

Bethel College Mennonite Church
August 18, 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

It Is Well with My Soul (arr. Joel Raney)

Quiet Devotion (R. Kevin Boesiger)

Katie Hoody, piano

Call to worship, prayer

Dawn Yoder Harms

*Hymn of praise

God of our strength

HWB 36

(children come forward during hymn)

LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

Children's conversation

Megan Kohlman and Renee Reimer

Congregational hymn

My life flows on

HWB 580

Scripture reading

Psalm 27

Cliff Dick

Sermon

I was Afraid. I am Afraid.

Renee Reimer

RESPONDING IN FAITH

*Hymn

When peace, like a river

HWB 336

Prayer of God's people

Offering

Amazing Grace (arr. Lee Dengler)

Offertory

*During the offering, please sign and pass the friendship register in your
pew. When all have signed, return it to the first person.*



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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.

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!

We offer sympathy to Mary Ann Gertsen, Dorothy Unruh and their families on the death of their sister, Viola Unruh, Aug. 9, Kidron Bethel Village. The memorial service will be Oct. 5, time to be announced later.

We offer sympathy to Keith Brown and Cliff Brown and their families on the death of their father, Roland Brown, Aug. 16. A date for the memorial service will be announced later.

Pray for those receiving hospital care recently: LaVern Stucky, Wesley Medical Center, Wichita; Dorothy Harder, Newton Medical Center; Louise Thieszen, Henry Ford Hospital, Detroit, Michigan.

Another choral year is upon us and I am looking forward to singing with you again! The first rehearsal for Chancel Choir is Wed., Aug. 21, 7:30 p.m. in the chancel of BCMC. Please encourage friends and neighbors interested in singing to join us for the fall. We can always add additional rows of chairs! ~ *William Eash*

It's time for choirs for adults and children to meet

Wednesdays! Rehearsals begin Aug. 21

- Chancel Choir (high school age and up)—7:30 to 8:30 pm—Sanctuary—William Eash, director
- Cherub Choir (Kindergarten—4th grade)—6:30 to 7:15 pm—Rm 24—Dawn Yoder Harms, substitute
- Junior Choir (5th—8th grade)—6:30 to 7:15 pm—Rm 28—William Eash, director
- Menno Ringers (handbell choir for children 5th—8th grade)—7:15 to 7:45 pm—Rm B7—Suzanne Burch, director
- Chancel Bells (handbell choir for high school age and up)—8:30 to 9:30 pm—Rm B-7



The Next Week at BCMC: August 18—August 25, 2019

Sunday, Aug. 18, 2019—Back to School—God with us through transitions

10:30 am Fellowship time in the Gathering Place

10:45 am Brunch Welcoming new BC students: Hosted by the Hospitality Commission—Fellowship Hall

10:50 am Faith Formation

- **2 & 3 year olds**—Room B6
- **K through 4th grade** in Room B3; **5–8th grade** in Room 26
- **Senior High students**—Room 22
- **Agape**—Fellowship Hall
- **Bible Study, Catacombs**—On summer hiatus
- **Fellowship**—Room B7
- **Fine Arts**—Room 24
- **Issues & Christianity**—Room 23
- **Mosaic**—Room 20—Sermon reflection and other current topics
- **Open Circle**—Room 21—Worship reflection and response
- **Seekers**—Room 21—*Texas Borderlands Report*
- **Sojourners**—KIPCOR—*Tree of Life Session 3*, Stacey Rhoades, presenter

6:00 pm Newton Community Children's Choir Parents Meeting—Sanctuary

Monday, August 19

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

Tuesday, August 20

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

4:00 pm Staff Congregation Relations Committee—Rm 14

7:00 pm Creation Care Committee—Rm 14

7:00 pm Worship Commission—Rm 23

Wednesday, August 21

8:00 am Staff worship planning —Rm 14

10:00 am Bulletin announcement deadline

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

7:00 pm Senior High Youth

7:15 pm Menno Ringers—Rm B7

7:30 pm Chancel Choir—Sanctuary

8:30 pm Chancel Bells—Rm B7

Sunday, August 25

9:30 am Worship with sermon by Dawn Yoder Harms; Dedication of new church year, and Sunday Schools, Commission, Committees, Church Board

10:30 am Fellowship Time in the Gathering Place **10:50 am** Faith Formation

August 11 at BCMC Attendance 210. General Fund \$12,029; Living Stones \$630; Sr Hi Youth \$25; Transfer-General \$250; *The Mennonite* \$37; Transfer-Funeral \$550; Coffee Fund \$15; Rosemary Moyer Memorial \$50; Eleanor Kaufman Memorial \$275; Women's Fellowship \$500.

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, inform the office at 283-3667 or office@bethelcollegemennonitechurch.org

As BCMC's coordinator of volunteers for New Hope Shelter, I am grateful to all who willingly offer their volunteer services. We could use more volunteers, 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, share your positive experiences with others who might be willing to take up the task. ~ *Valetta Seymour*
seymour2314@gmail.com, Phone 620-217-7536

Opening reception for Kauffman Museum's award-winning "K is for Kansas: An Exhibit Exploring Kansas from A to Z," today, 1:30-4:30 pm. This is a come-and-go event, with introductory remarks at 2 and 3:30 pm, refreshments and "Kansas lawn games" inside the museum. Exhibit is at the museum through Feb. 2, 2020; see kauffman.bethelks.edu or the museum's Facebook page.

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*

Tabor Mennonite Church, Newton, invites everyone to their church park, Aug. 25, 5:30 pm for their annual MennoGrass event. Supper is provided. Music by Hopeful Blues and the Flannelbacks will begin around 6. Please bring table service and lawn chairs.

Join Mennonite Church USA staff, 718 N Main St. Newton, Sept 4, 2-3 pm to hear from Mennonite Mission Network International Service Workers Mark & Mary Hurst share about their work with the Anabaptist Association of Australia and New Zealand, where they have served since 1990.

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 open to women and girls grade 3 and older. Register by Aug. 26.

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 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 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.

The next Work & Play Day at Camp Mennoscah is Sept. 14. Join us for service, a simple lunch, and some free time in the afternoon (your choice). Register online at campmennoscah.org or call 620-297-3290.

The Mennonite Central Committee Flatlander Bike Ride will be Sept. 21, starting at the MCC office, 121 E. 30th, North Newton. The event is to raise funds for an MCC water development project in Nigeria, with rides of 35, 45, or 65 miles and a shorter family ride. Brochures are on the bulletin board or the MCC website: mcc.org/get-involved/events/mcc-flatlander-bicycle-ride where you can also register. To contribute to this MCC project, make check payable to MCC with "Flatlander Bike Ride" on the memo line and send to MCC, PO Box 235, North Newton, KS, 67117.

KIPCOR's 2019-2020 Film Series begins with "Lost Angels: Skid Row is My Home", Sept. 8, 3 pm in Bethel College's Krehbiel Auditorium. The film examines the plight of the homeless through eight individuals trying to make a life within their Los Angeles community of homelessness. Post film discussion led by James Wilson, Executive Director of the New Hope Shelter in Newton, and by a member of the Wichita Police Department's Homeless Outreach Team.

*Dedication hymn *The Lord is my light* **STJ 97**

*Dedication prayer

SENDING

*Sending hymn *My soul cries out* **STS 124**

*Benediction

*Benediction response

*Postlude *Hymn of Grateful Praise* (arr. Paul Taylor)

*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.

A special welcome to Bethel College students with us this morning. We are glad for your presence with us and hope you enjoy the student brunch served in the Fellowship Hall following the service!

Thank you to the musicians this morning: Katie Hoody, piano; Eric Massanari, djembe; Virginia Mininger, recorder; Suzy Burch, guitar; Bethany Schrag, voice; Rebecca Schloneger, violin.

Sunday School for children and youth will begin THIS Sunday, Aug. 18 at 10:50 am. This week, the Sunday School hour for children (4th grade and under) will begin in room B-8. Parents/guardians are asked to pick up children in their Sunday School room at 11:45 am. Youth in grades 5th-12th grade will meet in their Sunday School room beginning at 10:50 am.

Prayer Requests

Mennonite Mission Network: MMN is grateful to God and to Laura Schlabach who has served as interim executive director for JCS in Mongolia for the past year. Pray for Elisabeth Mensert who assumed executive responsibilities July 1 and for Laura as she returns to former roles in the country where she has worked since 1993.

Western District Conference: As a new school year approaches, give thanks for the WDC Resource Library and the materials it offers for teachers, mentors, youth sponsors and pastors as they nurture faith formation in their congregations.

This congregation: Pray for Bethel College faculty, staff, and students as this new school year begins.

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–12:00 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

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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:** Dawn Yoder Harms, sub.