Prayer Requests

Mennonite Mission Network: Diana Cruz and Felipe Preciado, serving with MMN, are on their way to *La Casa Grande* children's village in Benin. Pray for them as they transition from their life in Colombia and participate in orientation in the United States and Spain in the coming weeks Western District Conference: Pray for God's wisdom for WDC's Gifts Discernment Committee as they seek nominees for leadership positions in WDC.

This congregation: Pray for BCMC and New Creation Fellowship's joint Vacation Bible School program beginning Tues., May 29. Give thanks for those who are providing leadership and support and pray that the week may be a time of learning, fun and deepening faith for all those participating.

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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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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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



Bethel College Mennonite Church May 27, 2018—9:30 a.m.

PENTECOST SUNDAY **GATHERING**

Lighting the Christ Candle

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

Prelude

Lord Jesu Christ, Be Present Now

Bach/Boehm Verlene Garber, organist

Call to worship, prayer

Roger Juhnke

*Hymn of praise

Holy Spirit, come with power

HWB 26

(children come forward during hymn)

LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

Children's conversation

Dawn Yoder Harms

Psalm of praise

Psalm 104:24-34

Harold Thieszen

Worship music

Sound the Trumpet

Purcell

Ron Garber and Gyles Garber, vocalists; Caleb Garber, cello

Verlene Garber, accompanist

Scripture reading

Acts 2:1-21

Harold Thieszen

Sermon

Spirit of God moving

Dawn Yoder Harms

RESPONDING IN FAITH

*Hymn

Veni Sancte Spiritus

HWB 298

Bethany Schrag, vocal; Rebecca Schloneger, violin; Verlene Garber, piano

Communion Come, Holy Ghost, Creator Blest
Now the silence

Manz Ore

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

Beach Spring

Held

People with May birthdays come forward for a blessing, please bring a hymnal

*Dedication hymn

Praise God, the Source of life

HWB 95

*Dedication prayer

SENDING

*Sending hymn Move in our midst **HWB 418**

*Benediction

*Benediction response

*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.

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).

We thank Bob Regier for the bulletin cover artwork. "Christians believe that Pentecost was the time when the churches were empowered with God's gift of the Holy Spirit. The descending dove and the flame have symbolized this Spirit from the earliest days of Christian church. In this banner the consistency of the quilt pattern is interrupted by these two symbols. "Bob Regier

Bethel College announcements:

- Centering Prayer will not meet Mon., May 28 (Memorial Day), but continues to meet most Mondays from noon-1 pm in Agape Center in Richert House, Bethel College campus. For more information, contact Nathan Koontz, 2nathankoontz@gmail.com, or Melanie Zuercher, mzuercher@bethelks.edu.
- The public is invited to Walk Sand Creek Trail Day, Sat., June 2, part of National Trails Day®. Water will be available for people and dogs at the trailhead at Memorial Grove on the Bethel College campus, dawn to dusk (6 am-8 pm), courtesy of the Sand Creek Trail Committee.
- **Kauffman Museum First-Saturday Bird Walk.** Join experienced birders <u>June 2, 6:30 am</u>, in the museum parking lot for a walk of 1 to 1.5 hours.

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

If you wish to view pictures of the BCMC Retreat at Camp Mennoscah, follow these links: https://cruxphotos.smugmug.com/History/BCMC-Retreat-2018/ or this shortened URL works, too: http://bit.ly/2rvaY5l
This is a link to the "SmugMug" retreat photo album courtesy of Weldon Schloneger; Dave Linscheid and Orvin Voth also contributed photos.

New Hope Shelter needs: BCMC is responsible for supplying evening (and some night) volunteers as well as meals for the week of May 23 to 29. If anyone has interest or willingness in helping, please contact Valetta Seymour: seymour2314@gmail.com, or call 620-217-7536.

New Hope is looking for groups interested in providing the Saturday Night Life meal for 40-50 people on the 4th Saturday of each month. SNL is a gathering for all former residents of New Hope Shelter.

New Hope is looking for a "Team" of donations sorters and stockers who will oversee incoming donations of food and clothing. This is a great opportunity for a men's/women's group or Bible study group. Hours and times are up to the team. If interested in either of the above, contact James: james@newhope-shelter.org, or call him at 316-283-7711.

Mennonite Church USA invites congregations to be part of the "Learn, Pray, Join" initiative for the Korean Peninsula. Commit to learning more about the history of the Korean Peninsula and the dynamics of tension and conflict there. Pray for peace and clear minds for all leaders engaged in historic talks regarding the future of North and South Korea, and nuclear disarmament using MCC's "A prayer for peace in North Korea". Consider ways you can actively promote peace in this region. Learn more: http://mennoniteusa.org/korea/.

Summer is here and the Newton Et Cetera Shop is a great place to spend your time by becoming a summer volunteer, if you have a few hours to give back to our community once a month or once a week. Pick up a volunteer application, download one at newtonetceterashop.com/volunteer, or fill one out at our new volunteer orientation June 5, 6 pm. Volunteers are needed to help with clothing, dolls, electronics, bikes, housewares and as clerks. Evening and Saturday spots are available, as well as weekday shifts. Newton Et Cetera Shop is an MCC Thrift Shop, and gives away 100% of its proceeds.

Friends of the Kauffman Museum, know that the Search Committee for a director of the museum continues its work and is receiving applications. We welcome nominations. For job description and application go to https://kauffman.bethelks.edu/Director-Search-2018

Calling all Mennonite Central Committee volunteers! Please save the date for our Volunteer Appreciation event <u>June 13, 5-7 pm</u> at MCC Central States in North Newton!

Mennonite Central Committee has one last free webinar for churches who want to learn more about how to encourage healthy sexuality and healthy masculinity among members. The webinar, *Healthy Masculinity* will be <u>June 13, 2-3 pm</u>, led by church leaders and others with expertise in the topic. Learn more and register for the webinar at mcc.org/wwso. Contact karinkaufmanwall@mcc.org with questions.

Mennonite Central Committee is looking for new canner operators. This two year service term is unique and offers the opportunity to travel around the U.S. and Canada, working as a team while meeting new people. Check out mcc.org/canning for details, or contact heidihuber@mcc.org.

Western District Conference seeks to establish a ministry team of persons located in different areas of the conference, who can provide language interpretation for WDC meetings and events in order to enhance participation by individuals who speak different languages. Assessment, orientation and training will be provided for Team members, as well as some financial compensation through grant funds WDC has received. Contact WDC at 316-283-6300 or wdc@mennowdc.org if you have skills in a second language and are interested in applying or learning more about this ministry opportunity.

Dove's Nest and Mennonite Women USA are partnering to sponsor a summer event: *Empowering Women: Claiming Healthy Personal Boundaries* <u>July 26</u> <u>-27</u> in Omaha, NE. This will resource both women and girls (age 13-18) with supporting funds from the Schowalter Foundation. For more information and registration: https://dovesnest.net/Claiming-Healthy-Personal-Boundaries

The Next Week at BCMC: May 27—June 3, 2018

Sunday, May 27, 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
- Agape—Fellowship Hall
- Bible Study—Rm 14—*Testing "A Statement of Common Purpose"* by two Church Board representatives
- Book Study & Conversation—*The Year of Small Things* —Back of sanctuary with Jill Robb and Megan Kohlman
- Catacombs—Rm B5—What I learn from those I serve, Eric Massanari
- 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—Serving with medical team on Mercy Ship, Bill Swartley
- Sojourners—Chapel—Stories from times of service, John and Mary Gaeddert

Monday, May 28—Memorial Day—Office will be closed

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

Tuesday, May 29—Vacation Bible School—8:45 am to 11:45 am

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

Wednesday, May 30—Vacation Bible School—8:45 am to 11:45 am

10:00 am Bulletin announcement deadline

Thursday, May 31—Vacation Bible School—8:45 am to 11:45 am

Friday, June 1—Vacation Bible School—8:45 am to 11:45 am

Sunday, June 3—Vacation Bible School Sunday

10:00 am Gathering in Fellowship Hall

10:30 am Worship—No Sunday school—Hamburger fry in the church picnic area follows the service (fundraiser for the Senior High Youth Group)

Pray for those receiving medical care this week: Clara Koehn, Newton Medical Center; Berneil Mueller, Wesley Medical Center. Dorothy Nickel Friesen is home recuperating from back surgery and a bout of pancreatitis. Richard Friesen was admitted to Newton Medical Center and is now at home recovering from fever and vertigo. Since both need a lot of rest, please no visitors or phone calls; emails are greatly appreciated. Daughters from Bluffton and Wichita are providing care.

If you are in the hospital and would like pastors to be informed, please notify the church office, as area hospitals do not routinely notify pastors of hospitalizations.

We offer sympathy to Florine Eitzen and her extended family on the death of Abe Eitzen (Stan's brother), May 14 in Lawrence, KS.

Community Playschool, Inc. has recently completed another school **year.** Thirty-five children of the Newton community have participated in the program this year at a minimal cost to their families, thanks to five area churches and United Way. We again want to thank BCMC for being one of those supporting churches through monetary donations, the use of the facilities, secretarial and custodial services and a welcoming attitude toward our program. It is nice to have a home here! We want to acknowledge the service of Clifferd Dick as BCMC's representative on our board. Barb Voran, Bonnie Krehbiel, Lela Schmidt, Stahli Claassen, Annette Lamp, Cynthia Linscheid, Jeanette Stucky, and Margaret Toews have served as teachers, helpers, and substitutes this year. These volunteers help make it possible for us to continue to provide an affordable preschool experience to families who need it most. We also are grateful for the matching grant that we received from this church through the Everence Sharing Fund, to the Women's Fellowship for their donation and to the Seekers Sunday school class for their donation toward our book give away program. A big thanks to Monica Lichti and Mike Crawford for their extra duties related to our being housed here at BCMC! We solicit your prayers and continued support as we seek an assistant director and look forward to another year. ~ *Jeanette Leary, Director*

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.

Dear BCMC family, Thank you so much for supporting our project on Mennonite conscientious objectors in WWI. We were excited to have so many people attend our presentation and we really appreciate the financial gifts. We are also grateful for all the church members who helped us with our research. We're looking forward to visiting the US Institute of Peace and seeing many other sites in Washington, D.C. when we attend National History Day, June 10-14. Here is the final version of our website:

http://98280678.nhd.weebly.com/

With thanks, Caleb Koontz, Abby Koontz, and Lucy Buller

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*.

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

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

- **Construction of the Whale playground** at Camp continues. Volunteers are needed. Work days are May 18-19, May 25-26, June 1-2, and the week of June 3. Contact 620-297-3290 or office@campmennoscah.org
- *Beyond Belief! The Universe of God* is the theme for summer youth camps. Register campers online today at campmennoscah.org.
- **Camp is seeking kitchen helpers** for summer youth camps for <u>June 24-30</u> and <u>July 15-21</u>. Parents receive a camper discount up to full camp fees.
- **The Camp website** looks brand new. (campmennoscah.org) It has the same address and information, but a different format and image. You can tell them what you can't find or what doesn't work well. The switch was made possible by a generous donation by Dan K. and the Foundation for Educational Services/SOCS.
- **Camp needs hairdryers** to use for a craft this fall with the Mental Health Spiritual Retreat. (They are going to melt crayons into designs.) If you have a working hair dryer that you no longer want, contact Camp Mennoscah at 620-297-3290 or office@campmennoscah.org

Everence will host an all-inclusive retirement planning workshop June 2, 9—11:30 am. Topics will include Medicare, Social Security and retirement income planning, presented by Everence staff at the Everence office, 3179 N. Main St., North Newton. Reserve a spot by contacting Michelle Ramer at (316) 283-3800; (877) 467-7294 or michelle.ramer@everence.com.

The 2018 Western District Conference Annual Assembly will be July 27-28 in South Central Kansas. More details and registration information will be posted during the last week of May at: http://mennowdc.org/annual-assembly/#2018annualAssembly

Summer Story Hour at the Western District Conference Resource Library will be led by Marjie Warkentine, Mondays, June 4-July 9 at 10 am. This summer, ages 3-8 will have fun with the theme of Creepy Crawlies: Bugs and More! Register by May 31 at https://goo.gl/forms/wlzeX9FZbFoNYBW32 or by calling the library at (316) 283-6300.

May 13 at BCMC Attendance: 233. General Fund \$7,605; Living Stones \$820; Church Retreat \$2,169.75; Transfer-Gen. \$632.92; *Rejoice* \$59; VBS Fund \$105. May 20 (Baccalaureate) Attendance: 389. General Fund \$9,482.92; Living Stones \$2,300; MCC Meat Canning \$500; Plant Fund \$50; *Rejoice* \$295; VBS Fund \$255; Kitchen-Coffee \$13.



Youth events for your calendar:

June 3: End of VBS Hamburger Fry fundraiser July 21 - 28: DR18 @ Rehoboth Christian School (Gallup, NM)