

Prayer Requests

Mennonite Mission Network: Join Mennonite Mission Network in praising God for the growth of Christ's body in Israel. A mission worker reports that when the nation was founded in 1948, only 12 Jewish people counted themselves believers. Now, there are about 25,000-30,000 believers in approximately 300 Arab and Messianic congregations.

Western District Conference: Pray for WDC's Gifts Discernment Committee as they begin to consider nominees to fill leadership roles on WDC's Executive Board and commissions next year.

This congregation: Pray for the senior high school youth group and leaders Bethany and Tim Schrag and John Tyson as they travel to Colorado to participate in Snow Camp at Rocky Mountain Camp, Feb 16-18.

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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North Newton, KS 67117 Phone: 316-283-3667 Fax: 316-283-2079

Email: office@bethelcollegemennonitechurch.org

Website: bethelcollegemennonitechurch.org

Church office hours: 9 am–12:30 pm Mon–Fri; 1:30 –5 pm Mon–Thur

Church office is closed Friday afternoons

Building is locked weekdays at 5 pm unless evening activities are scheduled

Saturdays—building is locked; Sundays—building is locked at 2 pm

Notary public service is available in the church office

Pastor: Dawn Yoder Harms, Day off Monday—Phone: 316-283-3667
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Associate Pastor for Pastoral Care: Susan Wheeler; Day off Friday
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Associate Pastor for Faith Formation: John Tyson, Day off Monday
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Admin. Assistant: Monica Lichti, office@bethelcollegemennonitechurch.org

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

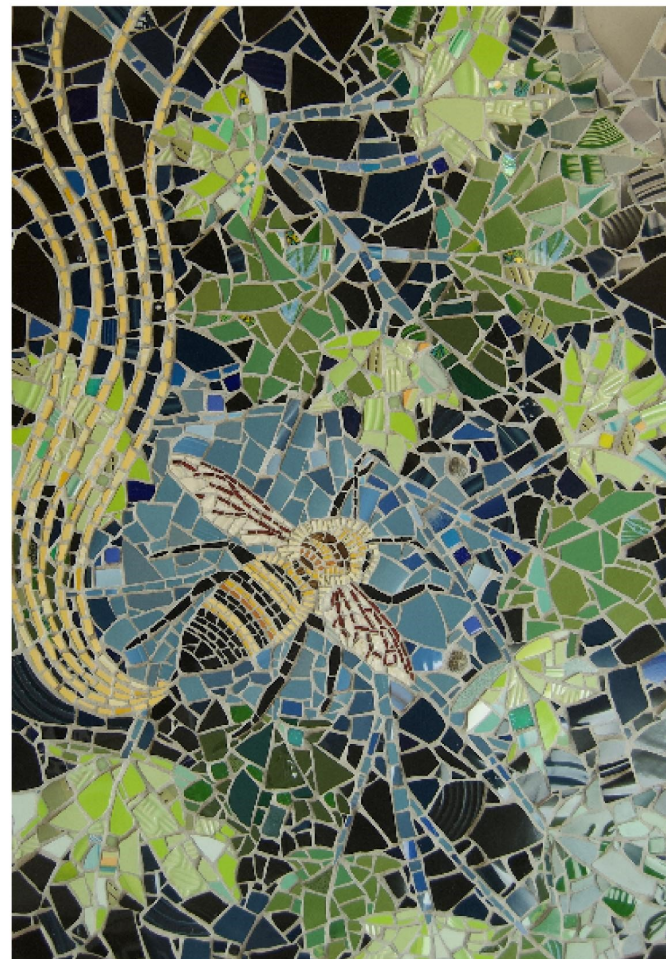
Music Coordinator: Barbara Thiesen **Chancel Bells Director:** Vada Snider

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

Junior Choir Director: William Eash **Cherub Choir Director:** Jill Siebert

February 4 at BCMC: Attendance: 279. General Fund \$20,771.43; Living Stones \$1,080; Jr Hi Fund \$2,401; Sr Hi Youth \$475; Transfer-SS \$25; Kitchen-Coffee \$17; Betty Funk Mem. \$50.

WITH NATURE SING



Bethel College Mennonite Church

February 11, 2018

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February 11, 2018 Worship—9:30 a.m.

GATHERING

Lighting of the Christ candle

Prelude *Four Variations on "Oh, for a Thousand Tongues"* Hobby
Karen Unruh, organ
*The prelude invites us into a time of silence
as we open ourselves to God's presence among us.*

Call to worship, prayer Darlene Dick

*Hymn of praise *All creatures of our God and King* **HWB 48**
(verses 1,2,3 and 7)
(children come forward during hymn)

LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

Children's conversation Sara Dick

Worship music *We are marching in the light of God* arr Behnke
(*Siyahamba*)
Chancel Bell Choir; Vada Snider, director; Eric Massanari, percussion

Scripture readings 2 Corinthians 4:3-6; Mark 9:2-9 Jerry Buller

Worship music *There is a balm in Gilead* arr. Dobrinski

Sermon *On a mountaintop* Dawn Yoder Harms

RESPONDING IN FAITH

*Hymn *Christ upon the mountain peak* **HWB 232**

Celebrating "With Nature Sing": mosaics created for BCMC by Lora Jost

Prayer of God's people

Offering
Offertory *Great God, Our Creator* Burkhardt
*During the offering, please sign and pass the friendship register in
your pew. When all have signed, return it to the first person.*

*Dedication hymn *For the beauty of the earth* **HWB 89**
verses 1, 2, 5

*Dedication prayer

SENDING

*Sending hymn *You shall go out with joy* **HWB 427**

*Benediction

*Benediction response

*Postlude *Oh, how good is Christ the Lord* Clemens

*All who are able are invited to stand

HWB = *Hymnal: A Worship Book* (in rack)
STS= *Sing the Story* (in rack) **STJ**=*Sing the Journey* (at end of bench)

**We light the Christ candle to welcome God's presence among us.
Sent out from worship, we carry the light of Christ with us into the
world.**

Following the February 14 Wednesday night supper at 6 pm in Fellowship Hall will be an **Ash Wednesday service beginning at 7:15.** This will be a service for all ages, including children. Following the children's choir practices from 6:30-7:15, Journey Club and Junior Youth leaders will accompany children to the service.

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).

Thank you, Lora Jost, for creating your mosaic "With Nature Sing" that is now hung in the Gathering Place. We are deeply appreciative of the splendor of the pieces and their connections to the hymn "All Creatures of Our God and King." That song will have added beauty as we look at the images in a new way. ~*Visual Arts Committee*

BCMC Junior and Senior High youth and sponsors thank you for your generous giving! The Senior High youth raised \$4,809 on Jan. 28, while the Junior High youth raised \$2,401 last Sunday. These record-setting donations to the youth programs will help to support numerous activities during the year, including Snow Camp and summer service weeks. Thank you for supporting the BCMC youth program!

The 2018 Western District Conference Annual Assembly will be held July 27-28. Resolutions must be submitted a minimum of 120 days (by March 29) prior to the Annual Assembly. Send resolutions to: WDC Executive Board, PO Box 306, North Newton KS 67117.

The Western District Women in Mission/South Central Women's Spring Supper will be March 15, 6 pm at Whitestone Mennonite Church, 629 Crescent Drive, Hesston. Meal (ham, potatoes & more) is \$10 by Whitestone Mennonite Youth with payment to them. Program at 7 pm with Joanna Gerber Pinkerton, daughter of Mennonite missionaries in the Belgian Congo, on *Faith in Every Day Life. Music, Sadie and the Larks, from Hesston College*. Offering for AIMM, Women's Literacy training in the Congo. Checks made to WDWM and memo line AIMM. Reservations due by March 8 to Marlene Faul, 316-283-3342 or westerndistrictwomen@gmail.com

Young Adult Snow Camp at Rocky Mountain Mennonite Camp is Feb. 23-25. Cost is \$80. Anyone ages 18-30+ is welcome to come! Online registration available at www.rmmc.org or call 719-687-9506.

Camp Mennoscah announcements:

- **Recruiting for young adults for summer staff!** Camp staff will be at Hesston, Tabor, Bethel, and McPherson Colleges on Feb. 12-15 respectively. Summer staff applications are available online at campmennoscah.org/application. Pizza gathering will be held at Papa John's, Newton, Feb. 14, at 6:15 pm-ish. Please let us know you're coming at 620-297-3290.
- **Hymn Sing and Dessert Auction, Feb. 25, 4-6 pm**, Whitestone Mennonite Church, Hesston with singing, desserts to bid on, and stories about camp told. Funds raised will go toward the Camp general fund.
- **Annual Youth Volunteer Weekend** for grades 7-12 is March 16-17. Lodging will be in the Retreat Center due to renovations at the Main Camp kitchen. There will be music, worship, counselors, and projects. Register online at campmennoscah.org or call 620-297-3290.
- **Scrapbook and Crafts Retreats**—Feb. 23-25 and March 2-4
- **Beyond Belief! The Universe of God** is the theme for summer youth camps. Register campers online today at campmennoscah.org.

Everyone is invited to join the board and staff of Mennonite Central Committee Central States for the annual meeting Feb.23, 10:30 am at the MCC Center, 121 E. 30th, North Newton.

Attend the Anabaptist Vision and Discipleship Series (AVDS) conference Feb. 23-25 at Hesston College to learn how to design strategies for fighting injustice alongside others in the congregation and community. The Kansas Leadership Center and Dr. Drew G.I. Hart of Messiah College will clarify purposes and strengthen Biblical theology of justice while small groups will engage to develop meaningful responses. Register at Hesston.edu/avds. \$100/person, \$75/each for two or more.

Sunday, February 11

- 10:30 a.m.** Fellowship Time in the Gathering Place with coffee/water/tea
- 10:50 a.m.** Faith Formation—Visitors welcome!
- Infants & Toddlers—Nursery at back of the sanctuary
- Pre-K through 1st grade in **B4**; 2-4th grade in **B3**; 5-6th grade in **B8**
- Junior High students (7-8th grade)—Room 26
- Senior High students—Room 22—*Gospel of Matthew*—Tim Hodge
- Agape—Fellowship Hall
- Bible Study—Rm 14—Leviticus—Doug Miller, OT editor of BCBC
- Catacombs—Rm B5—*The Reformation in Newton, Part II*—Keith Sprunger
- Fellowship—Rm B7
- Fine Arts—Rm 24
- Issues & Christianity—Rm 23
- Mosaic—Rm 20—Sermon reflection and other current topics
- Open Circle—Rm 21—Worship reflection and response
- Seekers—Rm 28—*Cherish the Treasure: The Mennonite Library and Archives*—Dale Schrag
- Sojourners—Chapel—*Come and See, Part 2*—Eric Massanari

Monday, February 12

- 2:30 p.m.** BCMC worship DVD—Kidron Bethel Health Care
- 6:00 p.m.** Community Playschool Board Meeting—Rm 14
- 7:00 p.m.** Facilities Committee—Fellowship Hall
- 7-9 p.m.** Newton Chorale—Sanctuary

Tuesday, February 13

- 12:45 p.m.** BCMC worship DVD—Kidron Bethel Assisted Living
- 2:00 p.m.** Hospitality Commission Organizing Session—Rm 14
- 7:00 p.m.** Finance Committee—Rm B7
- Education and Service Scholarship Committee—Rm 14
- Worship Commission—Rm 23

Wednesday, February 14

- 10:00 a.m.** Bulletin announcement deadline
- 4:45 p.m.** Gifts Discernment Committee—Rm 23
- 6:00 p.m.** Wednesday night supper—Fellowship Hall
- 6:30 p.m.** Cherub Choir—Rm 24 and Junior Choir—Rm 28
- 7:00 p.m.** Senior High Youth
- 7:15 p.m.** Junior High Club—Rm 26 and Journey Club—Rm B8 (Junior High Club and Journey Club leaders will accompany children to the Ash Wednesday service)
- 7:15 p.m.** **Ash Wednesday Service—Sanctuary**
- 7:45 p.m.** Chancel Choir—Sanctuary
- 8:30 p.m.** Chancel Bells—Rm B7

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This Week at BCMC continued

Thursday, February 15

3:00 p.m. Witness Commission—Rm B7

4:00 p.m. Visitation Team—Rm 14

7-9 p.m. Newton Chorale—Sanctuary

Sunday, February 18—1st Sunday in Lent

9:30 a.m. Sermon by Dawn Yoder Harms; music by Chancel Choir
Communion will be served—Because we are in the midst of flu season,
juice will be served in individual cups.

10:30 a.m. Fellowship Time in the Gathering Place with coffee/water/tea

10:50 a.m. Faith Formation—Everybody is welcome!

February 25 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 continue today at the back of the sanctuary. Food assignments will be in your church box on Feb. 18. February 25 will be "reveal day" and you will find out where you are going for Sunday noon dinner. Let's all step outside the box and sign up for a new adventure!

Spring Cleaning Coming soon to BCMC! Sat., March 3, has been designated as spring cleaning day in the BCMC kitchen. Please consider donating your cleaning skills to spiff up our kitchen. And for those of you so inclined, ladder climbing and cleaning of blinds and other items in high places, will also be included. Time donated is flexible-whatever works for your schedule will be greatly appreciated. A sign up sheet at the back of the sanctuary will be available for the next couple of Sundays.



• Youth Events for your calendar:

- Fri., Feb. 16—Sun., Feb. 18: Senior High Snow Camp at RMMC
- Sat., July 21—Sat., July 28: Summer Service Trip at Destination Rehoboth, Gallup, New Mexico



It's Supper Time at BCMC! Wednesday supper Feb. 14, 6 pm, in Fellowship Hall. To make reservations for supper, complete this form and place in the offering, or call church office, 316-283-3667 or email office@bethelcollegemennonitechurch.org by 10 am

Mon., Feb. 12. Cost is \$5/person or \$15/family per meal. Please bring your own table service. **Meal reservation(s) for Feb. 14**

Number attending meal _____ Name: _____

The BCMC Library Committee is soliciting your input regarding the future collection development of our library. You will find a survey to fill out in your mailboxes today. Please fill it out for your family. Then return it to the box on the library desk by Feb. 25. (The form states Feb. 18 but you have until Feb. 25.) Extra surveys are available in the library. We are grateful for your interest and input concerning our church library.

Bethel College announcements:

- **Bethel College Alumni Choir concert**, today, 3 pm, Trinity Heights United Methodist Church, Newton
- **"Moved by the Spirit,"** an organ recital with Rosi Penner Kaufman, today, 4 pm, Administration Building Chapel
- **Staley Lecture with Malinda Elizabeth Berry**, a professor of theology and ethics at Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary, Feb. 25, 7 pm, on "Practicing and Embodying Nonviolence," Krehbiel Auditorium. Berry will also speak in convocation, Feb. 26, 11 am, Krehbiel Auditorium.
- **Registration is open for the academic conference "Mennonites and the Holocaust,"** held on the Bethel College campus March 16-17, with speakers and scholars from Canada, Germany, the Netherlands, Ukraine and the United States. See mla.bethelk.edu/MennosandHolocaust for more information or to register online.

Everence wants to help people nurture their talents. If you or your parents are Everence members and you will attend an undergraduate or trade program next fall, apply for an Everence College Scholarship. Deadline is Feb. 28. Visit everence.com/college-scholarships or talk with BCMC's new Everence Advocate, Elizabeth Raid.



REMEMBERING 50 years of the MCC relief sale in Kansas.

In 1976, auctions and sales were still in the state fair bison arena, where workers spread 59 bales of wood shavings on the dirt floor to control dust around the quilt display. Soft ice cream was available for the first time. Approximately 1,100 pies were sold. As we celebrate 50 years, may we remember all those who have served God by making the sale successful.

This year's Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale is April 13-14.

- **Quilter's Corner information** is available on the bulletin board, and also with a basket for items in the Gathering Place.
- **BCM liaisons** are John (316-217-6783) and Judy (316-212-9882) Kliever; Dave (316-727-6967) and Cynthia (316-727-6966) Linscheid; Wes and Ada Schmidt-Tieszen (316-283-1182).

The Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale Board of Directors is asking for two volunteers to be Building Superintendents in the Domestic Arts Building and Sunflower North. These are important positions. Please prayerfully consider and contact Jim Robb, Board Chair (620-245-7142 or 620-747-0186) if you have questions or interest. Thank You.