

Prayer Requests

Mennonite Mission Network: MMN's Journey International program has participants in Benin, Requiyah Johnson, and in Ecuador, Maura Longenecker and Samantha Miller. Pray for these three young women as they adapt to new cultures, languages and communities. May God use their gifts to build the global church.

Western District Conference: Pray for God's blessing and inspiration for all who gather at the WDC Year of Evangelism event, Telling the Jesus Story – Testimony Seminar, next weekend in Dallas, TX.

This congregation: Pray for eyes to see justice breaking through among us.

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
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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

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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

Sept. 30 at BCMC Attendance: General Fund \$13,427.95; Living Stones \$450; Wed. night supper \$310; Sr Hi Youth \$420; Transfer-Funeral \$310.16; Bethel College Scholarship Fund \$500.



Bethel College Mennonite Church

October 21, 2018

9:30 am

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 *A Mighty Fortress is our God* Cor Kee
Verlene Garber, organ

Introit *As the Deer* arr. Wagner
Chancel Bells; Vada Snider, director
Bethany Amstutz and Susan Jantzen, vocals

Welcome Keith Sprunger

Congregational Reading

LEADER: Jesus taught us to speak of hope as the coming of God's kingdom.

**ALL: We believe that God is at work in our world turning
hopeless and evil situations into good.**

**We believe that goodness and justice and love will triumph in the
end and that tyranny and oppression cannot last forever.**

**One day all tears will be wiped away; the lamb will lie down with the
lion, and justice will roll down like a mighty stream.**

LEADER: True peace and true reconciliation are not only desired, they
are assured and guaranteed in Christ.

ALL: This is our faith. This is our hope.

Prayer

*Hymn of praise *Jesus calls us here to meet him* **STJ 3**
(children come forward during hymn)

LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

Children's conversation Adam Robb

Worship music *Canticle of the Turning* arr. Thompson
Chancel Bells

Scripture reading Ecclesiastes 3:1-8 Jonah and Matt Schloneger

Sermon *With all deliberate speed* Rachel Waltner Goossen

RESPONDING IN FAITH

*Hymn *Oh, holy city seen of John* **HWB 320**

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 *Consolation* Burkhardt

*Dedication hymn *Lead on, O cloud of Presence* **HWB 419**

*Dedication prayer

SENDING

*Sending hymn *Guide my feet (plural)* **HWB 546**

Verse 1: Guide our feet.....

Verse 2: Hold our hands....

Verse 3: Search our hearts.....

*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 and thank you to our guest preacher this morning, Rachel Waltner Goossen, the Menno Simons lecturer this year at Bethel College. Rachel Goossen has taught at Washburn University since 2000. She is a graduate of Bethel College with a B.A. in history, and has an M.A. in history from the University of California-Santa Barbara, and a Ph.D. in history from the University of Kansas. Rachel is the daughter of BCMC member, Lenore Waltner.

Join Mennonite Central Committee on an epic trekking journey through Nepal, [Apr. 1-19, 2019](#). This is a 12 day hiking tour through Nepal to see how MCC partner organization Shanti Nepal is working with community strengths at the grassroots level to address vulnerabilities to natural disasters and visit KOSHISH to see how they're supporting mental health and rehabilitation for those living with severe trauma and psychosocial distress. MCC is seeking college students, trauma studies researchers and practitioners, mental health professionals, engineers and ANYONE who enjoys hiking and is interested in learning more about what resilience looks like in the context of MCC in Nepal! Contact jordanpenner@mcc.org; see mcc.org/nepal-learning-tour for info.

A Loaded Conversation an invitation to talk about guns: Guns are part of our lives, whether or not we own or use them. With encouragement and input from pastors and others in the church, MCC U.S. has created this resource to help congregations stay at the table to address the topic of guns. This print resource includes a conversation guide, ways to engage, Bible studies and worship resources. Download the resource and find more ways to engage on the topic at mcc.org/loaded-conversations.

You are invited to the Chicken BBQ at Tabor Church, 891 Chisholm Trail, Newton, [Nov. 1, 5-7 pm](#) with BBQ chicken, baked beans, slaw & ice cream. Donations go to Mennonite Men Join Hands Program & Tabor Building Project.

BBQ & Bluegrass at the First Mennonite of Halstead's Annual Hog Roast [Oct. 21, 5-7 pm](#), at the Gazebo in the Scout Park in Halstead (3rd & Locust St). Bring lawn chairs for the come and go event featuring music by "Kilometer 81" (the Ken & Amy Regier Family) and a pulled pork dinner. Proceeds will support New Hope Shelter in Newton and ongoing relief efforts at Academia Menonita Betania in Puerto Rico which serves children kindergarten through 10th grade and was severely damaged by hurricanes in 2017. In case of inclement weather, the event will be held in the church directly south of the park at 427 W 4th.

Mark your calendars: The 2019 Western District Conference Annual Assembly will be held [July 26-27](#) at Bethel College in North Newton.

MennoMedia needs your help to make the new *Voices Together* hymnal a reality by Fall 2020. Before any copies of *Voices Together* are sold, MennoMedia will invest more than \$700,000. Everence and Mennonite Central Committee U.S. have issued a matching grant challenge of up to \$100,000 to help MennoMedia in this final fund-raising effort. Help ensure that *Voices Together* will be affordably priced for congregations. [Make a gift today and have it doubled!](#) Give at VoicesTogetherHymnal.org. Every voice matters. Every dollar counts.

It's Supper Time at BCMC! Wednesday supper Oct. 24, 6 pm, in Fellowship Hall. To make reservations for supper, complete this form and place in the offering, or call church office, 316-283-3667 or email the office by 10 am Mon., Oct. 22. Cost is \$5/person or \$15/family per meal. Please bring your own table service. **Meal reservation(s) for Oct. 24**
 Number attending meal ___ Name: _____



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

- **Scrapbook and Crafts Retreats** are Oct. 26-28 and Nov. 2-4.
- **Christmas Gathering for all Camp Mennoscah volunteers** (counselors, program directors, cooks, nurses, staffers.) Dec. 15, 2:30 pm for conversation, cookies, games and fun. Families invited to join.
- **Camp is looking for people to help host weekends** which means helping with dishes, starting the campfire, making popcorn, or other things when groups are at camp. Contact olivia.bartel@campmennoscah.org or call.

The KIPCOR Film Series continues Sun, Nov. 4, 2 pm (note the earlier-than-usual time,) with "Digital Disconnect." A look at how commercialization and capitalism have radically altered the original purpose of the Internet, and even poses a threat to Democracy itself. The afternoon will conclude with a post-film discussion with Jennifer Cole, co-founder of DepICT Media in Wichita.

The Western District Conference Israel-Palestine Task Force encourages you to get to know your Jewish neighbors as our Mennonite Church USA delegate resolution, "Seeking Peace in Israel and Palestine" invites us to do. You have an opportunity to take a fun first step by attending Congregation Emanu-El's Deli Day. Enjoy some New York-style Jewish cuisine and take a tour of the synagogue, Nov. 11, 11 am-5 pm (dine-in 11 am-2 pm), 7011 E Central, Wichita. Call 316-684-5148 with questions.

ALL NEW WOMEN'S RETREAT AT RMMC! Women's Retreat at Rocky Mountain Mennonite Camp will be March 15-17, 2019! Retreat, hike, explore, rest, fellowship, laugh, and more. The weekend is geared towards women ages 18 and older with worship sessions led by Anita Amstutz. She will guide each session along themes from her book, "Soul Tending: Journey into the Heart of Sabbath", calling us back to the living waters that Jesus offered the Woman at the Well. Some weekend activities include: a relaxed schedule, hikes, crochet & knit corner, beekeeping conversations, worship times, great food, puzzles / board games, coffee and coloring, chair massage, volunteer projects opportunities, and more! Register online today (www.rmmc.org).

The Next Week at BCMC: October 21-28, 2018

Sunday, October 21, 2018

- 10:30 am** Fellowship Time in the Gathering Place
10:50 am Faith Formation—Visitors welcome!
- Infants & Toddlers—Nursery at back of the sanctuary
 - Pre-K through 2nd grade in **B4**; 3-4th grade in **B3**; 5-8th grade in **Room 26**
 - Senior High students—Room 22
 - Agape—Fellowship Hall
 - Bible Study—Rm 14—*OT: Ezra & Nehemiah*, Dr. Douglas Miller
 - Catacombs—Rm B5—Rachel Waltner Goossen: Menno Simon's Lecturer for 2018
 - 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—*An Indigenous Learning Community*-video
 - Sojourners—Chapel—*Newfoundland Journeys*, Weldon Schloneger
- 12:00 noon** Catacombs Sunday school class lunch in Fellowship Hall

Monday, October 22

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

Tuesday, October 23

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

Wednesday, October 24

- 8:00 am** Staff worship planning at Mojo's, Bethel College campus
10:00 am Bulletin announcement deadline
4:00 pm Visual Arts Committee—Rm 14
5:00 pm Gifts Discernment Committee—Rm 23
6:00 pm Wednesday night suppers—Fellowship Hall
6:30 pm Discussion—*What does the future church look like?*—Fellowship Hall
6:30 pm Cherub Choir—Rm 24 and Junior Choir—Rm 28
7:00 pm Senior High Youth —Rm 22
7:15 pm Journey Club—Rm B8 **7:15 pm** Junior High Club—Rm 26
7:30 pm Chancel Choir—Sanctuary **8:30 pm** Chancel Bells—Rm B7

Thursday, October 25

- 9:00 am—11 am** Transition Task Force—Rm 14
2:00 pm Bereavement Group—Rm 21
7:00 pm Deacon Commission—Rm B7

Friday, October 26

11:00 am Memorial service for Lou Gomez, Jr.—Sanctuary

Saturday, October 27

4:00 pm Private inurnment service for Howard Buller—Columbarium

Sunday, October 28—Stewardship Sunday

- 9:30 am** Worship with sermon by Dawn Yoder Harms; music by Chancel Choir and Junior 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.

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).

BCMC Staff: Pastor Dawn Yoder Harms will be out of town Oct 17-23.

Pastor Susan Jantzen will be out of the office from Oct 24-28.

Youth Group Fundraiser: Menno's Best Coffee, 12oz bag for \$15. Details and order sheet in the Gathering Place after the service, or ask any youth group member. Funds will be used to go to Convention next summer.

What does the future church look like? How do we see ourselves in relation to other U.S. Anabaptist/Mennonite congregations? For five Wednesday evenings beginning Oct. 3 from 6:30-7:25 pm, in Fellowship Hall, you are invited to interact with the same questions that the Future Church Summit at MCUSA's Orlando gathering discussed at the summer 2017 convention. We will then compare our comments with the outcomes of the Orlando gathering. Join the discussion – your input is important. Facilitated by several leaders from the Open Circle Sunday School Class.

We offer sympathy to Elizabeth Raid and her extended family on the death of Elizabeth's husband, Lou Gomez, Jr. Lou died Oct. 17 at Newton Medical Center. The worship celebration of Lou's life will be Fri., Oct. 26, 11 am at BCMC. Thank you for your loving compassion and care during this journey.
~ *Elizabeth Raid and family*

We offer sympathy to Howard Lohrentz and his extended family on the death of Howard's brother, Vernon Lohrentz, Oct. 13 at Kidron Bethel Village. Vernon's memorial was Oct. 20 at Shalom Mennonite Church, Newton.

Safwat Marzouk from Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary will preach at BCMC Nov. 4. Safwat is Associate Professor of Old Testament/Hebrew Bible and will speak from Ruth 2, focusing on the interactions between hosts and migrants. Safwat is in the area for the Bethel College Bible Lecture series Nov. 4 and 5.

Congratulations to Ben and Susan Harder, Sioux Falls, SD, on the birth of their baby boy, Roy Willis Harder on Oct. 13 in Sioux Falls. Ben is the son of Dorothy (Stucky Harder) Janzen (Keith Janzen), grandson of Dorothy and Willis Harder, and brother to Emily Harder.

An orientation to the congregation and reception of members is being planned for this fall. If you are interested in deepening your connection to Bethel College Mennonite Church by becoming a member, please be in touch with Pastor Dawn Yoder Harms.

The Pumpkin Ranch event is back! It will be today, Oct. 21. Adam Robb will be at the P&M Pumpkin Ranch (311 16th Ave., Moundridge) at 3 pm with tickets for the first 50 folks (and then some, if need be!) He will be at the gate until 3:30, and then can be reached by cell phone if you are arriving late. P & M is 6 miles west of Moundridge and then 1.5 miles north. Feel free to stay as late as you would like, but you are also invited to Jim and Beaty Robb's, 2021 Arapaho Rd., Moundridge, at 5:30 for a campfire, hot dogs, and s'mores! This portion of the event will conclude at 7 pm. Directions to the Robbs: head south to the blacktop (1.5 miles), then east 4 miles, then south 1 mile, then east another 1/4 mile. Their house has a long drive and is on the south side of the road. From Newton, go 1 mile south of Moundridge (Arapaho) and then head west for 1 3/4 miles. Drive is on the left.

Bethel College announcements:

• **Bethel College Philharmonia concert, today, Oct. 21, 3 pm**, featuring faculty soloist Seth Girton, cello, vocalist Addie Regier, and music by Bartók, Bruch, Higdon, Honegger and Lennon & McCartney; Memorial Hall

• **Menno Simons Lecture with Rachel Waltner Goossen, Washburn University, Oct. 21, 7 pm**. The series topic is "Sexual Identities and Leaders in the Faith," with this evening's lecture, "Coming Out: Mennonite Leaders Departing." Additional lectures Oct. 22, 11 am. "Coming Out: Mennonite Leaders Arriving," and 7 pm, "Finding a Home: LGBTQ+ Leaders"; Krehbiel Auditorium in Luyken Fine Arts Center, Bethel College.

• **In the Regier Gallery in Luyken Fine Arts Center** "Listening Across Time," works in mixed media by Rachel Epp Buller, through Nov. 2. Gallery hours: 9 am-5 pm, Mon.-Fri., 2-4 pm Sunday (closed Oct. 15, 16 and 17 for fall break).

Service assignment openings at Mennonite Central Committee's Washington office: Legislative and Communications Assistant (2 year assignment, starting Jan 2, 2019) This position involves working on public policy advocacy and the MCC Washington office's public communications. The link to full assignment description: <https://mcc.org/get-involved/serve/openings/legislative-communications-assistant> *Deadline for receiving letters and resumes is Nov. 9.* Internships (3-4 months, starting Jan 14, 2019) The MCC Washington Office is also offering 2 unpaid, half time (.5FTE) internships a **Domestic Affairs Intern** and an **International Affairs Intern**. To read more about internships, go to the link: <http://washington.mcc.org/advocate/internships> These Winter/Spring internships would run from Jan. to Apr. Contact heidihuber@mcc.org for more information.

Tell your Jesus story of how God's saving love transforms you, your church, your community, and the world around us at the "Telling the Jesus Story" testimony event, Year of Evangelism. Join us Oct. 26-27 at Iglesia Luz del Evangelio, Dallas, TX, or ride the van with others, leaving from North Newton. Register at: <http://mennowdc.org/year-of-evangelism/>