

Prayer Requests

Mennonite Mission Network: MMN requests prayer for Petrus and Yuliana Handoyo and their two sons who minister through educational ministries in Cambodia. May they share the good news of Jesus' love among Buddhist students through words and through modeling healthy family relationships.

Western District Conference: Give thanks for congregations who have used WDC Mustard Seed grants to reach out to their neighbors to promote health initiatives, share food and hospitality, and welcome children!

This congregation: Pray for Shalom Mennonite Church, Newton, and its commitment to provide sanctuary for undocumented immigrants in our community, and for our congregation, as we consider ways to support this work.

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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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

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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

November 4, 2018

9:30 am

Remembering who we are: hosts at the table

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 *Liebster Jesu, Wir Sind Hier* Bach
Verlene Garber, organ

Introit *Who is so great a God [HWB 62]* Dmitri Bortniansky
Chancel Choir; William Eash, directory; Verlene Garber, accompanist

Call to worship, prayer Dawn Yoder Harms

*Hymn of praise *We gather together* **HWB 17**
(children come forward during hymn)

LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

Children's conversation Margaret Goering

Worship music *Holy, Holy, Holy* Tchaikovsky
Chancel Choir

Scripture reading Ruth 2 Patricia Shelly/William Eash

Sermon *Loyalty and Hospitality: Bridges across Differences*
Safwat Marzouk

RESPONDING IN FAITH

*Hymn *I bind my heart this tide* **HWB 411**

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 *Ricercare* Frescobaldi

Pony Express captains come forward during the dedication hymn for the dedication of the Pony Express process.

*Dedication hymn *God, whose hand is all creation* **HWB 391**

*Dedication prayer

SENDING

*Sending hymn *You are salt for the earth* **HWB 226**

*Benediction

*Benediction response *Not one sparrow is forgotten* arr. Hawley
Chancel Choir

*Postlude *Praise God from whom all blessings flow* Bach

*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).

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

Kidron Bethel Parkinson's Support Group will meet Nov. 6, 2 pm. Nick Sharp, physical therapist, will discuss strategies and resources that individuals with Parkinson's Disease can utilize to optimize their lifestyle.

You are invited to Harvey County Habitat for Humanity's annual fundraiser, Nov. 15, 6:30 pm, Faith Mennonite Church, 2100 N. Anderson. Get your free ticket from Ron Peters, Sondra Koontz, or Sylvia Bartel. Great food and fellowship. Music by Book of Jobb. Exciting auction.

Mennonite Central Committee is looking for couples to join the canning crew this year. This is a fully-supported short-term volunteer position that will travel in the U.S. and Canada between Jan and May 2019. For more information and/or to apply for the Canner Operator position, visit mcc.org/serve or contact Heidi Huber: heidihuber@mcc.org or 316-283-2720.

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.

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 Emmanu-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.

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

- **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.

It's Supper Time at BCMC! Wednesday supper Nov. 7, 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., Nov 5. Cost is \$5/person or \$15/family per meal. Please bring your own table service. **Meal reservation(s) for Nov. 7**
Number attending meal ___ Name: _____



Everence will hold an informative workshop Nov. 5, 6:30 pm. *Social Security and retirement income planning* will cover when to begin taking Social Security, risks that can impact your savings and strategies to help your income last throughout retirement. Workshops are presented by Everence staff and held at the Everence office at 3179 N. Main St., North Newton. Reserve a spot soon by contacting Michelle Ramer at (316) 283-3800; (877) 467-7294 or michelle.ramer@everence.com.

The KIPCOR Film Series continues Sun, Nov. 4, 2 pm 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. There will be a post-film discussion with Jennifer Cole, co-founder of DepICT Media in Wichita.

You are invited to join MC USA staff in the Newton offices (718 N Main St.) to hear from Mennonite Mission Network worker Wayne and Jeannie Larson Nov 14 from 2-3 pm. We will have coffee, and hear a presentation from Wayne about work in the Middle East and other parts of the world.

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 heidhuber@mcc.org for more information.

César García, General Secretary of Mennonite World Conference, will visit Kansas in November. All are welcome to meet him at a reception Nov 20, at the Mennonite Church USA offices at 718 North Main Street, Newton. Refreshments served from 9:30-11:30 am, and at 10 am. César will speak about Mennonite World Conference. Over 100 Anabaptist/Mennonite-related national churches, including Mennonite Church USA, are members or associate members of Mennonite World Conference.

The Next Week at BCMC: November 4-November 11, 2018

Sunday, November 4, 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—Marilyn Klaus leads book discussion (*I hear the Reaper's Song*, Stambaugh, part I)
- 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— Continuing Discussion--"Justice from the Margins" video
- Sojourners—Chapel—*Newfoundland Journeys*, Weldon Schloneger

4:00 pm Bethel Sings—Sanctuary

Monday, November 5

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

7:00 pm Facilities Committee—Fellowship Hall

Tuesday, November 6

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

2:30 pm Caregivers Support Group—Rm 14

Wednesday, November 7

8:00 am Staff worship planning at Mojo's, Bethel College campus

10:00 am Bulletin announcement deadline

6:00 pm Wednesday night suppers—Fellowship Hall

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

7:15 pm Journey Club—Rm B8 **7:15 pm** Junior High Club—Rm 26

7:00 pm Senior High Youth —Rm 22

7:30 pm Chancel Choir—Sanctuary **8:30 pm** Chancel Bells—Rm B7

Thursday, November 8

9:00 am Transition Task Force—Rm 14

5:30 pm Sojourners SS Class Social—Fellowship Hall

Saturday, November 10

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

Sunday, November 11

9:30 am Worship with sermon by Susan Jantzen; music by Junior Choir and Cherub Choir

10:30 am Fellowship Time in the Gathering Place

10:50 am Faith Formation

Pray for those receiving medical care this week: Fern Goering, Newton Medical Center.

Our sincere thanks to the BCMC faith community for all your expressions of care and compassion during my husband, Lou Gomez's, brief illness and passing. Your gifts of love—whether food, music, cards, flowers, words of encouragement or other assistance help our healing journey of transformation through grief. ~ *Elizabeth Raid, Frances Gomez and extended families*

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.

The BCMC Timeline welcomes your contributions. We encourage you to remember what events or memories have been important to you in your connection to our church. Place photos, memorabilia or short hand-written notes in the basket on the podium. Photos will be mounted, small items will be attached and hand-written notes will be typed up and attached. We look forward to a full Timeline to show what's been important to us over many years. Questions? Contact Austin Prouty at prouty.austin@gmail.com or at (316) 217-3922.

People of God's Generosity. Today is the beginning of BCMC's annual Pony Express, a financial commitment process for the 2019 budget, including a blessing as neighborhood captains, appointed by the Finance Committee, come forward during the dedication hymn. (*Captains will pick up their packets in the back of the sanctuary after the service and distribute to BCMC members and regular attenders in local neighborhoods. Materials are mailed to non-resident/inactive members*). Join the Pony Express by prayerfully anticipating your intentions to give for 2019. Fill out the intent form when materials arrive at your home, return the form according to the directions in the packet, and pass the packet on to your neighbor. The Pony Express concludes on Nov. 18 when captains return packets during worship.

Annual Fund Update: At the end of October, expenses for the year were \$2,607 more than income. This is a significant improvement over the \$11,620 deficit at the end of August because of strong September giving. The challenge to the congregation for November and December is not only to meet the regular 2018 budget but to exceed expenses for the year by an additional \$7,000. As approved by the congregation in January, this would restore benevolences to various Mennonite Church USA agencies to the level of our 2017 budget that were cut from the 2018 budget.

BCMC and Faith Church are responsible for providing volunteers and evening meals to New Hope Shelter Dec. 19 to 25. How can we best respond to this commitment during this special time of the year? If your family, SS class, or small group, would like to contribute in some way, please contact Valetta Seymour at seymour2314@gmail.com, or 620-217-7536.

It's fall clean up time in the BCMC kitchen. On Nov. 12 from 12:30 pm to 4ish, the Hospitality Commission is looking for help to deep clean the kitchen. It's always more fun in a group and when it's not your kitchen! Sign up in the back of the church for whatever time you have to offer. Thank you!

Thank you to all who joined our Journey Forward discussion groups on Wednesday evenings. Discussion and sharing was significant and this feedback will be part of what is shared with MCUSA from this congregation.

The Mennonite Central Committee mobile meat canner has been at the MCC Center in North Newton all of last week. The Newton area churches work time is Nov. 14-17. There are envelopes in your mailboxes if you wish to make a contribution to this project. Lowell Stucky will be under the balcony today with sign up sheets for volunteers to work on the canner assembly line. There are also sit down jobs for the label application process. Work starts at 9:45 am Nov. 14 ~ *Lowell Stucky, BCMC Meat Canning representative*

The Bethel College Student Chaplains will hold their annual 24-Hour Prayer event Nov. 10-11. They are inviting BCMC members to support this prayer event by providing snacks for those who pray in a series of one-hour blocks. Please bring items to Susan Jantzen (church office) or Brad Kohlman (Bethel Ad Building) by Nov. 9. Participants will appreciate this expression of care and support!

You are invited to be present on the Bethel College campus as groups from this congregation. Our support as representatives of BCMC strengthens the campus community and keeps us *growing* as well. Call Brad Kohlman 316-284-5357 if you would like your BCMC group announced at a *sporting event!*

Bethel College announcements:

- **Bethel Sings**, featuring the Women's Chorus, Men's Ensemble, Woven, Open Road, Concert Choir, and soloists, **today, Nov. 4, 4 pm**, Bethel College Mennonite Church
- **Bible Lecture with Safwat Marzouk, Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary**, Nov. 4, 7:30 pm, Krehbiel Auditorium in Luyken Fine Arts Center (2nd lecture Mon., Nov. 5, 11 am in Krehbiel Auditorium)
- **Organ Recital Series: Hentus van Rooyen**, Nov. 11, 4 pm with music by J.S. Bach, Mendelssohn, Langlais, Vierne and Hakim, Ad Building Chapel

Oct. 28 at BCMC Attendance: 222. General Fund \$3,665; Living Stones \$680; Wed. Night Supper \$267; Sr Hi Youth \$370; Caring Fund \$386.62; Lou Gomez Mem. \$25.