

Prayer Requests

Mennonite Mission Network: Today, Linda Oyer of Mennonite Mission Network leads a “walking church” in a 142-acre park near Paris, France. Pray for this annual tradition that makes it easy for people to invite their neighbors who would not easily enter a church. This year’s theme is “The Symbolism of Water in the Bible.”

Western District Conference: Give thanks for Derek King, whose ordination service is 3 p.m. today at Eden Mennonite Church, Moundridge.

This congregation: Pray for June Thomsen as she begins her role as BCMC Interim Pastor. May the Holy Spirit guide us all and grant wisdom for discernment as we serve Jesus Christ.

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.

Church office is closed on Friday afternoons

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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Associate Pastor for Pastoral Care: Susan Wheeler

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Music Coordinator: Rebecca Schloneger, 316-772-6084

Chancel Bell Choir Director: Vada Snider, 283-5231

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

Junior Choir Director: Monica Schmidt



Bethel College Mennonite Church

June 12, 2016 9:30 a.m.

4th Sunday after Pentecost

GATHERING

Prelude

*Lord of glory, who hast bought us
The ash grove*

Manz
Held

*Come, ye sinners, poor and needy
Jubilance*

Haan
Haan

Karen Schlabaugh, organ

Introit

Siciliano

J.S. Bach

Vada Snider, flute

Call to worship, prayer

Susan Wheeler, worship leader

*Hymn

Where cross the crowded ways

HWB 405

(children come forward during hymn)

LISTENING FOR GOD’S WORD

Children’s conversation

Glen Ediger

Scripture

Psalm 5:1-7

Hear my words, O Lord; give heed to my groaning.

Harken to the sound of my cry, my Ruler and my God, for to you I pray.

O Lord, in the morning you hear my voice; in the morning I prepare a sacrifice for you, and watch.

For you are not a God who delights in wickedness; evil may not dwell with you.

The boastful may not stand before your eyes; you hate all evildoers.

You destroy those who speak lies; the Lord abhors the bloodthirsty and deceitful.

But I, through the abundance of your steadfast love, will enter your house.

Toward your holy temple I will worship you in awe.

Scripture

Luke 7:36-50

Sermon

Something bigger

John Tyson

RESPONDING IN FAITH

*Hymn

For we are strangers no more

HWB 322

Installation of June Thomsen

Clarence Rempel

Prayer of God’s people/A Prayer of Solidarity

Insert

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 *Air* J.S. Bach
 Vada Snider, flute
 *Dedication hymn *Lord of all good* **STJ 60**
 *Dedication prayer

***Hymn** **SENDING**
O healing river **HWB 372**
 *Benediction
 *Benediction response
 *Postlude *Postlude on Llanfair* Powell

*All who are able are invited to stand

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

Installation for June Thomsen as Interim Pastor, June 12, 2016

Clarence Rempel, representative of Western District Conference: Today we celebrate the installation of June Thomsen as Interim Pastor at Bethel College Mennonite Church.

Sondra Koontz, 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.

Sandee Zerger, 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 June has answered the call to serve in a pastoral role during this interim time.

Clarence: June, 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?

June: I do.

Clarence: 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?

June: I will.

Clarence: 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?

The Western District Conference Resource Library Open House is Fri., June 17, 8 a.m.-8 p.m. Come explore our new Makerspace Creation Station where you can: make your own stickers, turn bananas into a piano with our new Makey Makey, build with the Legos or handmade Lincoln Logs. Come at 8, 10, 12, 2, 4, or 6 o'clock for a read aloud, enjoy snacks, sign up for the summer reading program (adults too) and take a poster home.

Centering Prayer continues to meet every Monday from noon-1 p.m. in Agape Center-Richert House, Bethel College. All are welcome. For more information, contact Nathan Koontz, 2nathankoontz@gmail.com, or Melanie Zuercher, mzuercher@bethelks.edu.

Discover how Africa Inter-Mennonite Mission (AIMM) is currently partnering with African churches. Come for dessert and mission reporting, today, 6 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall (basement) of First Mennonite Church, 429 E. 1st St, Newton. PLEASE RSVP to lola@aimmintl.org; or 574-535-0077.

Camp Mennoscah Announcements—Contact Info: 620-297-3290 or office@campmennoscah.org

- Camp summer staff is ready to greet you and to set you on your camp adventure. Camps are still open for all ages. Register online or call.
- Young Adult Weekend is July 29-31. Scholarships are available.
- The annual Camp Sing will be Aug. 7, 6:30 p.m. at Grace Hill Mennonite Church, Whitewater. Camp Mennoscah summer staff will lead in hymns and camp songs.

The 2016 issue of *Mennonite Life* is now online at ml.bethelks.edu. It includes tributes to Robert Kreider, explorations of many aspects of Mennonite/s writing, book reviews, a look at Swiss-Volhynian Mennonite worship, writing by high school and college students, and much more.

The movie, *No Asylum: The Untold Chapter of Anne Frank's Story* will be shown today, 4 p.m., Hesston Mennonite Church, 309 S. Main St., Hesston. A brief discussion of issues related to refugee resettlement will follow. Free-will offering received with all money given to the Refugee Resettlement Fund established at Hesston Mennonite Church to support receiving refugees in the Hesston community with Episcopal Migration Ministry—Wichita.

Habitat for Humanity has an information meeting, today, 2 p.m. at Cornerstone Law, 725 N. Main, Newton for those who qualify and are interested in owning a home. See the announcement on the church bulletin board for more details.

Everence Financial will present an informative webinar, *Tools to maximize your charitable giving*, Tues., June 21, 12 noon and 7 p.m. Charitable Services Representative, Mitch Stutzman, will discuss tools to help you support your favorite causes, maximize giving through special assets and receive personal income while supporting the causes you believe in. There will also be time for questions. To participate, contact Sandy Popp at (620) 662-7900, (877) 893-8647 or sandy.popp@everence.com. Or visit everence.com/kansas.

The congregation voted to begin work on Living Stones II after internal debt from Living Stones I is paid off. That balance is now \$16,800. Contractors could be available to begin as early as July and August to tuck point, clean, and seal the exterior and to make the front entrance handicap accessible. Contributions should be made out to BCMC with Living Stones in the memo line.

Women's Fellowship begins a new program year on June 1. The Bible Study focus will be *Faith Travels: Trusting God in Life's Transitions* by Marlene Kropf. New circle leaders are 1) Janet Voth, 2) Louise Thieszen, 3) Lois Brubacher and 4) Carol Buller. Still needed are a **vice president and secretary**. If you are willing to serve in this capacity for two years, please contact incoming president, Marlene Faul, 316-283-3342 or marlene.violet@gmail.com

Mentors: Mark your calendars for Wed., July 6, all mentors of senior high youth are invited to an evening of food and games on the BCMC lawn. The gathering will be from 6 p.m.-9 p.m. This takes place during a week-long series of service projects, learning experiences, and fun activities focused on engaging our local community.

Come listen to the stories of featured speaker, Marty Troyer, Houston, TX pastor, Fri. evening, July 29 at the Western District Conference Annual Assembly, Bethel College, North Newton. Scripture focus: Matthew 28:16-20. For more information, go to mennowdc.org/annual-assembly/#2016annualAssembly.

All women are invited to Western District Women in Mission's annual lunch meeting at WDC's Annual Assembly. Come hear about WDWM and upcoming opportunities, connect with other women, build relationships. Register by July 15 by contacting Nancy at wdc@mennowdc.org or 316-283-6300. Cost for the lunch (for those not attending assembly) is \$15.

Fill out a MennoScah Retreat Feedback sheet (bright pink) and place in Adam Robb's mailbox. Feedback sheets are on the ledge in the Gathering Place. If you did not attend retreat, you can still fill out a form with your suggestions.

June 5 at BCMC: Attendance 253. General Fund \$12,342.50; Living Stones \$920; Sr Hi Youth Fund \$2,036; VBS \$675.30; *Rejoice* \$169.80.

BCMC does a bulk order for *Rejoice!* the MennoMedia daily devotional magazine for those who pay the **\$28.30** annual subscription fee. Copies are delivered to the church each quarter and put in church mailboxes. Subscription year is Sept. 2016-Aug. 2017. To place an order for *Rejoice!*, complete the form below and return it with your payment to the church office **by Monday, June 13**. *If you have already subscribed, ignore this announcement.*

I want to receive a subscription to *Rejoice!* Payment is attached.

Name _____

Make checks payable to Bethel College Mennonite Church; on check memo line write "Rejoice subscription."

June: I will.

Clarence: (to congregation) Christian friends, you have heard the commitment that June 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.

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

O God, you call your people to service through the church. Bless the covenant made this day between June Thomsen and Bethel College Mennonite Church. We thank you for the calling to pastoral leadership, and pray for June 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. 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, through whom be the glory forever. Amen.

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).

Multi-age Sunday School activities for children and youth will take place in June. June 19: exploration of Bethel Trail with Katie Schmidt; June 26: activity to be led by Creation Care Committee. There is no Sunday school for children and Junior High youth in July or Aug. 7. New Sunday School program year begins Aug. 14.

The flowers in the chancel area this morning are in memory of Maddox Lee Crabtree, whose memorial was held at BCMC June 5.

Prayer Network is an email (or phone) ministry of the Deacon Commission to provide prayer support when requested. To be added to the list, contact: office@bethelcollegemennonitechurch or call Monica at 316-283-3667. You will be given an orientation sheet regarding confidentiality and process. Thank you to the 41 people who already are on the prayer network.

This Week at BCMC: June 12-June 19, 2016

June 12, 2016

10:30 a.m. Children's games and snacks in Fellowship Hall (preschool through 8th grade)

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

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

- Senior High students – Room 22
- Agape— Fellowship Hall
- Bible Study—does not meet during the summer months
- Catacombs—Rm B-5—Barbara Bunting on community service and public life
- Fellowship—Rm B7
- Fine Arts—Rm 24—Bart Ehrman cd—*After Jesus' Death*
- Issues & Christianity—Rm 23— *Great Figures of the New Testament*, dvd
- Mosaic—Rm 20—Sermon reflection and other current topics
- Open Circle—Rm 28—Sermon reflection and response
- Seekers—Rm 21— *Doctrine of Discovery* DVD and discussion
- Sojourners—Chapel

Monday, June 13

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

7:00 p.m. Facilities Committee—Fellowship Hall

Tuesday, June 14

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

3:00 p.m. Women's Fellowship Circle Program Chairs and Executive Board meet in the home of Marlene Faul, 3000 Wildwood Way, North Newton

7:00 p.m. Library Committee—Rm 14

Worship Commission—Rm 23

Wednesday, June 15

8:00 a.m. Staff Worship Planning—Mojo's Coffee Shop, Bethel College

7:00 p.m. Senior High Youth Group

Chancel Bells Practice—Rm B7

Thursday, June 16

10:00 a.m. Bulletin announcement deadline

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

4:00 p.m. Visitation Team—Rm 14

Witness Commission—Rm B7

7:00 p.m. Deacon Commission—Rm 14

Friday, June 17—Candidating Weekend—See schedules in your mailboxes

5:00 p.m. Rehearsal for a violin recital in sanctuary

Saturday, June 18

7:30 p.m. Lily Schloneger violin recital in sanctuary

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Sunday, June 19—Lead pastor candidating weekend

Sermon by Dawn Yoder Harms; music by the Chancel Bells

(Sunday school for children; joint Sunday School for adults in sanctuary)

From the Pastoral Search Committee: Candidating weekend for Dawn Yoder Harms is next weekend (June 17-20). Pick up the schedule from your church mailbox to view times to meet, greet, or visit with her in addition to Sunday morning worship and Sunday School Elective session. Saturday adult SS times are simply recommendations to “spread the crowd” a bit. Thank you for your continuing prayers. ~ *Pastoral Search Committee: Rosalind Andreas, Judy Friesen, Jennifer Scott Koontz, Dale Schrag, and Jonathan Zerger*

A congregational meeting will be held immediately following the church service on June 26 to vote on the candidate for Lead Pastor at BCMC.

To send a sympathy card to the Janet Yoder family: 147 W. Kibler St., Bluffton, OH, 45817. Memorials can be sent to: First Mennonite Church of Bluffton, 101 S. Jackson St., Bluffton, OH, 45817 or the Bluffton Lions Club and Bluffton Lions Foundation, P.O. Box 223, Bluffton, OH 45817.

Pray for those receiving medical care this week: Ethel Abrahams has moved to Room 710, Schowalter Villa Progressive Rehabilitation Academy.

Books about sadness, grief and dying are available in the BCMC library.

This collection for all ages includes 25 books from the Western District Conference Resource Library and the BCMC library. Check-out information is described at the display. ~ *Library Committee*

I am deeply grateful for the cards and other expressions of well wishes received during the past six weeks. Hope to be joining you soon. God bless you all. ~ *Orletta Wiebe*

The Church Board is pleased to announce the appointment of Sharon Koehn as the Cherub Choir accompanist and Monica Schmidt as the Junior Choir director for the 2016-2017 school year. Welcome Sharon and Monica!

New Position Opening. As part of a team of musicians on the church staff, the part-time Music Coordinator at BCMC coordinates the music program of the church by working closely with choir leaders, Worship Commission, Music Committee and pastors. Please contact the church office for a full job description or to suggest names that we might contact for possible interest.