon., Oct. 26, 11 a.m.
- **Staley Lectures:** Safwat Marzouk (Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary), Thurs., Oct. 29, 7 p.m., “The Nations Marching to the Mount of Zion: A Postcolonial Reading Beyond Imperialism and Universalism”; Fri., Oct. 30, 11 a.m., “Thinking Theologically about the Character of the Monsters in the Bible.”

• **Menno Simons Lectures:** Jeff Gundy (Bluffton University), Sun., Nov. 1, 7 p.m., Mon., Nov. 2, 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. All lectures are in Krehbiel Auditorium and are free and open to the public.

◆ **Bethel College Choral Extravaganza**, featuring all Bethel choral groups, Sun., Nov. 1, 3 p.m., Bethel College Mennonite Church. Groups performing are the Concert Choir, Women’s Chorus, Men’s Ensemble, Open Road and Woven.

◆ **Bethel College Philharmonia Orchestra and Honors Orchestra concert**, Mon., Oct. 26, 7 p.m., Memorial Hall, featuring an all-Beethoven program

◆ **“Worship & Community: Cultivating the Practices that Sustain Us,”** Sat., Nov. 21, the 3rd biennial Worship and the Arts Symposium at Bethel College with Christine Pohl, Asbury Theological Seminary and Michael Driscoll, University of Notre Dame. Registration information at [bethelks.edu/worshiparts](http://bethelks.edu/worshiparts), or call Denise Krase at 316-284-5239. If three or more people from BCMC register as a group the registration fee is \$20 per person. Individual registration fee is \$35 per person. Let the church office know if you would like to attend.

**Melvin Schmidt, son of Carl and Hilda Schmidt**, grew up in the Beatrice NE Mennonite community. Melvin lives in California with his wife and son. Recently, he was diagnosed with Acute Myeloid Leukemia, and has gone through several rounds of chemotherapy. The next step is a Bone Marrow Transplant. Melvin now needs a big favor. The chances for Leukemia victims are greatly increased if they receive a Bone Marrow Transplant from someone who shares a critical set of genes. Full siblings have a 25% chance of sharing these genes. Close knit communities, such as Mennonites, have a much higher chance of finding a match from within their communities than from the general population. Go to <http://www.bonemarrow4melvin.com/>. From there, you can link to the website “bethematch.org”, and join. Joining as a potential donor requires a simple blood draw. This non-profit organization maintains a bank of genetic information used by cancer centers to save lives around the world. The website provides a lot of information about the whole process. Melvin does not have an available donor from his siblings, and a Bone Marrow Transplant can increase his chances from 25% to 50%. Joining will also help your own communities. Please visit the website, and join if you are able. Melvin Schmidt, 4624 Salina Drive, San Jose, CA 95124; [Schmidt1209@yahoo.com](mailto:Schmidt1209@yahoo.com).