

## Prayer Requests

**Mennonite Mission Network:** This month, Jane and Jerrell Ross Richer and their four children leave Ecuador to begin the North American portion of their two-way mission through MMN. Pray for them as they transition between cultures and bring God's call to faithfulness to churches in the U.S.

**Western District Conference:** Pray for the fellowship, wisdom and joy of the Spirit to be with all who gather for WDC's annual assembly next weekend.

**This congregation:** Pray for all those leading and gathering for the Western District Conference Assembly this coming weekend.

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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**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:** Addie Regier



**Bethel College Mennonite Church**  
**July 22, 2018**

**July 15 at BCMC Attendance:** 196. General Fund \$7,533.67; Living Stones \$600; Funeral \$375; Bethel College Scholarship Fund \$500; Mennonite Camping Scholarship \$167; Ruby Reimer Memorial \$50.

**Bethel College Mennonite Church**  
**July 22, 2018 Worship—9:30 a.m.**

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**THINGS THAT MAKE FOR PEACE**  
**Making Peace with Polarized Neighbors**

**GATHERING**

Lighting the Christ Candle

*During the prelude, please observe a time of silence  
as we open ourselves to God's presence among us.*

Prelude *Promised Land* arr. Baker  
*This is my Father's world* arr. Mitchell  
Bell Ensemble; Vada Snider, flute

Call to worship, prayer Sara Dick

\*Gathering hymn *Here in this place* **HWB 6**

(children come forward during hymn)

**LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD**

Children's conversation Carol Flickinger

Scripture reading Deuteronomy 15: 7-11, Proverbs 31-8-9  
Luke 14: 7-24  
Karen Ediger

Worship music *Be still my soul [Finlandia]* Sibelius; arr. Mitchell  
Bell Ensemble; Vada Snider flute

Sermon *Peace and reconciliation, but with who?* Tim Hodge

**RESPONDING IN FAITH**

\*Hymn *Lord, whose love in humble service* **HWB 369**

Prayer of God's people Sara Dick

Offering

Offertory *Holy manna* arr. Thompson

*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 *Lord of all good* **STJ 60**

\*Dedication prayer

**SENDING**

\*Sending hymn *Let there be light, Lord God* **STJ 67**

Benediction

Benediction response *The everlasting hills* Wiltse  
Bell Ensemble

\*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. 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).

**Please be in prayer for those receiving medical care this week:** Elsie Flaming, St. Francis Hospital, Wichita; Rosemary Moyer at Newton Medical Center.

**Thank you** to Weldon Schloneger for the picture of the broken vessel on the bulletin cover.

**New Hope Shelter's Cupboards are Bare** and they are in urgent need of the following items: All-purpose cleaning spray, Bleach cleaning spray, Pine-Sol, Napkins, Paper Towels, Toilet Paper, Boxed Cereal, 55 gallon trash bags, Laundry pods, Dishwasher pods. Donations are accepted from 8 am to 8 pm daily at 900 W. Broadway, Building 7 Newton. See the notice on the bulletin board.

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

**Mark your calendars for the 2018 Women's and Girl's Retreat** at Camp MennoScah, *Be Brave, Be Bold, Be You!* Sept. 7-9. Rachel Ringenberg Miller, pastor of Shalom Mennonite, Newton, will be the featured speaker. Many fun and meaningful activities and seminars are being planned for women and girls 3rd grade and older. Registration forms are due August 27.

**Western District Conference Music Library** needs a volunteer for 2-3 hours a month. The Music Library Volunteer would communicate with patrons who have scores checked out, sort through music donations, deciding which to integrate into the collection, and return borrowed music to the files. Ask Jennie Wintermote for more information at [crlib@mennowdc.org](mailto:crlib@mennowdc.org).

**Join Mennonite Central Committee on a Learning Tour** to explore the root causes of migration in Guatemala and Honduras, Nov. 7-17. Guatemala and Honduras, are countries from which the US, and increasingly Mexico, are receiving the majority of its immigrants and are within the top 10 most violent countries in the world, plagued by gang presence, political corruption, and lack of economic opportunity. MCC seeks to educate and expose Learning Tour participants to the realities that many people face that result in migration. This tour will provide firsthand stories, opportunities to meet the people as well as the organizations that are walking with them, participate in the rich culture, and witness the efforts of Guatemalans and Hondurans who are striving for positive change in their communities. We will learn about how our decisions impact migrants, plant the seeds for ongoing connections, and practical ways to support and advocate for the people and communities in these countries. Approximate cost will be \$700 (plus airfare). For more information or to sign up for this trip contact [chrislandes@mcc.org](mailto:chrislandes@mcc.org).

## The Next Week at BCMC: July 22—July 29, 2018

### Sunday, July 22, 2018

**10:30 am** Fellowship Time in the Gathering Place

**10:50 am** Faith Formation—Visitors welcome!

**Sunday School for children and youth on hiatus until August.**

- Agape—Fellowship Hall
- Bible Study—Rm 14—On hiatus for the summer
- Catacombs—Rm B5—On hiatus for the summer
- 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
- Sojourners—Chapel—On hiatus for the summer

### Monday, July 23

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

**7:00 pm** Library Committee—Rm 14

### Tuesday, July 24

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

### Wednesday, July 25

**10:00 am** Bulletin announcement deadline

### Thursday, July 26

**3:00 pm** Witness Commission—Room B7

### Friday, July 27

**6:00 pm** Wedding rehearsal in the sanctuary

### Saturday, July 28

**5:00 pm** Wedding in the sanctuary

### Sunday, July 29

**9:30 am** Worship with sermon by Eric Massanari; music by Andrew Thiesen, trombone

**10:30 am** Fellowship Time in the Gathering Place

**10:50 am** Faith Formation

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**Staff:** Pastor Susan Jantzen will be out of the office July 18-22. Pastor Susan Wheeler will be out of the office July 20-22. Pastor Dawn Yoder Harms will be with the Senior High Youth group in New Mexico July 20-28.



**Youth events: Senior High Youth are at the**  
Rehoboth Christian School (Gallup, NM) from July 21-28

**What is our purpose as a congregation? The church board invites your response to a proposed statement of common purpose that seeks to describe what unites and drives our activities.** The drafted statement reads: *Our faith in a God of love leads us to follow Jesus in doing justice, loving mercy, and walking humbly with God.* Read a related article in the July-August newsletter and share your reactions and comments at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/VRPWQ7T> by August 19. Hard copies are available near the church mailboxes. You can place completed forms in the box in the Gathering Place. All BCMC members and friends are encouraged to participate. Thank you!

**HYMNAL FUND:** *Voices Together*, the new Mennonite hymnal, has a 2020 release date. Hymn selections and pricing are not finalized, so BCMC has made no decisions about the new hymnal. Worship Commission has planned ahead by establishing a special Hymnal Fund. This fund is available for contributions towards a potential BCMC purchase of new hymnals in 2020. To date, this fund has over \$6,000 in contributions and memorial gifts.

**Thank you to the BCMC community,** Open Circle Sunday School class, and friends. We are grateful for the many expressions of care with Dorothy's two surgeries and long recovery process and Richard's surprising hospitalization in May. Each card, email, phone call, meal, prayer or message gave us courage and calm during anxious times. *Richard and Dorothy Nickel Friesen*

**Prayer Network** is an email (or phone) ministry of the Deacon Commission to provide prayer support when requested. To be added to the list, contact: [office@bethelcollegemennonitechurch](mailto:office@bethelcollegemennonitechurch) or call Monica at 316-283-3667. You will be given an orientation sheet regarding confidentiality and process. Thank you to the people who already are on the prayer network.

**Mennonite Church USA invites you** to take part in the Journey Forward process by using the newly released "Pathways" study guide. "Pathways" invites you and groups to engage in studying Scripture, singing, praying, storytelling, exploring Anabaptist history and values, and discussing how you see God working in your lives. <http://mennoniteusa.org/journey-forward/>

**BCMC men of all ages are invited** to the 16th annual campout at Walnut Grove Campground, Harvey County Park West, Fri. eve. to Sat. mid-morning, Aug. 24-25. Come simply to fellowship, eat together and relax with others. Attend on your own, or with a son(s) or friend(s). Arrive Fri. 6:30 pm or after. Bring your own meat plus a side dish to share around 7:30 pm. If staying overnight (optional), bring your own camping gear and breakfast food to share Sat. am. For more info contact Dave Linscheid, 316-727-6967, [dave.linscheid@gmail.com](mailto:dave.linscheid@gmail.com).

**Offering Card.** Several people who give electronically or give a major gift once a year have expressed that they would like to participate in some way when the offering plate comes along their pew. The Finance Committee has designed a simple "offering card" that reads, "This card is a physical reminder of my commitment to participate in God's Kingdom here at Bethel College Mennonite Church by giving electronically or in ways other than regular offerings." Take as many cards as serve your purpose from the small box between the mailboxes. Then place one in the offering plate at a schedule of your choosing. Assistant treasurers will return cards from the offering plate to the box so you can pick up additional cards in the future. The Finance Committee will evaluate at a future date.

**Western District Annual Assembly** features a *free* concert for the whole family on Sat., July 28, 7 pm, Eden Mennonite Church, Moundridge. Bryan Moyer Suderman, folk singer/song-writer, connects with all ages. Invite your friends and neighbors for a relaxing evening. Come for the whole Annual Assembly July 27-28. For more information and to register, go to: <http://mennowdc.org/annual-assembly/#2018annualAssembly>

**Camp Mennoscah :** online: [campmennoscah.org](http://campmennoscah.org) or 620-297-3290

- **Young Adult Retreat** at Camp Mennoscah, Aug. 3-5. All young adults (18 years old and older) are invited to Camp Mennoscah, to do favorite camp activities. Register online at [campmennoscah.org](http://campmennoscah.org) and pick your own level of scholarship. We want everyone to be able to attend.
- **Camp Mennoscah's Annual Camp Sing** will be Aug. 12, 6:30 pm at Hesston Mennonite Church. There will be popcorn, generic pop, singing, and many camp friends. It's a time to rejoice in all the good friends and good times at Camp Mennoscah!