Prayer Requests

Mennonite Mission Network: JCS International, the consortium of mission agencies through which Mennonite Mission Network serves in Mongolia, requests prayer for "the many families in our fellowships and communities who are struggling to keep their homes warm in the cold weather this winter." Western District Conference: Pray for junior high youth gathering next weekend for Know Jesus, a retreat sponsored by the joint WDC and South Central Conference Youth Ministry Committee, hosted at Hesston College. This congregation: Pray for our congregation as we anticipate our Congregational Meeting next Sunday, and for senior high youth group members, who will be serving us lunch as they raise funds for their summer service project.

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.

Bethel College Mennonite Church, 2600 College Avenue, Box 364, North Newton, KS 67117 Phone: 316-283-3667 Fax: 316-283-2079 Email: office@bethelcollegemennonitechurch.org Web site: bethelcollegemennonitechurch.org Church office hours: 9:00 a.m.–12:30 p.m. on Mon–Fri; 1:30–5:00 p.m. on Mon – Thur 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

Pastor: Dawn Yoder Harms, dawn@bethelcollegemennonitechurch.org; Phone: 316-283-3667; cell phone: 316-212-1847; Day off is Friday **Associate Pastor for Pastoral Care:** Susan Wheeler

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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

Jan. 15 at BCMC: Attendance (services cancelled due to weather); General Fund \$5,147; Living Stones \$411.67.



Being Revealed...

Bethel College Mennonite Church January 22, 2017

Bethel College Mennonite Church January 22, 2017 9:30 a.m. Worship

Belonging, Believing, Becoming in the Light of Epiphany

BELONGING

Prelude	Folk Tune		Wood	
	Nyland • Irish • Cele		<i>lest</i> labaugh, organist	
Lighting the Ch	rist candle	Suzanne	Suzanne and Lucy Burch	
Introit	Bless'd be the tie that binds [HWB 421] Junior Choir; Monica Schmidt, director			
Call to worship, prayer I		Duane Friesen	Duane Friesen, worship leader	
*Hymn Here in this place HWB 6 Karen Schlabaugh, piano; Eric Massanari and Jonah Schloneger, percussion; Suzanne Burch, guitar; Brent Dungan, song (children come forward during hymn)				
BELIEVING				
Children's conversation			Elaine Prouty	
Scripture readings: John 1:29-42			Zoe Siemens	
Worship music	Let the whole	creation cry	Leaf Junior Choir	
Sermon	Come &	See Dav	wn Yoder Harms	

BECOMING

*Hymn	Come and See	HWB 20		
Prayer of God's p	people			
0	e offering, please sign and pass the frie When all have signed, return it to the fi	1 0		
Offertory	Intermezzo in A, op. 118, No. 2	Brahms		
*Dedication hy	mn <i>Christ, we do all adore thee</i>	HWB 105		
*Dedication prayer SENDING				
*Sending song	Lord, let us now depart in peace	HWB 428		
*Benediction				
*Benediction response		Karen Schlabaugh		
*Postlude	Postlude on Vexilla Regis	Powell		
*All who are able are invited to stand				
HWB = Hymnal: A Worship BookSTS= Sing the StorySTJ= Sing the Journey (at the end of the bench)				

A note from the Worship Commission: You may have noticed something new! After the prelude, we intentionally light the Christ candle as a way of welcoming God's presence among us as we gather for worship. As we are sent out from worship, we are reminded that we carry the light of Christ with us into the world.

Welcome visitors and friends! May you sense God's presence at BCMC. <u>Personal hearing devices</u> are at the north sanctuary entrance. <u>The nursery at</u> 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).

In case of inclement weather and possible cancellation of services on a Sunday morning: BCMC staff will send out an all church email. If you are not receiving these emails or wish to be added to the email list, contact the church office. Announcement will also be on KAKE (channel 10), KWCH (channel 12) and KSN (channel 3) on their cancellation banners. Notice will be on the church website. If you are aware of someone who does not have email, please give them a call.

Register now for Hesston College's 2017 Anabaptist Vision and Discipleship Series conference, Feb. 17 to 19, with a bonus STAR-Lite training event on Feb. 20. The conference theme, When the Unthinkable Happens, will address a congregational and community response of dealing with trauma in its many forms. Register and see a full weekend schedule online at hesston.edu/avds. Registration discounts are available for members of sponsor congregations and groups of two or more from the same church or organization.

Kauffman Museum marks the 150th anniversary of the Chisholm

Trail with its Kansas Day celebration, Jan. 28, 1:30-4:30 p.m. with special activities in and around the museum. At 11 a.m. there will be a program by Jim Gray, executive director of the National Drovers Hall of Fame in Krehbiel Auditorium.

Bethel College is offering many of its classes for community audit, for \$50 per credit hour (compared to the normal audit rate of \$85 per hour) OR, if you're age 62 and older, a flat rate of \$30. For more information, go to www.bethelks.edu/audit, for a link for the spring 2017 course schedule (enrollment deadline Feb 13).

Preschool Story Hour at the Western District Conference Resource Library with Carol Flickinger begins Feb.15. Sign up today at https:// goo.gl/forms/NNeiVbEyzpzLqksc2 or by calling the WDC offices at 316-283-6300.

Save the date: Western District Women in Mission/South Central Women's annual Spring Supper March 23 at Bethel College Student Center/Fine Arts Center. Watch for more details in coming weeks.

The New Hope (Homeless) Shelter is asking for Bibles for their residents to help in the Shelter's Bible-based curriculum for the residents. They are also in need of new bath towels. You can leave these items at the back of the sanctuary and they will be taken to the New Hope Shelter. ~ Valetta Seymour, BCMC New Hope representative

Registration opened Jan. 17 for the Mennonite Church USA Convention 2017, which will be July 4-8 in Orlando, FL, with the theme "Love is a Verb". Learn more at: http://convention.mennoniteusa.org/registration/.

The 2017 Western District Conference Annual Assembly with the theme, Rooted and Built Up in Christ (Colossians 2:6-7), will celebrate WDC's 125th anniversary year. Held Aug. 4-6 at the Doubletree by Hilton Hotel Arlington DFW South, in Arlington, TX. Information about Annual Assembly is posted as it becomes available at: http://mennowdc.org/ annual-assembly/#2017annualAssembly.

This Week at BCMC: January 22-29, 2017

January 22, 2017

10:30 a.m. Fellowship Time in the Gathering Place; coffee, tea, water available 10:50 a.m. Faith Formation—Visitors welcome!

- Infants & Toddlers—Nursery at back 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-Rm 14-Lectionary Texts for Epiphany
- Catacombs—Rm B5—Transitions, Helen Bargen
- 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—Worship reflection and response
- Seekers-Rm 21-Book Review: The Misunderstood Jew. The Church and the Scandal of the Jewish Jesus by Amy Jill Levine. Facilitated by Weldon Schloneger
- Sojourners-Chapel-Religious Diversity, John Esau

Monday, January 23

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

- 5:00 p.m. Governance Committee—Rm 14
- 7:30 p.m. Newton Community Chorale—Sanctuary

Tuesday, January 24

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

5:30—9 p.m. BCMC All Staff Worship Retreat—Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, January 25

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)
- 7:15 p.m. Menno Ringers-Rm B7 7:00 p.m. Senior High Youth
- 7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir—Sanctuary 8:30 p.m. Chancel Bells—Rm B7

Sunday, January 29

9:30 a.m. Worship with sermon by Michael Unruh, Camp Mennoscah Executive Director; music by Cherub Choir and Chancel Choir

10:30 a.m. Fellowship in the Gathering Place

- 10:50 a.m. Faith Formation
- 11:45 a.m. Senior High Youth Luncheon Fundraiser in Fellowship Hall
- 12:45 p.m. Congregational Meeting in the Sanctuary

Pray for those receiving medical care this week: Marvin Dirks at Wesley Medical Center, Wichita.

Youth Events for your calendar 8CMC A Kt Feb. 17-19 Snow Camp—Exact times to be determined June 25-30 DOOR Denver YOUTH

We offer sympathy to Mel and Mary Sue Voth on the death of Mel's brother, Alden H. Voth, Dec. 22, 2016, San Jose, CA. The memorial service was Jan. 21 at Calvary Chapel, San Jose.

We offer sympathy to Mike, Stahli, Emma, Alice and Payne Claassen on the death of Mike's father, Alvin M. Claassen, Jan. 8, 2017, Wheat State Manor, Whitewater. The memorial service was Jan. 12 at Emmaus Mennonite Church, Whitewater.

We offer sympathy to David Warkentine and Marty Warkentine on the death of David's wife, Marilyn Hawk Warkentine, Jan. 17, Larned, KS. The funeral is Jan. 23, 2 p.m. at Beckwith Mortuary Chapel, Larned.

Mark your calendars for the Jan.29 congregational meeting at 12:45 p.m. in the sanctuary. Among the items of business is a proposed bylaw change. Find the proposed bylaw change and background information in the annual financial report booklet and in the Participant Log In section of the BCMC website using "bcmcuser" and "3667" or at http:// bethelcollegemennonitechurch.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/01/Changes-to-Bylaws-Recommended-by-Church-Board.pdf."

Prior to the congregational meeting on <u>Sun., Jan. 29</u>, the Senior High Youth will host a soup luncheon fundraiser in Fellowship Hall at <u>11:45</u> a.m. Soup and desserts will be served. If you would like to donate bread for the luncheon, please drop it off in the kitchen before the worship service. The fundraiser will help cover costs for the Senior High Youth trip to DOOR Denver this summer.

Bethel College will host the Intercollegiate Peace Fellowship Conference on campus <u>Feb. 10-12</u>. The theme is "Uniting for Social Change: Intersections of Race, Environment, LGBT+ Identities." Organizers of the conference continue to accept financial support for the various costs of the conference. If you would like to contribute to the conference, checks can be written to KIPCOR with ICPF in the memo line. To register for the conference or view further information, please visit: https:// www.bethelks.edu/academics/convocation-lecture-series/intercollegiatepeace-fellowship-conference/

"Getting to Know You" continued! February 12 has been designated as "Guess Who's Coming to Dinner" Sunday! Please consider signing up as either a host or guest to participate in a fun event to become better acquainted with fellow church attendees. Everyone contributes to the meal, but the goal is to get to know each other a little better—not a color coordinated meal. Sign up will begin today, Jan. 22 at the back of the sanctuary and continue on Jan. 29. Food assignments will be in your church box on Feb. 5. February 12 will be "reveal day" and you will finally find out where you are going for Sunday noon dinner. Let's all step outside the box and sign up for a new adventure! ~ *The Hospitality Commission*



The Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale is Apr. 7-8.

* Fellowship Meals will be <u>Mar.5 & Mar. 12</u>. Information and sign up forms are located on the bulletin board by the church office. Deadline for registration is <u>Feb. 13</u>.

* Sunday school classes, this year's operating budget is \$76,600.00. Bidding forms have been placed in the mailboxes of each class contact person. Decide your class donation and any item on which you wish to bid and contact one of the BCMC sale liaisons with the information. Donations need to be collected <u>before March 9</u>. Your support is greatly appreciated and an integral part of the sale's success.

*** Quilter's Corner** information is available on the bulletin board. A drop box for items is in the Gathering Place.

* General and Silent Auction Items that need to be photographed to be included in the sale brochure need to be ready in early February. If you have an item, contact one of your church liaisons.

* Quilts for the auction are due at the MCC Center on <u>March 13</u>. Quilts made by BCMC members will be displayed at the church on <u>March 12</u>.

*** BCMC liaisons** are Tom and Gayle Jackson 284-2379; John and Judy Kliewer 284-9985; Dave and Cynthia Linscheid 316-727-6966.

*** WANTED**: Cars, Trucks, Tractors, Farm Equipment (old and new) and large items of value for the Kansas Mennonite Central Committee Sale. These are tax deductible donations. If you have items with which you don't know what to do, consider donating them to the Kansas MCC Sale. We take your donations seriously and will make every effort possible to help it bring a good price. Call Jerry Toews 620-367-8257 for info and details.

Camp Mennoscah: There will be a hymn sing and dessert auction fundraiser for the new playground structure (otherwise known as "the whale") <u>Feb. 26, 4-6 p.m.</u> at Eden Mennonite Church, Moundridge. All

are invited to come for singing, fellowship, and bidding on tasty desserts!
Camp Mennoscah needs lifeguards, office assistants, music leaders, crafts leaders, naturalists, and grounds/maintenance folks for summer staff. More information at campmennoscah.org/application

- Camp Mennoscah is again offering a Youth Volunteer Weekend, <u>March 10-11</u>, for those in grades 7-12. The Friday evening-Saturday retreat is a time of worship, service, and fellowship. Camp will provide counselors, meals, music, and space in God's great creation (whatever the weather). Register at campmennoscah.org or contact us at 620-297-3290.
- Spring Scrapbook and Crafts Retreat registration is open! Two retreats at Camp Mennoscah on <u>March 3-5 and March 17-19</u>. Register at campmennoscah.org or call 620-297-3290 for a registration form.