

Prayer Requests

Mennonite Mission Network: Today, "Sent 2018" is concluding a 3-day conference in Chicago where church planters worshiped and learned about resources for birthing missional congregations in the peace church tradition. MMN requests prayer for participants as they implement what they learned.

Western District Conference: Pray for youth ministers from WDC congregations attending The Gathering Live this weekend in Kansas City, joining others from across Mennonite Church USA for fellowship, worship and practical resourcing for faith formation.

This congregation: Pray for the Faith Formation Commission as members continue planning for Vacation Bible School (May 29-June 1).

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 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

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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

April 29 at BCMC: Attendance 280. General Fund \$3,725; Living Stones \$105; Transfer-General \$20; Kitchen-Coffee \$9; Robert Schmidt Mem. \$100.00

This Week at BCMC: May 6—May 13, 2018

Sunday, May 6, 2018—BCMC Retreat at Camp Mennoscah

Monday, May 7

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

Tuesday, May 8

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

5:00 pm Worship Commission—Rm 23

7:00 pm Finance Committee—Rm 14

7:00 pm Education and Service Scholarship Committee—Rm B7

Wednesday, May 9

10:00 am Bulletin announcement deadline

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

7:00 pm Senior High Youth **7:30 pm** Chancel Choir—Sanctuary

Thursday, May 10

6:30 pm Faith Formation Commission—Rm B7

7:00 pm Church Board—Rm 14

Saturday, May 12

8:00 am Youthful Men's Breakfast at Mojo's on the Bethel College campus

Sunday, May 13—Mother's Day

9:30 am Worship with sermon by John Tyson; music by Cherub Choir, Junior Choir and Chancel Choir

10:30 am Fellowship Time in the Gathering Place **10:50 am** Faith Formation

The May meeting of the BCMC Women's Fellowship will be Tues., May 15, 7 pm in Fellowship Hall. A church reporter will conduct interviews with several BCMC women who "Live Their Call" to serve in the community. Following the program, circles will reorganize for the next two years.

Your prayers are welcomed for: Dorothy Nickel Friesen, who had back surgery at the Kansas Spine and Specialty Hospital, Wichita, on May 1. Jay Wedel, son of Aleta Rempel, who suffered severe head trauma due to a fall and remains in critical condition at St. Francis Hospital, Wichita.

Hear about Mennonite history from our youth! Two BCMC youth, Caleb and Abby Koontz, along with Lucy Buller from Shalom Mennonite Church, recently completed an extensive research project entitled "Conflict within the Conflict: Mennonite Conscientious Objectors in Central Kansas during World War I." Several BCMC members helped them extensively with their research. Their project won 2nd place at the State History Day competition, which means that they will present their work at the National History Day competition in Washington, D.C., in mid-June. You are invited to come learn about their project on Wed., May 16, 6:30 pm in the BCMC Sanctuary. Caleb, Abby, and Lucy will share stories from their archival research and the interviews they conducted, and will show the final format of their project. Dessert will be served and donations toward the cost of their trip will be gratefully accepted.

Staff: Pastor Susan Wheeler will be out of the office May 7-10. Pastor Dawn Yoder Harms will be on vacation May 12-17.

West Coast Mennonite Men's Chorus (<http://www.wcmmc.com>) performs Sun., May 6, 6 pm at Tabor College, Hillsboro in support of Mennonite Disaster Service's Midwest fire relief efforts. Admission free with a free-will offering to go toward assisting those affected by wildfires in Oklahoma last year.

The Hesston College Chamber Orchestra concert, under the direction of Rebecca Schloneger, will be May 11, 7 pm, Hesston Mennonite Church.

Vacation Bible School 2018 will be May 29-June 1 at BCMC from 8:45 am-11:45 am each morning. Once again, BCMC will partner with New Creation Fellowship for the week. The theme of VBS 2018 is *Peace Lab and it will focus on helping children become practical peacemakers in the way of Jesus. The Faith Formation Commission is still seeking volunteers for several key positions:*

- Preschool group leader
- K & 1-grade group leader
- 6-grade group leader
- Creative response leader
- Active response leader
- Snack coordinator
- Worship helper

If you would like to volunteer for one of these positions, please contact Megan Kohlman or John Tyson. VBS is a fun-filled week of worship, learning, and play. We look forward to another great time together!

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

- **Camp construction** of the new playground, "The Whale" needs volunteers to help! Construction will start soon.
- **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 for June 24-30, July 8-12, July 15-21, and July 29-Aug. 3. Parents receive a camper discount up to full camp fees.

BCMC does a bulk order for Rejoice! the MennoMedia daily devotional magazine for those who pay the **\$29.50** annual subscription fee. Copies are delivered to the church each quarter and put in church mailboxes. Subscription year is Sept. 2018-Aug. 2019. To place an order for *Rejoice!*, complete this form and return it with your payment to the church office **by Mon., June 10.**

Name _____

Make checks payable to Bethel College Mennonite Church; on check memo line write "Rejoice subscription."



Youth events for your calendar:

DR18 applications due to Pastor John as soon as possible
July 21 - 28: DR18 @ Rehoboth Christian School (Gallup, NM)

Mennonite Central Committee is offering free webinars 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. Webinars will be led by church leaders and others with expertise in the topics and 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.

Everence will hold an informative workshop, Social Security and retirement income planning May 7, 6:30 pm, which will cover when to begin taking Social Security, risks that can impact your savings and strategies to help your income last throughout retirement. Workshop is presented by Everence staff and held at the Everence office, 3179 N. Main, North Newton. To reserve a spot, contact Michelle Ramer at (316) 283-3800; (877) 467-7294 or michelle.ramer@everence.com.

May is Mental Health Month, and Prairie View is focused on how a healthy lifestyle may help prevent the onset or worsening of mental health conditions, as well as heart disease, diabetes, obesity and other chronic health problems. It can also help people recover from these conditions. Eating healthy foods, managing stress, exercising, and getting enough sleep can go a long way in making you both physically and mentally healthy. Follow Prairie View on Facebook (@PrairieViewInc) to learn more about the connection between physical and mental health.

You are invited to the 10th anniversary celebration of Iglesia Menonita Casa Betania, Newton, June 10, 4 pm at First Mennonite Church, 429 E 1st. A reception meal will be included - please RSVP by June 3 to Pastor Jaime Cazares: jscazares@cox.net; 316-212-1824.

Bethel College announcements:

- **Bethel College Masterworks concert:** Bach's *Magnificat in D* and Mozart's *Requiem*, featuring the Bethel College Philharmonia, Bethel College Oratorio Chorus & soloists, May 6, 3 pm, Memorial Hall (tickets required)
- **Kauffman Museum's May bird walk** will be May 12, 6:30 am (meet in the museum parking lot) for a walk of 1 to 1.5 hours
- **Jazz on the Green**, May 9, 8 pm, (Krehbiel Auditorium if rain)
- **Bethel College Steel Drum Band concert**, (also featuring *Steel Paradise*) May 10, 7 pm, Memorial Hall
- **Sunday-Afternoon-at-the-Museum program with Reinhild Kauenhoven Janzen and Renae Stucky**, "The Czar Comes to Breakfast: Celebrating 200 Years," with faspas hosted by descendants of Agatha and David Hiebert to follow, May 13, 3 pm, Kauffman Museum
- **Woven concert**, May 13, 7 pm, Memorial Hall
- **The Bethel College Baccalaureate** will be at BCMC May 20, 10 am.