Prayer Requests

Mennonite Mission Network: Soon after Connie and Dennis Byler began their retirement from four decades of ministry with MMN, Dennis was diagnosed with cancer. Dennis underwent surgery last month. Pray for signs of God's presence and peace for the Byler family in Spain as they discern treatment protocols.

Western District Conference: Pray for members of the WDC Resource Commission as they meet this week to encourage congregations in faith formation, evangelism, justice, peacemaking, and youth ministry.

This congregation: Pray for Susan Jantzen as she joins BCMC's pastoral team as Bridge Pastor of Faith Formation on July 10.

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

Associate Pastor for Pastoral Care: Susan Wheeler; Day off Friday cell phone: 316-706-0887; Email: susan@bethelcollegemennonitechurch.org **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

July 1 at BCMC Attendance: 195. General Fund \$15,691; Living Stones \$5,415; Caring Fund \$150; Organ Fund \$50; Bethel College Scholarship Fund \$600; Thelma Bartel Memorial \$3,000; Mennonite Camp Scholarship Fund \$60.50.



Bethel College Mennonite Church July 8, 2018

Bethel College Mennonite Church July 8, 2018 Worship—9:30 a.m.

Things that Make for Peace MAKING PEACE WITH CONFLICT

Lighting the Christ Candle

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

Prelude Lord, keep us steadfast in your word

J. Bender

Greta Hiebert, organ

Call to worship, prayer

John Esau

*Hymn of praise What is this place

HWB 1

(children come forward during hymn)

LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

Children's conversation

Dawn Yoder Harms

Special Music

Lady of the Harbor

poem by Emma Lazarus, music by Lee Hoiby Chris Lehman, soprano; Greta Hiebert, organ

Scripture Reading

Acts 4:32-35; 6:1-7

Elizabeth Tran

Sermon

Dawn Yoder Harms

RESPONDING IN FAITH

*Hymn O day of peace

HWB 408

Prayer of God's people

John Esau

Offering

Offertory Lord, keep us steadfast in your word Buxtehude 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

STI 60

STI 77

*Dedication prayer

SENDING

*Sending hymn The peace of the earth be with you

Sing twice

*Benediction

*Benediction Response

*Postlude *My heart rejoices in summertime*

Brahms

*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 offer sympathy to Dolores Wedel, Janine Wedel, Edward Wedel and Melissa Manda and their extended families on the death of their husband and father, Arnold Wedel, June 30, 2018. The memorial service will be Aug. 18, 10 am at BCMC.

Please be in prayer for those receiving medical care this week: Elsie Flaming has moved to Select Specialty Hospital, 6th floor of the St. Francis Hospital, Wichita.

Welcome to Pastor Susan Jantzen, who will begin as Bridge Pastor for Faith Formation on July 10.

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

Over the years our hymnals have aged. They are worn and tattered. The new collection of hymns that has our favorites, both old and new will be in a worship and song collection entitled *Voices Together*. Everence and Mennonite Central Committee US have partnered with MennoMedia to make this collection affordable for congregations. If you wish to contribute to this effort, the matching gift campaign is called "Voices Together, Giving Together. Every dollar you give will be doubled. You can donate by going to: voicestogetherhymnal.org

Bluestem Communities invites everybody to the "Innovations in Living with Dementia" Community Forum, <u>July 18, 6 pm.</u> at Hesston Mennonite Church, 309 S. Main, Hesston. The event will feature interactive booths, resources for caregivers and a Q&A session with a gentleman who has been diagnosed with early dementia and his wife.

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

Smart Living, Simple Money is a podcast produced by and for young adults, sponsored by The Mennonite, Inc., and Everence focusing on how financial decisions impact, and are impacted by, our faith, values and daily lives. Each episode is built around personal stories, expert information and practical tips for managing everyday finances, with 4 episodes in the first season. Topics include debt, budgeting, big purchases, and retirement savings. For more information see smartlivingsimplemoney.com

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/

Mark your calendars for the 2018 Women's and Girl's Retreat at Camp Mennoscah 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. Program details along with registration materials will be sent out in Mid-July.

Camp Mennoscah's Annual Camp Sing will be <u>Aug. 12, 6:30 pm</u> 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!

The Next Week at BCMC: July 8—July 15, 2018

Sunday, July 8, 2018

10:30 am Fellowship Time in the Gathering Place with coffee/water/tea **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
- 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 9

10:00 am Memorial for Rubie Reimer—Sanctuary

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

6:30 pm Bell ensemble practice—Rm B7 **7:00 pm** Finance Committee—Rm 14

7:00 pm Facilities Committee—Fellowship Hall

Tuesday, July 10

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

2:00 pm Hospitality Commission—Rm B7

Wednesday, July 11

10:00 am Bulletin announcement deadline

Saturday, July 14

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

Sunday, July 15

9:30 am Worship with sermon by Dawn Yoder Harms; music by Keith Eitzen, French horn

10:30 am Fellowship Time in the Gathering Place

10:50 am Faith Formation



Youth events for your calendar:

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

Allies needed for Circles of Hope: To learn more, attend the Information Night July 10, 6:30 pm, at the 1st United Methodist Church. Dinner served from 5:30—6:15 pm. For more information, contact Jeanette Stucky.

The memorial service for Rubie Reimer will be Monday, July 9, 10 am at BCMC.

Thank you to those who have agreed to serve on the Pastoral Search Committee for Associate Pastor for Faith Formation: Dave Linscheid, chair; Dale Schrag; Carol Flickinger; Suzy Burch; Marlene Ewert; Dawn Yoder Harms (ex officio). Your prayers are welcomed as this committee enters into this important work.

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 through his simple, but profound, scripture songs. 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

All women are invited to the Western District Women in Mission annual meeting at WDC's 2018 Annual Assembly. Women will share lunch together (\$12) from 12:30-1:30 pm Sat., July 28 at Eden Mennonite Church, 401 18th Ave, Moundridge. Following a brief business meeting, Karen Mascho will speak and there will be opportunity to meet the incoming Executive Director of Mennonite Women USA. To register, send your name and \$12 to WDC, PO Box 306, North Newton, KS 67117 by July 13.

The 2018 issue of *Mennonite Life*, Bethel College's annual online journal, is now live at ml.bethelks.edu.

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

- **Summer youth camps** are in full swing with the theme of *Beyond Belief: The Universe of God.* There are still openings for most camps.
- To Senior High Wait List campers: Camp is working diligently to get as many of you as possible to Camp Mennoscah. Campers will be notified as spaces are found. They hope that everything will fall into place, but cannot yet guarantee this. Email Camp Mennoscah with any questions at olivia.bartel@campmennoscah.org
- **Camp is looking for a nurse** for <u>July 15-21</u>. Contact camp at 620-297-3290 or olivia.bartel@campmennoscah.org. They would love to have a nurse for the full week, but let them know if you'd be able to do a partial week, too. Stipend, wonderful camp meals, and lots of amazing campers and staff to be with!

Julie Hart will be giving a presentation at KIPCOR on her book released earlier this year: Pathways to Pacifism and Antiwar Activism among US Veterans: the role of moral identity in personal transformation. Julie taught sociology and peace studies at Bethel College from 1994-2006, and is presently teaching at Ohio Dominican College in Columbus, Ohio. The book is a result of interviews with 114 US veterans including 12 current Mennonites and answers the question, how do significant changes from pro war to antiwar occur. She will also discuss recommendations for the church based on the study. Presentation will be July 17, 7-8:30 pm, at KIPCOR, 2515 College Ave., North Newton.

As immigration policy and enforcement continues to shift in the United States the Western District Immigration Task Force encourages you to engage in study and prayer about issues relating to immigrants and refugees in our country. Please read the faith leaders' response to recent events that Glen Guyton, Executive Director of MC USA, signed onto. We also ask you to review the press release, "By What Authority?" released by the administrative cabinet of AMBS.

Whitestone Mennonite Church and Hesston Mennonite Church, in Hesston, are partnering together to offer a series of events - a concert, worship, evening workshop sessions, intergenerational mini-retreat - aimed at helping all ages to grow their faith, July 21-24. Bryan Moyer Suderman, an itinerant singer-songwriter and Bible teacher from Kitchener, Ontario, will explore and use a variety of tools for cultivating faith in the soil of our everyday lives. See poster on bulletin board or go to www.whitestonemc.com.