Prayer Requests

Mennonite Mission Network: Nancy Frey and Bruce Yoder of MMN ask for prayer for peace in Burkina Faso. They write: "We feel safe, but are aware that periodic violence has become part of life. We try to be prepared for the unexpected." Pray for the witness of Mennonite churches as they follow the Prince of Peace.

Western District Conference: Pray for youth pastors gathering for a retreat next weekend in Hesston, sponsored by WDC and South Central Conference.

This congregation: Pray for Mennonite Church USA in this time of leadership transition, as Glen Guyton becomes our denomination's new Executive Director on May 1, 2018.

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 cell phone: 316-212-1847; Email: dawn@bethelcollegemennonitechurch.org

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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



Bethel College Mennonite Church April 15, 2018—9:30 a.m.

TIME FOR WORSHIP

GATHERING

Lighting of the Christ candle

Prelude Chorale preludes

O Welt, ich muss dich lassen Schmücke dich. o liebe Seele

Karen Schlabaugh, organ

The prelude invites us into a time of silence as we open ourselves to God's presence among us.

Call to worship, prayer

Dale Horst, worship leader

*Hymn of praise Star of the morning (children come forward during hymn)

STS 91

Brahms

LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

Children's conversation

Doug Siemens

Worship music God So Loved the World

oved the World arr. Sherman

Chancel Bells; Vada Snider, director

Brad Shores, Elizabeth Tran and Laura Tran, steel drums

Scripture reading Luke 24:36b-48 Tim Hodge

Sermon *Joy, disbelief, and wondering*

Dawn Yoder Harms

RESPONDING IN FAITH

*Hymn The risen Christ **STS 101**

Kingdom Report MCC Relief Sale Jim Robb

Prayer of God's people

Offering

Offertory Steal Away, Swing Low arr. Moklebust Chancel Bells

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 What gift can we bring **HWB 385**

*Dedication prayer

SENDING

*Sending hymn This is the threefold truth **HWB 335** verses 1 and 3

*Benediction

*Benediction response Karen Schlabaugh

Postlude Lord, I Lift Your Name on High arr Brad Shores Brad Shores, Elizabeth Tran and Laura Tran, steel drums

Please remain seated for the postlude

*Please stand in body or in spirit

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.

FEEDBACK TO THE GIFTS DISCERNMENT COMMITTEE: "I visited several Christian education classrooms and was really impressed. Good things are happening at all ages." The GDC is appointing new members for all five BCMC commissions. We have several openings on the Faith Formation Commission. If you are especially called to minister to children, coordinate activities, and like to do projects involving faith development, please contact the GDC (judykliewer49@gmail.com, 316-232-9882) or Pastor Dawn (dawn@bethelcollegemennonite church.org, 316-283-3667) by Apr. 15.

DELEGATES NEEDED: The Western District Conference summer Assembly will meet at Tabor Mennonite Church (rural Newton) on Fri., July 27 and all day Sat., July 28 at Alexanderwohl Mennonite Church (Goessel). BCMC is eligible to send 18 delegates. If you are willing to attend all sessions, please contact the Gifts Discernment Committee (dorothynf@cox.net, 316-281-9364) or church office (office@bethelcollegemennonitechurch.org, 316-283-3667) by today, April 15. There is a \$50 reimbursement per delegate.

The third annual BCMC Retreat at Camp Mennoscah will be May 5 and 6! There will be all kinds of fun, and this year, Halstead First Mennonite has been invited to join us in the fun. We'll share worship, meals, and fellowship. Registration forms were in your mailbox with extra copies by the mailboxes. Contact Adam Robb with questions. Looking forward to seeing you there!



Youth events for your calendar:

April 22: DR18 applications due to Pastor John

April 29: Baptism Sunday

July 21 - 28: DR18 @ Rehoboth Christian School (Gallup, NM)

Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale is in the books! Thank you to all who donated in a variety of ways to help make the 50th Anniversary Sale a success. Check the bulletin board in the front entrance for the final My Coins Count numbers. Save the

date: Sale date for 2019 will be April 12 and 13.

April 8 at BCMC: Attendance 205. General Fund \$5,000.10; Living Stones \$150; Transfer-General \$15; Scholarship Fund \$100; Bequests \$38,621.14; Robert Schmidt Memorial \$150.

Bethel College announcements:

- Bethel College Women's Ensemble spring concert, today, 4 pm, Bethel College Mennonite Church
- Jalane Schmidt, University of Virginia, "Huck Finn Moments: Using White Privilege to Dismantle White Supremacy," <u>Apr. 15, 7:30 pm.</u>
 Krehbiel Auditorium. Schmidt will also speak in convocation <u>Apr. 16, 11 am</u>, "Holding Space in #Charlottesville: Confronting 'Alt-Right' White Supremacists."
- The Kansas Institute for Peace and Conflict Resolution (KIPCOR) will host "Restorative Kansas" (on the Bethel College campus), <u>Apr. 19-20</u>. For more information and to register online, go to kipcor.org This conference includes two public events: <u>Apr. 19, 7 pm, presentation of the documentary Healing Justice and Apr. 20, 11 am, Jasmyn Elise Story and David Karp, "How Restorative Justice is informing the "MeToo and "TimesUp movements on college and university campuses," both in Krehbiel Auditorium in Luyken Fine Arts Center</u>
- **Open Road concert,** <u>Apr. 29, 7 pm.</u> Bethel College Memorial Hall (NOTE CHANGE from previously printed calendars)
- Bethel College Masterworks Concert May 6, 3 pm, Memorial Hall presents "Magnificat" by J.S. Bach, Adam V. Fontana, conducting and *Requiem* by W.A. Mozart, William Eash, conducting and featuring the Bethel College Philharmonia Orchestra and Bethel College Oratorio Chorus (all campus vocal groups with 30-40 community singers) Soloists: Bach Soyoun Chun, soprano 1; Jill Siebert, soprano 2; Monica Schmidt, alto; Ron Garber, tenor; Chris Kliewer, bass. Mozart Soyoun Chun, soprano; Monica Schmidt, alto; Nathan Snyder, tenor; Chris Kliewer, bass. Ticket prices are \$12 adults, \$10 senior citizens, \$6 students, \$5 Bethel faculty, staff and students. Tickets on sale at Thresher Shop in Schultz Student Center on the Bethel campus during regular business hours, Mon.-Fri., 8 am-5 pm, or credit-card orders at 316-284-5205. Tickets will also be available at the door. All seating is general admission.

Spend the day Apr. 21, beginning at 8:30 am, working in the woods at Rocky Mountain Mennonite Camp to save the spruces. RMMC needs help to hang small packets of spruce beetle repellent to keep beetles from attacking more trees this spring and summer. Bring hiking boots and a T50 stapler, if you have one. You can sign up online at www.rmmc.org or call the camp at 719-687-9506.

This Week at BCMC: April 15—April 22, 2018

Sunday, April 15, 2018

10:30 am Fellowship Time in the Gathering Place with coffee/water/tea **10:50 am** 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— Catechism, John Tyson
- Agape—Fellowship Hall
- Bible Study—Rm 14
- Book Study & Conversation The Year of Small Things Back of sanctuary with Jill Robb and Megan Kohlman
- Catacombs—Rm B5—Eric Schrag with word from BC Advancement Office
- Fellowship—Rm B7
- Fine Arts—Rm 24
- Issues & Christianity—Rm 23—Glen Ediger on the Bonneville Salt Flats
- Mosaic—Rm 20—Sermon reflection and other current topics
- Open Circle—Rm 21—Worship reflection and response
- Seekers—Rm 28—A conversation with Pastor Dawn Yoder Harms
- Sojourners—Chapel—*Solar powered desert garden in Terkana, Kenya,* Lee Wheeler

12:00 noon Catechism Lunch in Fellowship Hall

4:00 pm Bethel College Women's Ensemble Concert—Sanctuary

Monday, April 16

2:30 pm BCMC worship DVD—Kidron Bethel Health Care

Tuesday, April 17

12:45 pm BCMC worship DVD—Kidron Bethel Assisted Living

2:00 pm Hospitality Commission—Rm B7

4:45 pm Gifts Discernment Committee—Rm 23

6:00 pm Women's Fellowship Women's and Girl's Banquet

7:00 pm Creation Care Committee—Rm 14

Wednesday, April 18

10:00 am Bulletin announcement deadline

6:30 pm Cherub Choir—Rm 24 and Junior Choir—Rm 28

7:00 pm Senior High Youth **7:15 pm** Menno Ringers—Rm B7 **7:30 pm** Chancel Choir—Sanctuary **8:30 pm** Chancel Bells—Rm B7

Thursday, April 19

4:00 pm Visitation Team—Rm 14

Saturday, April 21

 $\textbf{10-11:30} \ \textbf{am} \quad \text{Dorothy Nickel Friesen Book Signing} \\ \textbf{—Gathering Place}$

Sunday, April 22

9:30 am Worship with sermon by Dawn Yoder Harms; music by Junior Choir and Cherub Choir

10:30 am Fellowship Time in the Gathering Place

10:50 am Faith Formation

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</u> 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).

Attention women and girls: Come join us <u>Tues</u>, <u>Apr. 17</u>, <u>6 pm</u> in Fellowship Hall for a dinner theater. You will be treated to four short plays and a light Box Lunch. **It is not too late to RSVP** to Lois Goertzen by phone <u>316-283-4049</u> or by email at <u>ogoertzen@cox.net</u>. Tickets are \$10 per person. Please indicate if a gluten free or vegetarian option is needed.

The Pastor Wears a Skirt is Dorothy Nickel Friesen's new book, just published. Dorothy is a previous conference pastor for the Western District Conference. StoryTellers of the Great Plains is sponsoring a Book Signing Sat., Apr. 21, 10–11:30 am at the Bethel College Mennonite Church, Gathering Place. More information: www.writinglink.org.

Matthew Schloneger will perform a faculty voice recital at Friends University with The Sunflower Trio (including Rebecca Schloneger, violin and Ken Rodgers, piano) <u>Sat., Apr. 21, 7:30 pm</u>, in Alumni Auditorium in the Davis Administration Building, 2100 W. University Ave., Wichita.

Mark your calendars for April 29. Enjoy a potluck meal in fellowship hall and attend the congregational meeting at 12:45 pm in the sanctuary.

Join the discussion on advance care planning, Apr. 20, 10 am at the Newton YMCA, Studio A, 701 Wheatridge Dr., presented by Newton Medical Center, "Consider the Conversation 2: A Discussion on Advance Care Planning". There will be clips of the documentary Consider the Conversation 2: Stories about Cure, Relief, and Comfort which highlights the value of palliative care and end-of-life conversations with doctors. The best time to do advance care planning is now and not in a moment of crisis. Making decisions about preferred interventions before the moment of medical crisis allows you individually to say or appoint someone to say what your preferences are and it frees others from attempting to second guess what you would want.

Camp Mennoscah: online: campmennoscah.org or 620-297-3290

- **Men and Boys Retreat**, for all ages of men and boys and requires no pre-registration, is <u>Apr. 20-22</u> at Camp Mennoscah. Lodging options are the cabins, staff houses, tents, bring an RV, or sleep under the stars, available on a first come, first served basis. Optional meals available are Saturday supper through Sunday lunch, and cost \$6 each. Adam Voth Unruh will speak on Sunday about "Trusting God on your faith journey." For questions about the retreat contact Kevin Neufeld at 316-322-5515 or kevinneufeld2@gmail.com
- The new kitchen will be dedicated Apr. 22, 2:30 pm. See the new space and staff will be on hand to answer questions.
- **Retirees Retreat** invites retirees and persons of all ages <u>Apr. 23-25.</u> Speakers will share about Vietnam, teen prison ministry, storm chasing and more. Contact Camp for a brochure or find it online.
- *Beyond Belief! The Universe of God* is the theme for summer youth camps. Register campers online today at campmennoscah.org.
- **Camp Mennoscah is seeking kitchen helpers** for summer youth camps. Parents receive a camper discount up to full camp fees.

The Kansas Institute for Peace and Conflict Resolution (KIPCOR) at Bethel College wraps up a year long celebration of its 30th anniversary Apr. 22 by hosting author and storyteller Rafe Martin, 3 pm in Memorial Hall. Martin is known for his children's books on making peace and celebrating differences. There will be a reception and booksigning following the program, with Faith & Life Bookstore offering Martin's books for sale, or books can be pre-ordered through the store. KIPCOR is also collaborating with Kauffman Museum on Apr. 22 – the museum opens its newest special exhibit that day, with extended hours of 1-5 pm "Newton Kids Create: Storytelling through Art" is artwork by students from Newton USD 373, some of it inspired by Rafe Martin's books.

Mennonite Central Committee is offering free webinars this spring for churches who want to learn more about how to address sexualized violence within their congregation and how to encourage healthy sexuality and healthy masculinity among members. The webinars will be led by church leaders and others with expertise in the topics. Webinars are from 2-3 pm. The webinar on May 9 will focus on *Sexualized violence – how should churches respond? Healthy Masculinity* will be June 13. Learn more and register for the webinars at mcc.org/wwso. Contact karinkaufmanwall@mcc.org with questions.