

Prayer Requests

Mennonite Mission Network: Eric and Kelly Frey Martin are traveling from Colombia to Ecuador to join MMN personnel for a retreat. Pray for a time of meaningful worship and renewal as long-term and short-term workers share experiences to equip them for continued ministry.

Western District Conference: Pray for Hispanic pastors in WDC as they gather for a retreat next weekend in Texas.

This congregation: Pray for those seeking shelter in our community during these cold winter months, and for those who are working to provide places of welcome.

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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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
March 10, 2019 — Worship 9:30 am

LENT 1: Blessed Hunger, Holy Feast
God's Hand Delivers Us

GATHERING

Lighting of the Christ candle

Prelude *In Memory* Jeanne Cotter
Katie Hoody, piano

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

Welcome and Call to worship Brad Kohlman

L: O God, you are our God. We seek you.

P: Our souls thirst for you as in a dry and weary land where there is no water.

L: We trust in the Lord, who is our refuge, who commands his angels to guard us.

P: God delivers and protects us when we are in trouble.

All: O God, you satisfy our souls as with a rich feast. In the shadow of your wings, we sing for joy, and you uphold us.

*Hymn of praise *Praise the One who breaks the darkness* **STS 1**
(children come forward during hymn)

LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

Children's conversation Lois Brubacher

Psalm reading Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16 Elizabeth Raid

Worship music *And I will raise you up* **HWB 596**
Solo: Matt Schloneger
Please join in on the refrain

Gospel reading Luke 4:1-13 Elizabeth Raid

Sermon *Blessed Hunger* Dawn Yoder Harms

RESPONDING IN FAITH

Prayer of confession congregational response:

In the morning and in the evening, we will call upon the Lord.

*Hymn *I am weak and I need thy strength* **HWB 553**

Communion

Congregational Response **STJ 136**

Prayer of God's people

Offering

Offertory *Jesus, the Very Thought of You* arr. Christina Shehi
*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 *Praise God, the Source of life* **HWB 95**

*Dedication prayer

SENDING

*Sending hymn *Go, my children* **HWB 433**

*Benediction

*Benediction response

*Postlude *The Glory of These Forty Days* arr. Lynette Maynard

*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. Personal 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.

Our Lenten Banners illustrate a progression created around the motif of the crown of thorns. The series is about the contrasts, emotion, and movement of the Lenten season. The artist, Anne Friesen Birky, lives in Denver, CO with her family and is the daughter of Duane and Elizabeth Friesen.

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

- **Register online for summer youth camps.** If interested in counseling or volunteering as kitchen staff email: 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 Retreat** March 15-17.
- **Work and Play Day at Camp Mennoscah** is April 27 with work projects starting at 8:30 am and ending at 2:30 pm. Lunch will be served. Please register online or call to let camp know you're coming. All ages invited; those under 18 must be accompanied by an adult.
- **Retirees Retreat at Camp** is April 22-24. There will be sessions on trips to Central America and Ukraine and Reader's Theater and a steel drum concert and time for relaxation. Register online or call.

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.

Everence Financial has two, full-time opportunities available in the North Newton, Kansas office. There is an opening for a **Financial Advisor** to provide investment advice and financial planning counsel to individuals and couples. While a background in financial services is helpful, many advisor candidates have a background in teaching, sales, or business.

Everence is seeking a Client Services Representative to provide exceptional client service and high-level administrative support to financial advisors. The role involves a significant amount of work with financial data and confidential client information. For more information about the above job opportunities and/or to apply, please visit our web site at www.everence.com/careers!

Mennonite Central Committee Central States is gathering items for Returning Citizen Care kits. The full list of contents is on the Material Resources page of the MCC Central States website or by visiting the wish list on Amazon (although not all items for all kits are available on Amazon), making shipping items directly to the Material Resource Center easier. Returning Citizen Care kits are distributed to MCC partner organization Working Men of Christ in Wichita where the kits help men and women feel supported as they transition to life outside of prison. Items for kits should be sent to MCC Central States, 121 E. 30th St. North Newton, KS 67117. Contact katemast@mcc.org or 316-283-2720.

The Sand Creek Community Garden (just north of the Bethel College campus) has a few plots available for rent for the 2019 season. Email communitygarden@bethelks.edu for more information or to request an application.

Swiss Mennonite Cultural and Historical Association Annual Meeting is today, 2:30 pm at First Mennonite Church of McPherson. Kip Wedel, associate professor of history at Bethel College will discuss Anabaptist attitudes toward American civil religion. Refreshments served. No reservations required. All are welcome.

Bethel College announcements:

- **Bethel College Wind Ensemble and Philharmonia Orchestra joint concert, March 10, 3 pm**, Memorial Hall [**NOTE CHANGE** from some previously printed calendars]
- **The Joel Boettger Quartet featuring Clay Jenkins, March 11, 6 pm**, Mojo's Coffee Bar, Bethel College
- **Bethel College Jazz Ensemble I** with special guest Clay Jenkins, March 12, 7:30 pm, Krehbiel Auditorium in Luyken Fine Arts Center

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).

Newton Et Cetera Shop invites organizations to apply for their annual Local Giving grants which are made available each spring by the Newton Et Cetera Shop board of directors. Download applications at: newtonetceterashop.com and must be submitted by e-mail to localgiving@newtonetceterashop.com by April 12, 2019. Multiple grants will be awarded to selected groups by June 2019 in amounts up to \$5,000. Applicants for the Local Giving grants must hold legal nonprofit status and operate out of and serve Newton, North Newton, Hesston, Goessel, Moundridge, Whitewater, Elbing, Halstead or Walton. Applicants do not need to have a religious affiliation or mission, but they must function in a manner consistent with the mission of Mennonite Central Committee.

In response to increasing need for shelter during these cold winter months, New Jerusalem Missions has opened an Emergency Residence (to supplement the capacity of New Hope Shelter). Volunteers are urgently needed to provide presence through the night. If you are able to help in this way, please contact the New Jerusalem office at 316-283-2101.

The Next Week at BCMC: March 10—March 17, 2019

Sunday, March 10, 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**; 3-4th grade in **B3**; 5-8th grade in **Room 26**
- **Senior High students**—Room 22
- **Agape**—Fellowship Hall
- **Bible Study**—Rm 14—Lectionary-1st Sunday in Lent
- **Catacombs**—Rm B5—*Bethel College-Its Mission and Future*, Jonathan Gering
- **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—*Immigration*
- **Sojourners**—Chapel—*Loaves & Fishes for Circles of Hope*, Margaret Goering

Monday, March 11

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

6:30 pm Finance Committee—Rm 14

Tuesday, March 12

2:00 pm Hospitality Commission—Rm 14

Wednesday, March 13—No Children's Choir practices or Children's Clubs tonight due to public school spring break

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

8:00 am Staff meeting—Rm 14 **10 am** Bulletin announcement deadline

6:00 pm Wednesday night supper —Fellowship Hall

6:30 pm Program in Fellowship Hall—*Continuing the conversation....*

Tonight's topic will be "Sexual violence and its impact on victims" with Andrea C. Reed Ph.D., LMLP, from Prairie View, Inc.

7:30 pm Chancel Choir—Sanctuary

8:30 pm Chancel Bells—Rm B7

Thursday, March 14

6-9 pm Mennonite Central Committee Relief Sale meeting—Fellowship Hall

Saturday, March 16

3:30 pm Memorial for Norma Preheim—Sanctuary

Sunday, March 17—Lent 2

9:30 am Worship with sermon by Susan Jantzen; music by Women's Trio

10:30 am Fellowship time in the Gathering Place

10:50 am Faith Formation

Lent-at-Home booklets are available in the Gathering Place. Please feel free to take a copy! Songs, readings and activities are offered for each week, making this resource adaptable for all ages.

We offer sympathy to Omer and Zona Galle on the death of Omer's sister, Lillian Frances Galle, Feb. 24 at Presbyterian Manor, Newton. The memorial was Feb. 28 at Petersen Funeral Home, Newton.

We offer sympathy to the family of Verna Kaufman Goering. Verna died at the age of 103, March 3, at Pine Village Nursing Home, Moundridge. Her memorial service was March 9 at the Eden Mennonite Church. Verna was a wider fellowship member at BCMC.

Pray for those receiving medical care this week: LaVern Stucky, Newton Medical Center.

Have you been wishing for an opportunity to shoot some baskets for a good cause? Here is your chance. Join the Education and Service Scholarship Committee (ESSC) for the 3rd annual Baskets for Bethel fundraiser during and after Wednesday night supper on March 27. ESSC raises money to help support our students at Bethel College and our goal this year is \$5000. All ages are invited to shoot baskets and earn money for the ESSC fund. Hear from current Bethel students about their experiences this year. Win Bethel souvenirs! Let Margaret Toews or another ESSC member (Aaron Tschetter, Carol Flickinger) know if you would like to participate! We want to encourage high school seniors to apply for scholarship funds to Bethel or other Mennonite schools for the 2019-2020 academic year, and for young adults considering service opportunities to apply as well. See Monica or an ESSC member for an application.

Save the date!!! BCMC's retreat at Camp Mennoscah is coming up in a few weeks! **This year's retreat will be May 4 and 5**, and will feature many of the favorite activities from years past - a hayrack ride, popcorn, singing, worship, fishing, and all the sand one can handle! We will once again partner with First Mennonite of Halstead for the weekend, but unlike in years past, there will still be a worship service at BCMC on that Sunday. Plan to come for the day on Saturday, for the day on Sunday, or make a weekend of it! More details will be coming soon; watch your boxes for a registration form! If you have any questions, please connect with Adam Robb.

March 3 at BCMC Attendance 0. (Church cancelled because of severe winter weather.) General Fund \$4,215; Living Stones \$355; Women's Fellowship \$154.

The Emerson and LaWanda Wiens family wants to thank the congregation for their prayers, cards, and other expressions of support at the time of Emerson's brother Ernest's death.



The KANSAS MENNONITE RELIEF SALE (KMRS) is April 12-13

- **Quilts and comforters made by BCMC members** are on display at the back of sanctuary today, and will be delivered to MCC Center tomorrow.
- **Sign up to donate baked goods or to volunteer at the sale** at the table under the balcony after worship today, or on another Sun. through Apr.7.
- **BCMC will host** one of this spring's KMRS planning meetings this coming Thursday evening. Dozens of volunteers from area churches will meet in Fellowship Hall.
- **My Coins Count** continues through April 7. Anyone may drop quarters in the Coin Tower in the Gathering Place. Adults, put your coins (and bills) in the jar in your Sunday school room or under the balcony. Children will return their coin-filled bottles during worship April 7.
- **Handcrafted items by BCMC members** will be displayed Sunday, April 7. Please bring your woodwork, sewn items, needlework and other creations that day, or arrange with a liaison for pickup in advance.
- **Run for Relief** registration forms are on the church bulletin board, due by March 29.
- **More sale information:** 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 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

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.

It's Supper Time at BCMC! Mar.13, 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., Mar.11. Cost is \$5/person or \$15/family per meal. Please bring your own table service.
Meal reservation(s) for March 13
Number attending meal ___ Name: _____