#### **Prayer Requests**

**Mennonite Mission Network:** Diana Cruz and Felipe Preciado of MMN are serving at *La Casa Grande* children's home in Benin. Pray for good health and open hearts as Diana and Felipe teach English, assist with gardening, and share God's love with each child.

**Western District Conference:** Pray for the WDC Church Planting Commission as they meet this week to work on guidelines for church planting, and for Byron Pellecer, WDC Associate Conference Minister who provides coaching and mentoring for church planters.

**This congregation:** Pray for the Search Committee for Associate Pastor of Faith Formation as it continues its work of discernment.

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

**Pastor:** Dawn Yoder Harms, Day off: Monday—Phone: 316-283-3667 cell phone: 316-212-1847; Email: dawn@bethelcollegemennonitechurch.org **Bridge Associate Pastor for Faith Formation:** Susan Jantzen—Day off: Friday

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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

**Feb. 10 at BCMC** Attendance 215. General Fund \$7,198.10; Living Stones \$255; Sr Hi Youth \$20; Orlando Fast Mem. \$490; Norma Preheim Mem. \$25; Jr Hi Fund \$1.340.

# Bethel College Mennonite Church February 17, 2019 — Worship 9:30 am

#### TIME FOR WORSHIP

### **GATHERING**

Lighting of the Christ candle

Prelude Fugue and Finale from Sonata #6 Mendelssohn
Verlene Garber, organ

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

Introit Not One Sparrow is Forgotten arr. Hawley Chancel Choir; William Eash, director; Verlene Garber, accompanist

Call to worship, prayer

Dawn Yoder Harms

\*Hymns of praise Unto thy temple, Lord, we come Sing praise to God who reigns HWB 4 HWB 59

(children come forward during hymn)

### LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

Children's conversation Megan Klassen Kohlman

Worship music The Glory of the Father Hovland

Chancel Choir

Gospel reading Luke 6:17-26 Darlene Dick

Sermon Moneyball and Mountains Brad Kohlman

#### RESPONDING IN FAITH

\*Hymn Blest are they **STI 94** 

Prayer of God's people

Offering

Offertory I want to walk as a child of the light

Verlene Garber

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

Take my life

**HWB 389** 

(verses 1, 4, 6)

\*Dedication prayer

#### **SENDING**

\*Sending hymn Come, come, ye saints **HWB 425** verse 2 acapella

\*Benediction **HWB 764** 

\*Benediction response Chancel Choir Amen

\*Postlude

\*All who are able are invited to stand

**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>Per-</u> sonal hearing devices are at the north sanctuary entrance. The nursery at the back of the 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).

Camp Mennoscah Announcements—Contact Info: 620-297-3290 or office@campmennoscah.org; www.campmennoscah.org

- Camp's online registration for summer youth camps AND Youth Volunteer Weekend opened Feb. 1. Register online. Those interested in counseling or volunteering as kitchen staff contact Olivia at olivia.bartel@campmennoscah.org.
- Youth Volunteer Weekend is March 15-16, for those grades 7-12. Full scholarships are available. Register online.
- Spring Scrapbook and Crafts Retreats are March 8-10 or March 15-17.
- Camp's annual Hymn Sing and Dessert Auction is at BCMC, Feb. 24 from 4-6 pm. This is to raise funds for summer staff who provide mentoring relationships and faith formation, which is what camp is all about. One set of hymns will be "bluegrass" and led by (former) summer staff.

Everence® will host an all-inclusive retirement planning workshop March 2, 9 to 11:30 am. Topics will include Medicare, Social Security and retirement income planning. The workshop is presented by Everence staff and takes place at Everence Financial Advisors, 3179 N. Main St., North Newton. Reserve your spot soon by contacting Michelle Ramer at (316) 283-3800, (877) 467-7294 or michelle.ramer@everence.com.

All women are invited to the Western District Women in Mission spring supper Mar. 21, 6 pm, at First Mennonite Church, 1161 E. A Avenue, McPherson. The speaker will be Sheryl Wilson, Director of the Kansas Institute for Peace and Conflict Resolution. Music by Michelle Unruh and Laura Unrau. Tickets are \$10 per plate for a light meal. RSVP by March 14 to: westerndistrictwomen@gmail.com or call Marlene Faul at 316-283-3342.

Join Mennonite Central Committee Central States May 6-11 for a South Texas Borderlands Learning Tour focused on education related to a range of matters surrounding immigration. Cost is \$650. Contact Ana Alicia Hinojosa for more information: https://mcc.org/get-involved/events/learningtour-south-texas-borderlands

Mennonite Central Committee's Sharing With Appalachia People (SWAP) program is seeking volunteer groups, individuals and summer **staff.** Join SWAP in Kentucky or West Virginia to serve with this home repair ministry while learning about life in Appalachia. Groups or individuals can volunteer to serve for a week. SWAP is also looking for summer staff to serve as job site coordinators and meals coordinators/cooks for three month assignments. For more information visit swap.mcc.org or contact Angela Maggard at AppalachiaAdmin@mcc.org or

606-633-5065.

**KIPCOR Film Series presents** *More Than a Word*, which examines the controversy over Native American-themed sports mascots and nicknames, today, 3 pm. Krehbiel Auditorium. Talk-back follows with Edward Valandra, Ph.D., Sicangu Titunwan (Lakota), and Sherman Padgett, former principal of Wichita North High School (the "Redskins").

The Hesston College Bel Canto Singers AND the Bethel College Concert Choir will be performing at Tabor Mennonite Church, Newton, today, 7 pm. This is a fund raiser for Tabor's new fellowship hall.

**Student Rights and Student Protests at Bethel College in the 1960s:** <u>Feb. 19, 7 pm at the Newton Public Library, 720 N. Oak.</u> Keith Sprunger, emeritus professor of history, looks back at teaching and campus activities in the turbulent sixties.

**For a meaningful service opportunity**, consider becoming a volunteer at New Hope Shelter. Contact Valetta Seymour, seymour2314@gmail.com or 620-217-7536. Volunteer orientations are at the shelter the 3rd Monday of each month from 6:30 to 8 pm. Next orientation is <u>Feb. 18</u>. BCMC provides volunteers for the shelter every 9 weeks. Feb.27-March 5 is the next time for BCMC to serve.

### **Bethel College announcements:**

- •Currently in the Regier Art Gallery at Bethel College Anne Labovitz,
- **"Exhibition in a Suitcase,"** inspired by the artist's conversations across six years and several countries. Regular gallery hours: weekdays, 9 am– 5 pm, Sundays, 2-4 pm, Fine Arts Center.
- •Bethel College Steel Drum Band KMEA preview concert, with special guests Steel Paradise, <u>Feb. 19, 7 pm</u>, Memorial Hall

**Everence will hold an informative webinar on Social Security** and retirement income planning. Feb. 26, 2 and 8 pm. (EST). Specifics will include the best time to start taking Social Security, how benefits are calculated, spousal benefits, converting your retirement *savings* into retirement *income* and strategies to help your income last throughout retirement. To register, visit www.everence.com/retirementincome or contact Valerie Diaz at (800) 222-5054 ext. 3349 or valerie.diaz@everence.com.

The new Women's Retreat at Rocky Mountain Mennonite Camp is March 15-17. This weekend is for women ages 18 and older with worship sessions led by Anita Amstutz, guiding 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. Register online today (www.rmmc.org).

### The Next Week at BCMC: February 17—24, 2019

#### Sunday, February 17, 2019

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**; 3–4<sup>th</sup> grade in **B3**; 5–8<sup>th</sup> grade in **Room 26**
- **Senior High students**—Room 22
- Agape—Fellowship Hall Bible Study—Rm 14—Exodus 1-24, Patty Shelly
- Catacombs—Rm B5—Mennonite Communities: Mountain Lake, MN, Harold Thieszen
- **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— *Catching up with each other*
- **Sojourners**—Chapel—*Sojourner Class Members' BCMC Timeline,* Discussion led by Gladys and Clarence Niles and Rosalind Andreas

### Monday, February 18

- **2:30 pm** BCMC worship DVD—Kidron Bethel Health Care
- **6:30 pm** Faith Formation Commission—Rm B7
- 7:00 pm Newton Chorale rehearsal—Sanctuary

## Tuesday, February 19—Women's Fellowship Circle Meetings

- **2:00 pm** Circle 3—Mildred Voran's, 2913 Wildwood Way, North Newton
- **3:00 pm** Circle 1—Kidron Bethel Sun Room
- 7:00 pm Circle 2—Lois Preheim's, 3005 S. Kansas Rd., Newton
- **7:00 pm** Circle 4—Anna Marie Wiebe's, 31 Lakewood Circle, North Newton

## Wednesday, February 20

- 12:45 pm BCMC worship DVD—Kidron Bethel Assisted Living
- 8:00 am Staff meeting—Rm 14 10 am Bulletin announcement deadline
- **6:30 pm** Junior Choir—Rm 28 and Cherub Choir—Rm 24
- **7:00 pm** Senior High Youth Group—Rm 22
- **7:15 pm** Menno Ringers—Rm B7
- **7:30 pm** Chancel Choir—Sanctuary **8:30 pm** Chancel Bells—Rm B7

# Thursday, February 21

- **3:00 pm** Witness Commission—Rm B7
- **4:00 pm** Visitation Team—Rm 14
- **7:00 pm** Newton Chorale rehearsal—Sanctuary

### Saturday, February 23

**8 am to noon** VBS Curriculum Springs Forth Launch—Fellowship Hall

## Sunday, February 24

- 9:30 am Worship with sermon by Susan Jantzen; music by Chancel Choir
- **10:30 am** Fellowship time in the Gathering Place
- **10:50 am** Faith Formation
- **4-6 pm Camp Mennoscah Dessert Auction**—Fellowship Hall

**Thank you** for the prayers, the thoughts, the calls, the cards, and the conversation concerning my recent surgery and recovery. Still some more tests to take but the surgery was successful in removing the tumor and taking the cancer out. Each day I get a little better. It is humbling to be a member of this community and the care that is evident. Thank You all. Blessings to each of you.  $\sim$  *Jim Robb* 

**Luke 6 contains the Bible passage for today's message** as well as next Sunday's message. Consider finding time this week to read through this chapter at home.

**Seven Senior High Youth and sponsors** Ben Lichti, and Bethany and Tim Schrag are participating in the Rocky Mountain Mennonite Snow Camp this weekend. They will be returning today. Pray for their safe travel home.

**Staff:** Pastor Dawn Yoder Harms will be on vacation February 19-24.

**Guess Who's Coming to Dinner:** If you signed up for Guess Who's Coming to Dinner as either a host or a guest, either your food assignment or the number of guests to expect should be on a slip in your mailbox. If you have any questions or somehow did not receive the information, please contact Kathryn Simmons immediately. (816-719-1968). Thanks to all of you that are able to participate!

BCMC will host the launch of A NEW VBS CURRICULUM Sat., Feb. 23, 9 - 10:30 am, in the BCMC Fellowship Hall. VBS PLUS, written and produced by SPRINGS FORTH!, Faith Formation, Inc., features two new, five-session curricula for all ages: pre-school, children, youth, adult, so entire congregations can study the same Biblical texts. This preview is a free event but registration was required. Teachers, faith formation committees and pastors will learn about multi-generation VBS (or short-term sessions) resources called "Smelly Camels" or "Nighttime Sleuthing."

Website www.springsforth.com for further information.

Pastor Dawn's three-year review is coming in March. The Staff Congregation Relations Committee has invited BCMC board, commission and committee members to participate, and also encourages any other interested BCMC members and active participants to join the Appreciative Inquiry Process. Groups of 6-7 people will respond to several questions, the anonymous feedback then goes to Western District Conference facilitator Keith Harder, he shares an overview with Dawn, and also reports to the congregation. If you would like to participate or have questions, please contact SCRC chair Dave Linscheid (dave.linscheid@gmail.com, 316-727-6967) by March 28.

The Visual Arts Committee is still accepting submissions for the timeline on display in the Gathering Place. Place submissions in the basket under the podium, or email electronic submissions to prouty.austin@gmail.com

- The KANSAS MENNONITE RELIEF SALE is April 12-13
  •Support this year's \$78,000 operating budget through your Sunday school offering by March 3. Fund any of the 48 items in the budget. They range in cost from \$350 for tea, to \$8,800 for building rentals
- •All are welcome to the 12<sup>th</sup> annual Mennonite Central Committee Comforter Blitz March 4, 5, 6 at the Journey Yoder Campus, one mile north of Yoder. Mar. 4, 9 am to 5 pm; Mar. 5, 9 am to 5 pm; Mar. 6, 9 am to 4 pm. Come and have a good time while helping others. No sewing skills are required. Lunch is available by donation each day, or you may bring your own sack lunch. Bring snacks to share during the work day. This event is hosted by Kansas Friends of MCC.
- •Quilts and comforters made by BCMC members will be displayed at the back of the sanctuary Mar. 10; delivered to the MCC Center the following day, also the deadline for a listing in the Quilt Auction Buyer's Guide.
- Email photos of general and silent auction items for the sale website to photos@kansas.mccsale.org
- •More sale information is on Facebook and at https://kansas.mccsale.org.

This year's BCMC liaisons are Cynthia and Dave Linscheid; Ada and Wes Schmidt-Tieszen; and Peggy Souder and Nate Dyck.

The Mennonite Central Committee Central States board of directors invites you to their Annual Meeting Feb. 23, 10 am at MCC, 121 E. 30<sup>th</sup>. North Newton.

If you are interested in attending the Mennonite Church USA Biennial Convention this coming July 2-6 in Kansas City, MO, and possibly being a BCMC delegate, BCMC will cover the cost of early registration (by March 19) for six delegates. Get complete information about the convention at http://convention.mennoniteusa.org. Contact Francis Toews, Gifts Discernment Committee chair for more information.

Cookies are requested for a March 14 meeting of Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale representatives here at BCMC. If you can contribute 2 dozen cookies for the meeting, please email Cynthia Linscheid at cdlin319@gmail.com. Thanks!