

Bethel College Mennonite Church  
August 11, 2019 — Worship 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

*Be Thou My Vision* (arr. Joel Raney)  
*Here I Am, Lord* (arr. Jack Schrader)

Katie Hoody, piano

Call to worship, prayer

Tim Hodge

\*Hymn of praise

*Praise with joy the world's Creator*  
(children come forward during hymn)

**STJ 16**

**LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD**

Children's conversation

Dawn Yoder Harms and Renee Reimer

Worship music

*In the bulb there is a flower* [HWB 614] Alahna Wheat

Scripture reading

Ephesians 3:14-21

Dianne Epp

Meditation

*Rooted and grounded*

Dawn Yoder Harms

**RESPONDING IN FAITH**

\*Hymn

*Come, thou fount*

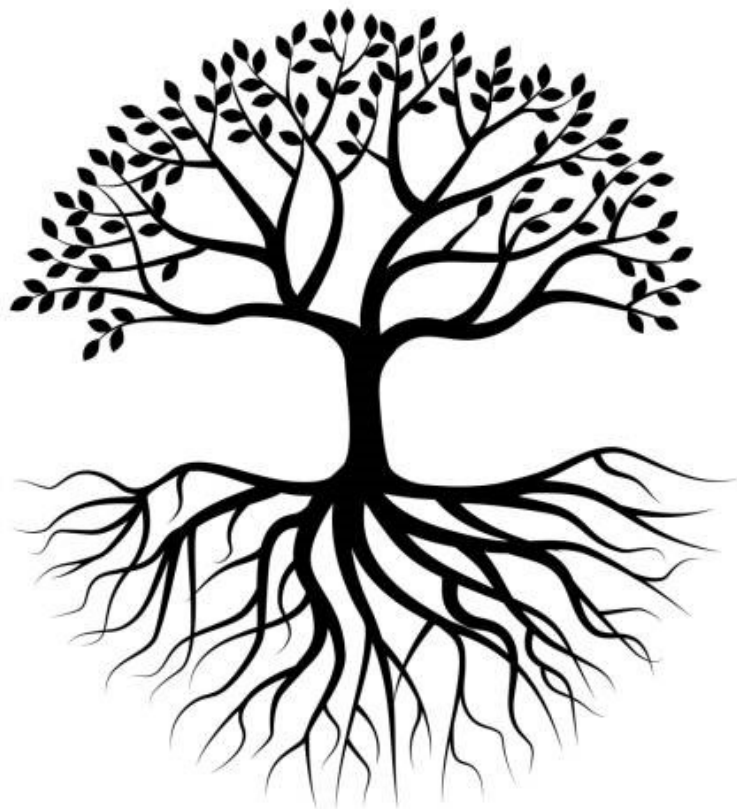
**HWB 521**

Membership Reception: Renee Reimer Jim Robb and Dawn Yoder Harms  
Congregational response:

***We welcome you, Renee, as a sister in this congregation.  
We join together as companions seeking the way of Christ,  
bearing one another's burdens, and sharing our gifts with the world.***

Service of Installation for Renee Reimer, Associate Pastor for Faith Form

(See yellow insert) Kathy Neufeld Dunn,  
Western District Conference Associate Conference Minister



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**Welcoming new BC students** with the annual New Student Orientation Sunday that includes a brunch hosted by the Hospitality Commission is Aug. 18, 10:45 am. We need your help in providing a 9x12 egg casserole, fresh fruit to serve 10, 9 x 12 coffee cake or a dozen muffins. And we need help cleaning up after the event. Please sign up at the back of the sanctuary today or contact a Hospitality Commission member.

*Nadine Peters, Kathryn Simmons, Marilyn Stucky, Barb Voran, Doris Whillock*

**There will be a Mentor and Mentee Gathering** Sun., Aug. 25 beginning at 8 am in the fellowship hall. Coffee and breakfast items will be provided for all BCMC mentor and mentee pairs. Please contact your mentor or mentee and join together in fellowshiping with other mentor pairs during this early morning mentor gathering!

**Join Mennonite Church USA congregations in prayer and action** in response to the tragedies of gun violence. For more information about how to participate, follow this link: <http://mennoniteusa.org/menno-snapshots/call-to-prayer-and-action-gun-violence/>

**Lord, hear our grief.....**

We pray for the lives lost in Gilroy, California, El Paso, Texas, Dayton, Ohio, and Chicago, Illinois, which join the climbing number of those lost to gun violence in America.

Comfort the mourning, the grieving, the broken-hearted.

Compel our prayers to turn into actions.

May the triggers of our streets be beaten into plowshares.

May the triggers of our hearts be met with the open arms of our neighbors.

May we trust in the transformative power of your refining fire.

Forge us to be instruments of your peace.

Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

May our posture be of a readiness to steady a plowshare.

May we take hold of your olive branch that plots for peace.

May the plowshare break the earth of senseless violence.

May the furrows bring us a harvest of solace, a never-ending rest from violence.

May we sit under the vine and fig, on earth as it is in heaven.

May it be so. *Amen*

**Sunday, August 11, 2019**

**10:30 am** Fellowship time in the Gathering Place

**10:50 am** Faith Formation

**12:00 noon** Potluck in Fellowship Hall—Everyone is welcome

• **Senior High students**—Room 22

• **Agape**—Fellowship Hall

• **Bible Study, Catacombs, Seekers**—On summer hiatus

• **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

• **Sojourners**—KIPCOR—*Tree of Life Session 2*, Stacey Rhoades, presenter

**Monday, August 12**

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

**7:00 pm** Billie Selichnow Senior Trombone Recital—Sanctuary

**Tuesday, August 13**

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

**2:00 pm** Hospitality Commission—Rm 14

**5:30 pm** Safe Sanctuaries Task Force—Rm 14

**6:00 pm** Faith Formation Commission—Rm B7

**7:00 pm** Sunday school teacher orientation—Fellowship Hall

**Wednesday, August 14**

**10 am** Bulletin announcement deadline

**Thursday, August 15**

**3:00 pm** Witness Commission—Rm B7

**Sunday, August 18—Back to School Sunday—God with us through transitions**

**9:30 am** Worship with sermon by Renee Reimer; music by Katie Hoody, piano; Eric Massanari, djembe; Virginia Mininger, recorder; Suzy Burch, guitar; Bethany Schrag, voice; Rebecca Schloneger, violin; Backpack blessing; Welcome to new Bethel College students; 1st Day of the Junior Sunday School

**10:45 am** Brunch in Fellowship Hall for new Bethel College students

**10:30 am** Fellowship Time in the Gathering Place

**10:50 am** Faith Formation

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**August 4 at BCMC** Attendance 183. General Fund \$12,643; Living Stones \$495; *The Mennonite* \$40; Columbarium Fund \$2,000; Transfer-Sunday school \$25; Coffee \$20; Women's Fellowship \$175.

**Installation Litany for Renee Epp Reimer**  
**Associate Pastor for Faith Formation**  
**Bethel College Mennonite Church**  
**August 11, 2019**

**Kathy Neufeld Dunn, Western District Conference:** Today we celebrate the installation of Renee Epp Reimer as Associate Pastor for Faith Formation at Bethel College Mennonite Church.

**John Waltner, Church Board:** We are the Body of Christ, empowered by the Holy Spirit. We worship, nurture faith, care for one another, welcome and serve others, and proclaim God's good news in the world.

**Dave Linscheid, Staff Congregation Relations Committee:** We call our pastors to guide us in becoming fully devoted followers of Jesus who become the hands and feet of Christ in the world. We are grateful that Renee has answered the call to pastoral ministry among us.

**Dawn Yoder Harms, Pastor:** I am grateful that I will have a gifted partner in ministry. I affirm your leadership among the people of Bethel College Mennonite Church.

**Kathy:** Renee, seeing that the grace of God has called you into pastoral leadership in this church, I now ask you: Do you promise, to the best of your ability, to carry out the responsibilities of Associate Pastor for Faith Formation?

**Renee:** I do.

**Kathy:** Will you seek to be faithful in prayer, in setting forth the Scriptures, and in seeking the good of this congregation? And will you seek to live honestly, openly and justly with your brothers and sisters in this congregation?

**Renee:** I will.

**Kathy:** Will you exercise the authority that has been entrusted to you in the loving spirit of Christ; and will you build up and equip members and seekers for a deeper walk with Jesus, a stronger relationship with God, a greater reliance on the Holy Spirit, and a deeper love for all people?

**Renee:** I will.

**Kathy:** *(to congregation)* Christian friends, you have heard the commitment that Renee has made in accepting the call to serve as Associate Pastor for Faith Formation of Bethel College Mennonite Church. Do you receive her as one sent by God to provide pastoral leadership in this congregation, and do you offer your support and prayers for her ministry among you? If so, please answer, "We do."

**Congregation:** We do.

**Renee:** *(brief words of response)*

**Kathy:** Now let us join in a spirit of prayer, as we ask God's blessing on Renee:

O God, you call your people to service through the church. Bless the covenant made this day between Renee Epp Reimer and Bethel College Mennonite Church. We thank you for the calling to pastoral leadership, and pray for Renee as she accepts that role in this congregation. Be a source of strength to her. Endow her with the gifts of the Holy Spirit—love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Bind us to one another in the bond of peace.

And now, O God of peace, who brought back from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great Shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, make us complete in everything good so that we may do your will, working among us that which is pleasing in your sight. Amen.

Through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen.

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## MOUNTAIN OF GOD

Phil Campbell Enns

Canada

*verse 1*

8

D D/C#

Come let us go to a place that is

G/B Asus A

pure to learn a-bout love and wipe a-way tears He'll

D D/C# G/B

melt swords of steel and hearts made of stone, set pris'ners

*Refrain*

Asus A G

free and give strangers a home So come, come as you

D G D

are Oh come from near and far Oh

G D C

come sal-va-tion we'll taste as we climb

G D 6

the moun-tain of God.

2. *verse 2*

D D/C# G/B

From each cor-ner and end of the earth we'll ga-ther to -

Asus A D

ge-ther to sing of your worth of blind who can

D/C# G/B

see and wea-ry who rest good news for the poor, free-

Asus A 3. *verse 3*

dom for op-pressed. So New life a-waits for

D/C# G/B

all who be-lieve; all who love mer-cy, do

Asus A D

jus-tice, walk hum-bly, with Christ as our

D/C# G/B

guide u-ni-ted we'll be; liv-ing the king-

Asus A

- dom se-cure in God's peace. So

**BCMC is seeking** a director for the Chancel Bells. Job description is posted on the bulletin board by the church office. Rehearsals begin Aug. 21. Applications accepted until the position is filled. If interested, contact Barbara Thiesen, music coordinator, 316-284-2191.

**If you have any address/phone or other informational changes**, for yourself, for your children or other relatives, for acquaintances of yours — any address changes that we might need for the BCMC Directory, please inform the office at 283-3667 or office@bethelcollegemennonitechurch.org Thank you!

**The BCMC Witness Commission encourages you** to contact your congressman concerning the ongoing situation at our country's southern border. Copies of the Churchwide Statement on the Abuse of Child Migrants, adopted at the recent Mennonite Church USA Convention in Kansas City, are available if you wish to include them in your letters. A sample letter for you to view as well as congressional contact information is available under the balcony. A collection box for donations for MCC detainee kits is also located under the balcony. Lists for the kits can be found on the main bulletin board.

**As BCMC's coordinator of volunteers for New Hope Shelter**, I am grateful to all who willingly offer their volunteer services there. We could use more volunteers, so please contact me if you would be willing to serve as an evening or overnight volunteer, or to prepare and serve a meal. If you are already a volunteer, please share your positive experiences with others who might be willing to take up the task. ~ *Valetta Seymour* seymour2314@gmail.com, Phone 620-217-7536

**The Ice Cream Social for Bethel College students** is Mon., Aug. 26 at 7 pm on the lawn between Haury Hall and the Fine Arts Center. An open invitation will be made to all Bethel students. Ice cream and toppings will be provided. We would appreciate cookies, bars, and cakes. But more, we encourage members of BCMC to participate in *whatever* way you feel comfortable, by making desserts, talking with students, or just sitting back and taking in the relationships being built. Thank you in advance for your part! ~ *Brad Kohlman and the Bethel College Relations Team*

**The 2019 Women & Girls Retreat** is Sept. 6-8 at Camp Mennoscah. Schedule and registration forms are available at <http://mennowdc.org/women-girls-retreat/> or on the church bulletin board. Tammy Duvenal Unruh, debate/forensics coach from Newton will speak on the topic of being Fearless (II Tim. 1:7). Retreat is open to all women and girls grade 3 and older. Register by August 26.

**Mennonite Central Committee Central States**, 121 E. 30th St., North Newton, invites you to lunch Aug. 15, to hear from participants who recently went on the MCC South Texas Borderlands Learning Tour. Lunch is served at noon and the presentation will be after. A suggested donation of \$10 is welcome to help cover the cost of lunch. All are welcome. RSVP by Aug. 12 to patsydirksen@mcc.org or 316-283-2720.

**You're invited to Just Desserts, Offender/Victim Ministries'** summer fundraiser, Aug. 24, 7-9 pm at Carriage Factory Art Gallery park, 128 E 6th St. for an evening of sweet treats, live music, and good company. Meet current volunteers and learn more about OVM's work in our community. Tickets available online or through the OVM office. Call 316-283-2038 or visit OVM Facebook page for more information. <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/just-desserts-tickets-64393594976>

**The annual Camp Mennoscah Sing** celebration of a summer of youth camps is Aug. 11, Hoffnungsau Mennonite Church, Inman. There will be story time from 5:45 pm - 6:05 pm, followed by singing at 6:30 pm followed by popcorn, pop and conversation. All are invited.

**The Mental Health Spiritual Retreat at Camp Mennoscah** will be Sept. 1-2 with the theme of "Living Peacefully". Retreat is for individuals affected by mental illness, including family and friends. Register: [campmennoscah.org](http://campmennoscah.org).

**Camp Mennoscah 's Work & Play Camp** is Sept. 14, from 8:30 am-2:30 pm, leaving four hours at the end of the day to enjoy camp or head home. Service projects are available for many skills and abilities. A simple lunch will be provided. This is for all ages; under 18 need to be accompanied by an adult.

Hymn of celebration      *Mountain of God*      yellow insert  
Jill Siebert, leader  
Congregation: refrain and verses 2 and 3

Prayer of God's people

Offering

Offertory *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing* (arr. Matt Limbaugh)  
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*      **STJ 60**

\*Dedication prayer

**SENDING**

\*Sending hymn      *The Lord bless you and keep you*      **STJ 76**

\*Benediction

\*Benediction response

\*Postlude      *Gigue [Suite No. 3]* (Johann Ludwig Krebs)

\*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.

**Thank you to Alahna Wheat** for providing special music this morning!

**Pray for those receiving hospital care recently:** Marilyn and LaVern Stucky, Wesley Medical Center, Wichita; Roland Brown, Via Christi-St. Francis, Wichita.

**Prayer Requests**

**Mennonite Mission Network:** MMN requests prayer for Jane and Jerrell Ross Richer and family as they serve in North America. The Ross Richers engage in two-way mission and live six months in Ecuador and six months in North America, where they share their journey of mutual conversion with congregations.

**Western District Conference:** Pray for the WDC Immigration Task Force and WDC congregations offering support, legal counsel and advocacy for immigrants and refugees.

**This congregation:** Pray for children and youth in our congregation and community as they head back to school

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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–12:00 pm Mon–Fri; 1:00–5 pm Mon–Thur

**Church office is closed Friday afternoons**—Monica Lichti not in office 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 Faith Formation:** Renee Reimer, Day off: Friday—Phone: 316-283-3667; Email: renee@bethelcollegemennonitechurch.org

**Associate Pastor for Pastoral Care:**

**Office/Facilities Manager:** Monica Lichti, office@bethelcollegemennonitechurch.org

**Custodian:** Michael Crawford, 316-727-9840; day off Tuesday

**Music Coordinator:** Barbara Thiesen    **Chancel Bells Director:**

**Menno Ringers Director:** Suzy Burch    **Chancel Choir Director:** William Eash

**Junior Choir Director:** William Eash    **Cherub Choir Director:**