

Prayer Requests

Mennonite Mission Network: Pray for Jonathan Brenneman of Mennonite Mission Network as he begins a one-year Mennonite Voluntary Service assignment helping implement the Israel-Palestine Partners in Peace-making resolution adopted by Mennonite Church USA delegates at the Kansas City convention.

Western District Conference: Pray for WDC pastor peer groups who meet regularly for sharing, counsel, encouragement and prayer together.

This congregation: Give thanks for the Witness Committee, and for Amy Tyson, leading BCMC participants on October 9 in the Goessel Area Harvest Giving Walk to support hunger relief.

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 on weekdays at 5 p.m. unless evening activities are scheduled ;

Saturdays—building is locked at noon; Sundays—building is locked at 2 p.m.

Notary public service is available in the church office

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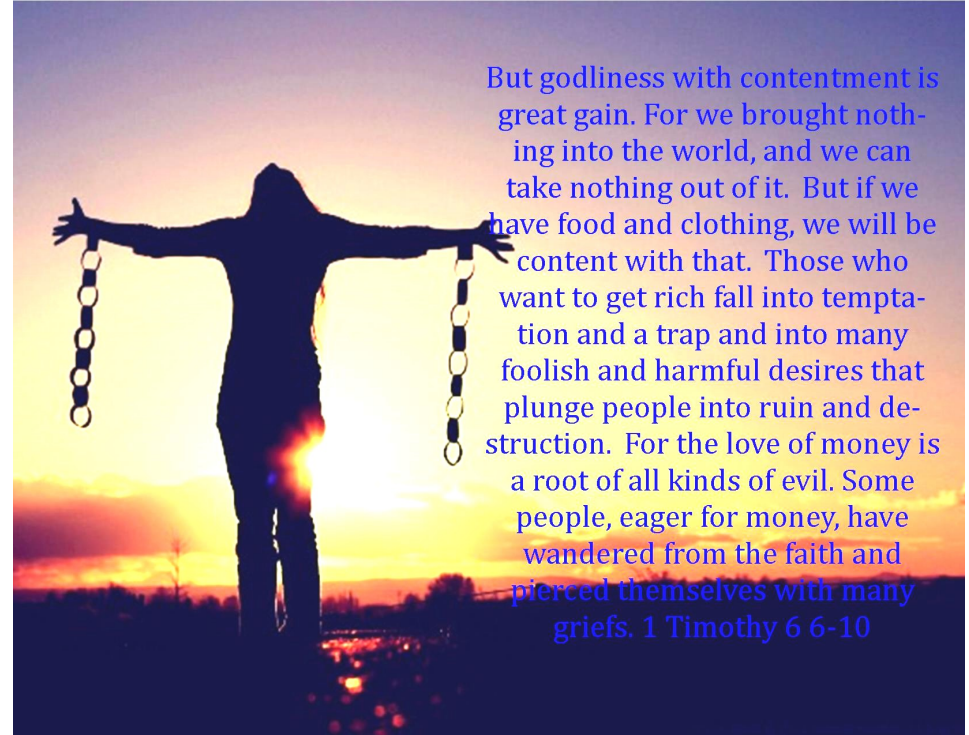
Custodian: Michael Crawford, 316-727-9840; day off is Tuesday

Music Coordinator: Barbara Thiesen **Chancel Bell Choir Director:** Vada Snider

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

Junior Choir Director: Monica Schmidt **Cherub Choir Director:** William Eash

Sept. 18 at BCMC: Attendance 229. General Fund \$8,206.83; Living Stones \$710.00; Media Supplies \$75; Caring Fund \$75; Transfer-Funeral \$700.



But godliness with contentment is great gain. For we brought nothing into the world, and we can take nothing out of it. But if we have food and clothing, we will be content with that. Those who want to get rich fall into temptation and a trap and into many foolish and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil. Some people, eager for money, have wandered from the faith and pierced themselves with many griefs. 1 Timothy 6 6-10

Bethel College Mennonite Church

September 25, 2016

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9:30 a.m. Worship

TIME FOR WORSHIP

GATHERING

Prelude *Lord Jesus Christ, be present now* Walther
Prelude on Holy God, we praise thy name Mueller
Nancy Hilty, organist

Call to worship, prayer Elizabeth Raid

***Hymn** *Jesus calls us here to meet him* STJ 3
(children come forward during hymn)

LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

Children's conversation John Tyson

Worship Music *Salut d'Amour Op. 12* Elgar
Rebecca Schloneger, violin

Scripture reading: I Timothy 6:6-11, 17-19 Jerry Buller

Sermon *An Overheard Conversation* June Thomsen

RESPONDING IN FAITH

***Hymn** *Seek ye first the kingdom of God* HWB 324
Matthew Schloneger, guitar

Recognition of Mentors and Mentees See Insert John Tyson
May God grant you a blessing HWB 422
Jonah Schloneger, drum

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 *Beautiful savior* arr. Peeters
People with September birthdays are invited to come forward
during the offertory to receive a blessing. (bring Hymnal)

***Dedication hymn** *Praise God from whom* HWB 119

***Dedication prayer**

SENDING

***Hymn** *Sizohamba naye (We will walk with God)* STJ 78
Matt Schloneger, leader; Jonah Schloneger, drum

***Benediction**

***Benediction response**

***Postlude** *O God our help in ages past* arr. Young

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 Children's Conversation, children receive activity bags to use during worship (return to baskets at the entrance as you leave).

The flowers this morning were given by Francis and Margaret Toews in memory of Henry and Meribeth Claassen.

Please pray for those who received medical care this week: Shirley Harms, Kansas Spine Hospital, Wichita.

Many thanks to everyone for your kindness to mom during the years of progressive handicap and for your many expressions of caring in recent months. She loved coming to church and having people stop to talk with her. Thank you for being a caring community. ~ *Family of Marie Snider*

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.

The Harvest Giving Walk will start at Tabor Mennonite Church, Oct. 9, 1:30 p.m. It's not too late to donate or to sign up to participate in the two or six mile walk. Find someone who is walking and generously support the Tabor Food Pantry and the Mennonite Central Committee food programs that work with "local partners around the world to make sure there is food for today, food for tomorrow and food for all." Make checks payable to Harvest Giving Walk. If you wish to sponsor the BCMC Senior High Youth walkers with a donation, give your donations to John or Amy Tyson. Walkers are invited to bring an item for the Tabor Food Pantry on walk day.

The Concert Across America to End Gun Violence is today, Tabor Mennonite Church with a hymn sing and faspas at 4 p.m. Everyone is invited to come and sing songs of peace and lament together in memory of those who have died from senseless gun violence. Questions about the hymn sing at Tabor, contact the church (620-367-2318 or tabor@tabormennonite.org)

You are invited to the Grace Hill Mennonite Church (Whitewater) Hog Roast, today, Sept. 25, 5-8 p.m. Come for food, yard games, fellowship, and music. Free will donation for area food banks.

The Swiss Mennonite Cultural and Historical Association will again be sponsoring the Schweitzer Dialect Program, 10 a.m.-11 a.m. at Bethel College's Fall Fest, Oct. 1. Local individuals will be giving the program in the schweitzer dialect; free and open to the public.

Fall Story Hour (ages 3-5) is Sept. 29 through Nov. 17, 10 a.m. at the Western District Conference Resource Library with Carol Flickinger reading stories. Please let us know if you're planning to attend at <https://goo.gl/forms/qo6YEhOux4gZKNsj2> or (316)283-6300.

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

- **Fall Scrapbooking Retreats** are Oct. 28-30 and Nov. 4-6.

A celebration and fundraising dinner for Instituto Biblico Anabautista (Anabaptist Biblical Institute-IBA) will be Oct. 14, 6:30 p.m. at First Mennonite Church, Newton. Contact Violeta Ajquejay at 316-281-4342 or VioletaA@MennoniteEducation.org.

Mennonite Central Committee-Central States still needs a few items to complete kits in order for them to be sent around the world for distribution. Current needs are: rulers (flat, flexible plastic; indicating both 30 cm and 12 in), hand towels (dark color), dressmaker's scissors, bar soap (packaged, not boxed) and infant sleepers. Your donation of these items in person, via Amazon Smile or check (designated MCC Kits) is appreciated. Call 316.283.2720 if questions.

Western District Conference Reference Council will be at Luz del Evangelio, Dallas, TX, Oct. 22, 9 a.m.-3 p.m., with scripture reflections by Lois Barrett, storytelling and table conversations on the theme *Held Together in Mission: Being Church in the Urban Context*. Lunch provided; contributions invited to help cover expenses. If interested in carpooling from Kansas Call WDC, 283-6300. Hotel suggestions at: <http://mennowdc.org/annual-assembly/#2016fallReference>. RSVP to WDC by Oct. 10.

September 25, 2016

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

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

- **People interested in membership at BCMC** meet on the “piano side” of the sanctuary
- Age 2 through K in B4; 1–3rd grade in B3; 4–5th grade in B8
- Junior High students (6–8th grade) – Room 26
- Senior High students—Room 22—*The Story*
- Agape— Fellowship Hall
- Bible Study—*Confession of Faith* roundtable—Jesus, article 2
- Catacombs—Rm B-5—Trip to Kidron—singing and dinner
- Fellowship—Rm B7
- Fine Arts—Rm 24— Book study, *Biblical Literalism: A Gentile Heresy*, J. Spong
- 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— Book study — *The New Jim Crow*
- Sojourners—Chapel—*What's new at Bethel College*, Perry White

Monday, September 26

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

Tuesday, September 27

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

2:00 p.m. Hospitality Commission—Rm 14

Wednesday, September 28

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

10:00 a.m. Bulletin announcement deadline

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

7:00 p.m. Senior High Youth—Bonfire at Nancy and Jacob's

7:15 p.m. Menno Ringers—B7

7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir—Sanctuary **8:30 p.m.** No Chancel Bells today

Thursday, September 29

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

Sunday, October 2—Fall Fest Sunday—Worship Begins at 10 a.m.

10:00 a.m. Fall Festival Worship planned by Bethel College Chaplain Peter Goerzen and Bethel College Concert Choir director, William Eash with reflections by Bethel College faculty and students and music by the BC Concert Choir—There will be no Sunday School

3:00-5:00 p.m. **An appreciation story-telling event for John and Mary Gaeddert** in the BCMC Fellowship Hall. All are invited to attend.

Bethel College Wind Ensemble, today Sept. 25, 3 p.m., Memorial Hall.

Revelations in Wood: The Sculpture of John Gaeddert, 1950-2015, will be the featured exhibit in the Robert W. Regier Art Gallery, Bethel College from Sept. 30-Oct. 28. The public is invited to the opening reception Fri., Sept. 30, from 6-8 p.m.

If you would like to subscribe to *The Mennonite*, the church has a group subscription. It is time to renew—for 2017, subscription will be \$37.00. Email the office: office@bethelcollegemennonitechurch.org if you wish to subscribe or drop this by the office, with payment, as soon as possible. Name _____ wishes to subscribe

The Faith Formation Commission is sponsoring BCMC Afternoon at the P and M Pumpkin Ranch in Moundridge, Oct. 16, from 3-6 p.m. Admission for all children, Junior High youth, and Senior High youth will be covered by the Faith Formation Commission. Admission for adults will be at the discounted price of \$5. We hope this is a wonderful time of fun and fellowship together!

The Funeral Committee is seeking people who would be willing to bake cookies for a meal served after funeral/memorial services. At this time three Women's Fellowship Circles take turns with the responsibility and we would like to add another group. When it is the new group's turn in rotation, members of the group would be asked to bake three dozen cookies or bar cookies and bring them to the church kitchen in time to be served with the meal. If willing to contribute, please contact one of the co-chairs of the Funeral Committee, Ilene Schmidt (283-4307); Aldine Sprunger (283-0508) or Virginia Benninghoff (282-7180).

Please consider becoming a volunteer at the Harvey County Homeless Shelter. HCHS needs more volunteers, and the commitment comes up only every 3 months. The next volunteer orientation is Oct. 11 from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Questions, contact Valetta Seymour at 620-217-7536, or seymour2314@gmail.com. Check the church bulletin board for HCHS needs which can be delivered any day to the shelter at 900 W. Broadway, Building 7. The next week for BCMC to provide volunteers is Oct. 26 to Nov. 1.

In connection with the Sept. 24 poster exhibit at Kauffman Museum, Bethel College Student Government Organization will host, at the museum, a special exhibit of Bethel student artwork and art-related contributions. The reception for the student exhibit, including poetry readings, music, a food truck and more is Sun., Sept. 25, 2-4 p.m. All are invited. For more information, contact Zachary Preheim zacharypreheim@bethelks.edu or Kiley Varney kileydvarney@bethelks.edu.



Oct. 9: Harvest Giving Walk, Goessel
Oct. 16: Gathering at P and M Pumpkin Ranch,
3:00 p.m.—6:00 p.m.

Fall Festival at Bethel College, Sept. 29-Oct. 2: for a complete schedule, see www.bethelks.edu/fallfest.

The Friends of Kidron invite you to the Annual Country Breakfast at Kidron Bethel Village Oct. 1 from 7:30 a.m. to 9 a.m. The meal is by donation and everyone is welcome! Proceeds from the event will benefit the Kidron Bethel Health Care Benevolent Fund.

Bethel College Fall Fest is coming soon and Bethel College Women's Association is doing something new this year! BCWA is hosting a Pie By the Slice Booth as part of their fundraising efforts to benefit Bethel College. The goal is to get 100 pies for the booth, and BCWA is seeking contributions. We are asking for 9" pies, in disposable containers, no cream pies. Pies can be brought to the Student Center, Fri. evening, Sept. 30 or Sat. morning, Oct. 1. Another change is the BCWA "Market on the Green" is moving to the Luyken Fine Arts Center and will become "Market in the Round". If you are not a pie baker and would like to contribute other baked goods, BCWA will gladly accept donations. Thank you always for your ongoing support of Bethel College.

Kauffman Museum First-Saturday Bird Walk, Oct. 1, 7:30 a.m. with birders Gregg Friesen and Rod Wedel at in the museum parking lot for a walk of 1 to 1.5 hours.

Book signing with Kimberly D. Schmidt, Hyattsville, MD, author of the 2016 young adult novel *Magpie's Blanket*; Oct. 1, 3 p.m., Kauffman Museum (part of Fall Festival).

Kidron Bethel Village is holding an Independent Living Open House Oct. 2, 1-3 p.m. Homes open are 2902A and 2904B on Ivy Drive. Call 620-327-3475 for more information.

Everence® has a live chat for young adults with Darryl Dahlheimer, Program Director for LSS Financial Counseling, designed to help people think about how their faith affects their financial decisions. *Conquering your debt: the overlooked key to faith and finances* will be at 8 p.m. (EDT) Sept. 28. Visit <https://stewardshipresources.org/compass-live-chats> for more information or to register.

Hesston College, Hesston High School and the larger community will celebrate "Home Sweet Hesston" homecoming this week. See the talent of high school and college students as well as alumni of HHS and HC during the Promise of Living Gala 8 p.m., Oct. 1, Hesston Mennonite Church. Events are free. For a full weekend schedule, see hesston.edu/homecoming.