

Prayer Requests

Mennonite Mission Network: Pray for Youth Venture participants and leaders as they learn from, serve alongside, and worship with host communities in Lithuania and Los Angeles this month. This is a Mennonite Mission Network program for youth, ages 14-22.

Western District Conference: Pray for the planning team, staff, leaders and volunteers who are making final preparations for WDC Annual Assembly, July 29-30 at Bethel College.

This congregation: Pray for Katherine Lamp, Anjela Rodriguez, and Mercedes Rodriguez as they receive baptism and join BCMC in membership. Pray for Maggie Dungan as she joins BCMC in membership. Give thanks for all Senior High youth!

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 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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Junior Choir Director: Monica Schmidt

Youth Sunday

July 10, 2016

Bethel College Mennonite Church



BCMC Senior High Youth (Left to right): John Tyson, Ben Lichti, Olvin Romero, Laura Tran, Elizabeth Tran, Zoe Siemens, Jarett Sheriff, Jon Voth, Mercedes Rodriguez, Christian Rodriguez, Katherine Lamp, Maggie Dungan, Christa Kondziola, Bethany Schrag. (Not pictured: Tim Schrag, Nancy Mueller, Anjela Rodriguez, Cheyenne Temple.)

#communityweek2k16

Bethel College Mennonite Church

July 10, 2016 – 9:30 a.m. Worship

Prelude

Drama Christian Rodriguez, Zoe Siemens,
Cheyenne Temple, Laura Tran

Congregational Song *You are Holy (Prince of Peace)*
Song Leaders: Maggie Dungan, Mercedes Rodriguez, Ben Lichti
Tim Schrag, guitar; Bethany Schrag, piano

Welcome/Call to Worship John Tyson

High/Low

Demo high/low of the week: Laura Tran, Cheyenne Temple,
Mercedes Rodriguez, Jarett Sheriff, Christa Kondziola

An invitation to the congregation to turn to their neighbor and share their own high/low of the week

Children's conversation and Camp Mennoscah songs
Katherine Lamp, Maggie Dungan, Zoe Siemens

Songs: *Blind Man, Banana song, Cast your Burdens, All God's Critters*

Reflection Anjela Rodriguez/Christian Rodriguez

Reflection Maggie Dungan

Reflection Elizabeth Tran

Offering
Offertory Katherine Lamp, piano

Baptisms: Katherine Lamp, Mercedes Rodriguez, Anjela Rodriguez will be baptized; Maggie Dungan will join in membership

Congregational Litany Hymnal 777

Prayer

Congregational Song *Waterfall on Me*
Song Leaders: Maggie Dungan, Zoe Siemens,
Mercedes Rodriguez, Ben Lichti

Benediction

Sending Music

Taize Evening Song and Healing Prayers is the 3rd Sunday of each month (this month, July 17) from 6-7 p.m. in the nave of St. Matthew's Episcopal Church, 2001 Windsor Drive, Newton. All are welcome!
~ Loretta Baumgartner

The MCC Material Resource Center in North Newton is in need of the following items: full size Fiscars scissors, sew-on snaps (20-25 per package), large bars of laundry soap, full-size bath towels (medium weight, dark or bright color), and men's briefs (sizes M, L, or XL). These items can be brought to 121 E. 30th St. in North Newton (do not bring to the church), purchased online via Amazon Smile or other retailers and shipped to MCC or we welcome your monetary donations designated Kit Supplies. If you have questions, call 316.283.2720 or visit mcc.org/kits for more information.

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

- Camp Mennoscah has three weeks of camps left for three different age groups. July 10-16 for those going into 8th and 9th grades in fall 2016. July 17-23 for campers going into 6th and 7th grades, and July 24-29 for high school age campers. Call to register or register online.
- Young Adult Weekend is July 29-31. Register online or call. Scholarships are available.
- The annual Camp Sing will be Aug. 7, 6:30 p.m. at Grace Hill Mennonite Church, Whitewater.
- Mental Health Spiritual Retreat is Sept. 4-5, for all who are affected by mental illness. Brochure at www.campmennoscah.org under Retreats.
- Work & Play Camp and Camp Mennoscah's Annual Meeting have joined together for five days of making Camp Mennoscah better. Put Sept, 16-21 on your calendar; Sept. 18 is the Annual meeting. Tasks for all ages and skills will be available. Register online at www.campmennoscah.org

Western District Women in Mission is offering 10 registration scholarships for MW USA's PREP event in Colorado Aug. 12-13. To receive a WDWM scholarship or for carpooling info contact Western District Women in Mission at WesternDistrictWomen@gmail.com or Jennie at 316-708-0309.

Everence Financial presents an informational seminar, *Retiring soon? Make sense of your Medicare and Social Security choices* at 8 a.m., 12 noon and 7 p.m. Tues., July 12. Everence Financial Advisor Robert Wall will speak on Medicare and Social Security, provide instructions on how to enroll, explain your options if you continue to work and answer related questions, at Everence Financial, 371 N. Old Highway 81, Hesston. To reserve contact Tanya Burns at (620) 327-4043, (877) 467-7294 or tanya.burns@everence.com.

We offer sympathy to Evelyn Quiring and family on the death of Evelyn's son, Sam Quiring, July 7, Portland Oregon.

Stop in the library to see 22 new books ready to be checked out. Pick up a copy of the list or see it on the church website. ~ *Library Committee*

Do you want to volunteer in the nursery? The Faith Formation Commission is seeking a volunteer team to rotate in the nursery. If interested, please contact John Tyson.

Join the best staff in town! There is a current opening for Cherub Choir Director (grades K-4). Please contact the church office for a full job description or with questions.

Living Stones II Update: The stone cleaning, tuck pointing and sealing is progressing well. All of the stone has been cleaned, and Mid Continent is continuing with the tuck pointing and sealing. When work on the ramp begins, the front entrance will be closed and other entrances will need to be used for several weeks. We appreciate your understanding and cooperation while these improvements are being made!

Fill out a Mennoscah Retreat Feedback sheet (bright pink) and place in Adam Robb's or Suzanne Burch'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.

<p>July 3 at BCMC: Attendance 261. General Fund \$10,607.69; Living Stones \$21,135; Transfer-Funeral \$775.</p>

July 15 is the deadline to register to eat with old and new friends at Western District Conference Annual Assembly July 29-30, at Bethel College, North Newton, KS. Meals are not available for persons who register after July 15. This year's assembly theme, "Held Together in Mission" will highlight strengthening our fellowship in Christ, and telling stories of how the Spirit is moving among us. Food is a fun part of fellowship, so remember to get your registration turned in by the 15th. Register at: www.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 Funk, 316-283-6300 or wdc@mennowdc.org. Cost for the lunch (for those not attending assembly) is \$15.

Faith Statements of those being baptized today:

Katherine Lamp

Bethel College Mennonite Church has been my home church since my family and I moved here in 2003. Many of the people in the church have helped me grow as a person in my faith and studies. I am eager to continue to learn more about myself in faith and also about my church family as I take this important step in my life. Growing up in BCMC has shown me how to accept God into my life and continue that outside of church. Throughout my life at BCMC I have participated in numerous things such as VBS, choir, bells, and youth group. I would like to become a part of the church that has become such a big part of my life. As I grow older, I would like to learn more about Jesus' way and attempt to shape my life around his acceptance, caring, love, and compassionate lifestyle. Many relationships have led to my choosing to become baptized in BCMC. My family, my mentor, all of Rocky Mountain Mennonite Camp, and all of the pastors whom I have had the privilege of knowing. They have all shaped me into the person who I am today, someone who wants to follow in the footsteps of Jesus. I look forward to becoming a member in BCMC at giving back to the church. I also look forward to continuing to grow in my relationship with Jesus at BCMC.

Anjela Rodriguez

My family and I moved to Newton in 2005. We started going to Casa Betainia, a little church right behind First Mennonite Church. As the years went by, things started to change. It felt like we didn't belong. It felt like we weren't receiving the word of God that my family wanted, that we needed. We didn't feel like we were a family the way a church should feel. We wanted to feel together as one; we wanted a place where we could feel comfortable. That's when two angels named Orvin and Janet Voth showed us Bethel College Mennonite Church. No words can express the love I have for them: they are my family. My family wasn't in the best spot. A lot happened over the years, bad stuff, but through those years I never lost faith. I remember nights where I would be asking why certain things were happening. I was lost but I knew God was with us, with me. During these times, we already knew Janet and Orvin and they helped us out. They are a very important part of my life. They helped my family get out of some bad spots and we grew together as a family. I truthfully say my family wouldn't be where we are now if it wasn't for God and Orvin and Janet. When I first arrived at BCMC I felt out of place, but I noticed people started to talk to me; they actually made an effort so speak to me. I saw that they cared and I have seen something that I never saw at any other churches I've attended before. I see people, different in many ways, come together as one to praise the amazing man upstairs.

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This Week at BCMC: July 10-July 17, 2016

I want to be baptized at BCMC because everyone showed me that we can be different and still come together as a family and I want to make God my Savior. I want to show God that I am willing to give everything I have to him; To be a follower. I feel baptism is my next step because I want to advance in my faith and grow in my spirituality. I know every time I read the Bible I find something new and I learn different things. I have many people around me who have helped me and encouraged me to get baptized. Orvin and Janet Voth, my parents, my pastor, my mentor, my friends all show me love and help shape who I am today. I feel being baptized will help me and will shape my future in a great way. I will have a more spiritual connection with God. I will be more involved with the church. I will learn more about Jesus. I know we are all put here for a purpose, to help spread peace and God's love.

Mercedes Rodriguez

I'm ready to be baptized. I always wondered why I wasn't baptized like my oldest sister, so I asked my dad. He told me he wanted to wait until I was old enough to have a say in what my religion was because it was up to me. He did present me to God to have him watch over me. Since coming to BCMC I've enjoyed going to church, which I've never really felt before. I want to continue to feel that.

I started thinking about being baptized when I went to convention in Kansas City last summer. That's when I started learning more about Mennonites and I loved what I learned. I was happy and I wanted to become Mennonite since then. I never went to anyone for help with baptism because my dad has always told me it's my choice and not to let anyone decide for me. I choose to become a Mennonite and be a part of Bethel College Mennonite Church.

Since coming to BCMC I've had the idea of going to college at Bethel College and wanting to become a member of church. There is no other church I would want to attend besides Bethel College Mennonite Church.

July 10 2016

10:30 a.m. There are no Children's Sunday school classes for the month of July

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

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

Adult Sunday school elective in the sanctuary: DVD—*Doctrine of Discovery*

- Senior High students – Room 22
- Agape— Fellowship Hall
- Bible Study—Does not meet during the summer months
- Catacombs—Rm B-5—Will attend adult elective
- 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— Will attend adult elective
- Sojourners—Chapel—Does not meet in July; members may attend elective

Monday, July 11

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

Tuesday, July 12

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

7:00 p.m. Worship Commission—Rm B7

Library Committee—Rm 14

Finance Committee—Rm 23

Wednesday, July 13

8:00 a.m. Staff Worship Planning—Rm 14

Thursday, July 14

10:00 a.m. Bulletin announcement deadline

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

7:00 p.m. Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale Board—Fellowship Hall

Sunday, July 17

Worship with sermon by June Thomsen; music by Brent Dungan and Maggie Dungan; Sunday school elective: *The Death Penalty in Kansas* discussion facilitated by James Juhnke—Sanctuary

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).



Youth Group fellowships together at Zaytun—a Middle Eastern and Indo-Pak Restaurant in Wichita



Making bales out of clothing at the Mennonite Central Committee Center—North Newton



Folding quilts at the MCC Center

Maggie Dungan joining BCMC

Throughout my life, my family has attended several churches of different Christian denominations. I found a personal connection with the Mennonite faith the first time we attended a Mennonite church, Lorraine Avenue Mennonite Church in Wichita. Camp Mennoscah has played an important role in the development of my faith, leading me to identify myself as a Mennonite. I have experienced more than one awe-inspiring moment at camp, all of which have shaped me, both as a Christian and also a follower of God. After a particularly ground-breaking and out of body experience at camp during the summer of 2014, the Spirit moved me to decide that I was ready to be baptized.

I have been raised to believe that when the Spirit calls, you answer without hesitation. For this reason, I did not want to wait to be baptized at a future scheduled time. In the Bible, people were baptized by other baptized believers in rivers, the only qualification being that they were willing to commit their lives to God. I found great meaning in this, so I chose to be baptized in the river at Camp Mennoscah. A family friend, who is also an ordained minister, led my baptismal service. My dad, (a baptized believer, Christian, and Mennonite) baptized me in the river. My “cloud of witnesses” included close family and friends. It was and always will be a profoundly moving, spiritual experience for me.

My family began attending BCMC in August of 2014 and my parents became members in November 2014. This church has not only provided space for me to continue shaping and expressing my faith, but has also provided me with a community of people who lift me up and support me in all areas of life. I feel it is important I also join BCMC as a member because of the huge role this church has played in my life the past couple years. I am extremely grateful for the many people here who make this church feel like home. I would not be who I am today without their love and support. I look forward to continued involvement in this church, sharing my spiritual gifts, and growing as a follower of Jesus Christ with my family and friends here at BCMC.

Maggie Dungan will be a senior and enjoys choir, working out, and working at Prairie Harvest. Maggie loves visiting Estes Park and Manitou Springs in Colorado with her family. One of the things she likes about BCMC Youth Group is the feeling of community and family. Maggie's future career plans are to attend K-State to become a family therapist.

Christa Kondziola's ideal day would be spent in a room full of puppies. When she's not playing with her own puppy, she enjoys playing tennis and hanging out with friends. Her spirit animal is also a dog, because they make her happy. Christa is currently in 10th grade and would love to pursue something in the vet field.

Katherine Lamp is a junior who is involved in golf, band, and musicals. She loves the community and comradery of the BCMC Youth Group, and especially enjoys getting together every week. Katherine wants to become a High School math teacher.

Anjela Rodriguez is a sophomore who loves to dance, sleep, draw, listen to music, and hang with her best friend. When asked about her spirit animal, she said, "A sloth, because I'm slow but when I get scared, I'm fast." Anjela admires her mom because she is a strong person that puts others before herself.

Christian Rodriguez is a senior and loves that the youth group and church are very accepting. Christian loves to wrestle, golf, play the saxophone, and bike. His spirit animal is a lion because it is very fast and strong. If he could do anything for a day, he would test out different muscle cars on a track. Christian would like to become a welder and jet engineer.

Mercedes Rodriguez is a junior and likes BCMC because the people are welcoming and nice. She loves singing, drawing, listening to music, and napping. Her spirit animal is a sloth—she would spend all day sleeping if she could. Mercedes would love to go to college, travel, and become an archeologist.

Olvin Romero will be a student at Bethel College this fall. His interests are soccer, soccer, ceramics, and soccer. If he could do anything for a day, he would spend it with Real Madrid, a soccer team from Spain. Olvin's spirit animal is a lion because they have so much power.

Jarett Sheriff is a senior who loves herpetology and art. His spirit animal is a monitor lizard because it is smart and the king of its domain. Jarett admires Al Cortez because he has worked with venomous snakes for 26+ years. He loves visiting his grandparents' cabin and hanging out with his friends at the creek.

Zoe Siemens is a junior who loves participating in swimming, making art, going to school, and visiting Colorado every summer. Zoe's spirit animal is an ant eater because even though people laugh at ant eaters and think less of them, they are still one of the coolest animals. She admires Anjela because she is hilarious and never fails to make Zoe smile.

Cheyenne Temple is a freshman. Her hobbies are longboarding, football, swimming, listening to music, sleeping, and eating. Cheyenne appreciates learning from the activities in youth group, and how members are open, understanding, and easy to talk to. Cheyenne admires Anjela because she's patient, kind, beautiful, respectful, and knows her priorities. Cheyenne would love to become a photographer or translator someday.

Elizabeth Tran has grown up at BCMC since Pre-K and this church has been like a second family for her. She loves the warm and welcoming environment and that people are always greeted with smiles. Her hobbies are piano and ceramics, and she works as an aide at Latchkey. Elizabeth will be a freshman at Bethel College this fall and wants to become a pediatrician. If she had a free day and money was no concern, she'd go on an adventure!

Laura Tran is a senior who enjoys piano and soccer. Laura said, "I always look forward to Wednesday nights, even if all that we do is just sit in uncomfortable silence. We're a welcoming bunch." Laura plans to become a pharmacist someday. If money were no object, she would spend time traveling.

Jonathan Baloo Voth will be a senior and is an avid mountain biker, photographer, swimmer, and artist. He plans to continue his passions by becoming an art teacher and photographer on the side. Jon was the official photographer for the youth group Community Week. If Jon became an animal, he would choose a bird because they can fly and be free.

In addition to Pastor John Tyson, 2015-2016 Youth Group sponsors are: Ben Lichti, Nancy Mueller, Bethany Schrag, and Tim Schrag