



**Bethel College Mennonite Church
February 2, 2020 — Worship 9:30 am**

**Our faith in a God of love leads us, by the power of the Spirit,
to follow Jesus in doing justice, loving mercy,
and walking humbly with God.**

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 *All depends on our possessing* (arr. Peeters)
Verlene Garber, organ

Introit *O come let us worship and bow down* (Moyer)
Chancel Choir; Riley King, director; Verlene Garber, accompanist

Call to worship, prayer Dawn Yoder Harms

*Hymn of praise *Blest are they* **STJ 94**

(children come forward during hymn for children's conversation)

LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

Children's conversation Mentor Dedication Faith Formation Commission

Congregation Response: We are thankful for these young people, their parents, and their mentors. It is our prayer that our church can continue to be a place for our youth to grow. We as a church promise to support and pray for these mentoring relationships. May God bless each of you as you continue to grow together.

Worship Music *Do not be afraid* (Stopford) Chancel Choir

Scripture reading Matthew 5:1-12 Dorothy Nickel Friesen

Sermon *And we won't be silent anymore* Renee Reimer

RESPONDING IN FAITH

*Hymn *Beauty for brokenness* **STS 115**

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 *Pastorale* (Bach)

*Dedication hymn *You are all we have* **STJ 29**

*Dedication prayer

SENDING

*Sending hymn *How can we be silent* **STJ 61**

*Benediction

Postlude

Please be seated for the 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. 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/mentee gathering today., Feb. 2 following Sunday school. Meet in fellowship hall for food, conversation, and a time of putting together care packages for our college students!

The Next Week at BCMC: February 2—February 9, 2020

Sunday, February 2, 2020

10:30 am Fellowship time in the Gathering Place

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**—Rm B8
- **Bible Study**—Rm 14
- **Catacombs**—Rm B5—*Mennonite poets: who, how many, what do they write?*—Harvey Hiebert
- **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 28—*Two Popes*
- **Sojourners**—*Titian's Diatesseron: The scandal about the four Gospels and what to do about it*—John Esau

Monday, February 3

1-5 pm Mission Quilters (all quilters welcome!)—Rm B5

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

7:00 pm Facilities Committee—Fellowship Hall

7-9 pm Newton Chorale Rehearsal—Sanctuary

Tuesday, February 4

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

7:00 pm Creation Care Committee—Rm 14

Wednesday, February 5

8:00 am Staff worship planning —Rm 14

10:00 am Bulletin announcement deadline

4:00 pm Visual Arts Committee—Rm 14

6:15 pm Safe Sanctuaries Task Force and Leadership Team—Rm 14

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

6:30 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, February 9

9:00 am Parent Meeting—Fellowship Hall

9:30 am Worship with sermon by Dawn Yoder Harms; music by Junior and Cherub Choir

10:30 am Fellowship in the Gathering Place

10:50 am Faith Formation

Pray for those receiving medical care this week: Omar Voran is receiving inpatient rehabilitation at Newton Medical Center.

After the worship service today, the members of the Jr. High Club will be selling an assortment of Super Bowl snacks. Snacks will be sold by donation. Donations will go toward the Junior High Fund, which is used to support activities like Snow Camp and Know Jesus. The goal for this fundraiser is \$1500. (IRS allows charitable deductions for the amount of the contribution in excess of the value of the item received. To receive a record of your charitable donation, please make a check payable to BCMC and enter Junior High Fund in the memo along with the amount that is a charitable contribution). We appreciate your support of our Jr. High Club members.

Guess Who's Coming to Dinner, an annual event hosted by the Hospitality Commission, is right around the corner. You can either sign up as a host or a guest. The Host decides the maximum number of people he/she will host plus provides the main dish, the beverage and maybe the bread. The guest provides either a vegetable, salad, dessert and maybe the bread. Feb. 16, the guests find out what dish they provide and the hosts find out the number of guests. On the morning of Feb. 23, the guests are given their destination. At noon, the hosts find out who their guests are. It's a fun event that encourages time to get to know others in a relaxed setting and an added bonus of helping chase away the winter blues! Sign up in the back of the church on **today and Feb. 9** or email kthrnssimmons@gmail.com.

There will be a brief winter parent's meeting Sun., Feb. 9 beginning promptly at 9 am. We will meet in fellowship hall while the cherub and junior choirs are warming up for worship. Coffee and some very light refreshments will be available!

Date change for April Women's Fellowship Meeting: Due to upcoming kitchen renovations Women's Fellowship will meet **April 14** instead of April 21. Please mark your calendar.

January 26 at BCMC: Attendance 224. General Fund \$12,132; Living Stones \$65; Women's Fellowship \$684; Funeral Transfer \$846.93; Sr Hi Youth \$3,107; Columbarium Fund \$1,500; Ralph Lehman Mem. \$50.

The first Life Enrichment session for Spring 2020 is February 5.

9:30 am Athletic Department Transition—Andy Johnson and Tony Hoops

10:35 am Don't give them a cup, give them a cow—Arlin Buller

11:30 am Smoky Valley Bluegrass Band—Don Alvord, rural Galva

If you'd like to be a Newton Et Cetera Shop volunteer you are invited to a new volunteer orientation on Tues., Feb. 11, 6-7 pm. Et Cetera is currently seeking volunteers to help with costumes, greeting cards, holiday items and clerking.

Camp Mennoscah is looking for college-aged people to fill summer staff positions (lifeguard, nature, music, crafts, office) and someone 21 or older to fill the new position of "director of support." This position is summer-long to assist the camp director, summer staff, program and support staff through management, coordination, and communication. Complete your application for any of these positions: campmennoscahstaff.campbrainstaff.com Questions can be directed to olivia.bartel@campmennoscah.org or 620-297-3290.

Scrapbook and Crafts Retreats at Camp Mennoscah Feb. 28-March 1 and March 6-8. Register online at www.campmennoscah.org! These retreats fill up fast. Questions at 620-297-3290 or office@campmennoscah.org.

Youth Volunteer Weekend is March 13-14 at Camp Mennoscah. Registration is through the summer youth camp registration which opens at the beginning of February. This retreat is for grades 7-graduating seniors.

Kauffman Museum bird walk (moved from the first Saturday for February) Feb. 8, meet at 8 am in the museum parking lot, corner of Main and 27th streets, North Newton – experienced birders lead a walk of 1 to 1.5 hours.

KIPCOR Film Series: *The Great White Hoax*, Feb. 9, 3 pm; talkback follows with Mark McCormick – Krehbiel Auditorium at Bethel College.

Everence will host a Social Security and retirement income planning workshop, about Social Security strategies, risks that can impact retirement savings and strategies to help income last throughout retirement, Feb. 10, 6:30 pm, at the Everence office, 3179 N. Main St., Suite 1B, North Newton and Feb. 13, 6:30 pm at the Hutchinson Everence office, 524 E. 30th Ave. Workshop is free, but space is limited. Reserve a spot by contacting Michelle Ramer: michelle.ramer@everence.com or 316-283-3800, 877-467-7294.

The Newton Community for Racial Justice presents a Book Discussion Series at the Newton Public Library, 720 N. Oak. The discussion on Feb. 26, 7 pm, is on the book, *White Fragility*, by Robin DiAngelo. Karin Kaufman Wall, Peace and Justice Education Coordinator at Mennonite Central Committee, Central States, is the discussion leader.

Better understand your financial resources and philanthropy in terms of your goals and your faith for both you and your church at the 2020 Anabaptist Vision and Discipleship Series (AVDS) conference, Feb. 21 to 23 at Hesston College. In partnership with Everence Financial, weekend presentations will focus on understanding your personal history with money and resources, careers, hospitality, finances, generosity, trauma and economic injustice, health and wellness and more. Multiple registrants from the same congregation receive a registration discount, and clergy can attend at no cost. Register by Feb. 10 at hesston.edu/avds.

If interested in learning more about creation care, Feb. 27, 6:30 pm, Western District Conference will host a gathering at their conference room, 2517 N. Main, for anyone to watch a webinar sponsored by Mennonite Creation Care Network, followed by conversation together. For more information, see *Caring for climate: Beyond denial and despair*. Since the webinar is around a mealtime, you are invited to bring some "creation-friendly" finger-foods to share. Drinks will be provided. (You can also watch the webinar on your own, or sign up to receive a link to a recording afterwards).

Bethel College Organ Recital Series: KU graduate students Mark Campbell and Edward Poston, featuring Kimberly Poston, soprano, Feb. 11, 7 pm, Administration Building chapel. This is a change in schedule; Shirley Sprunger King will play in the series April 17.

Young Adult Snow Camp (anyone between ages 18 and 30) at Rocky Mountain Mennonite Camp is Feb. 7-9. Join fellow young adults worship together, play group games, enjoy the beauty of the outdoors, and more. During the worship sessions Tory Bonners will share on the topic of "Structuring Our Faith" and how we live out faith in the context of our lives. The cost is \$100 to cover meals, lodging, and the program. Online registration is available at www.rmmc.org or call 719-687-9506.

Join an MCC learning tour to Palestine and Israel, June 4-14, 2020, an impactful and informative trip which is open for 14 people. On this trip meet Palestinian Christians, hear from Israelis and Palestinians about their current challenges and joys and engage in education and advocacy on Palestine and Israel. Visit mcc.org/events to find out more and sign up for the trip.

Kidron Bethel Parkinson's Support Group will meet Feb. 4, 2 pm in Menno Hall. The group will share their experiences with Parkinson's and how they manage the symptoms. All are invited.

The KANSAS MENNONITE RELIEF SALE is April 17-18:

- **My Coins Count** will kick off during the Children's Conversation next Sunday February 9.
- **Support this year's \$84,525 operating budget** through your Sunday School offering.
- **Want to become informed about what MCC has done over its 100 year history?** Go to 100 stories for 100 years MCC US.
- **Email photos of general and silent auction items** for the sale website to photos@kansas.mccsale.org
- **Donate a car, truck, tractor or mower** to the General Auction. If buying a new vehicle, donate the old one rather than trading it in. If it doesn't run, Jerry Toews may be able to fix it for the sale.
- **Quilts and comforters made by BCMC members** will be displayed at the back of the sanctuary March 15, and delivered to the MCC center the following day.
- More information is on Facebook and at <http://kansas.mccsale.org>. This year's BCMC liaisons are Wes and Ada Schmidt-Tieszen, Kathy and Dennis Campbell, and Dale and Margo Schrag.

2020 is the 100 year anniversary of the Mennonite Central Committee.

The Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale would like to celebrate this milestone by gifting MCC ONE MILLION DOLLARS. The Kansas Sale was founded to support the ministry of Relief, Development, and Peace in the name of Christ. This would require 1,000 people to each give \$1,000 to get to one million dollars by April 17, the first day of the 2020 Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale. Send your check made payable to KMRS earmarked "centennial gift" to Tim Miller, Relief Sale Treasurer, 4805 S. Broadacres Rd, Hutchinson, KS 67501. Questions: Contact BCMC liaisons Wes and Ada Schmidt-Tieszen (316) 283-1182, Kathy and Dennis Campbell (316) 283-5151, or Dale and Margo Schrag (316) 283-6031, or KMRS Board Chair Jim Robb (620) 747-0186.

Thank you for your work and participation in the Great Winter Warm Up at one of the 22 events around the Mennonite Central Committee Central States region! The comforter count right now is a little over 5,500 from across the U.S. and Canada. MCC is still gathering information from all the events and will have the official tally by the end of the month. If you are looking for another opportunity to make comforters for MCC, save the date for the Comforter Blitz in Yoder on March 2, 3, and 4.

Prayer Requests

Mennonite Mission Network: MMN requests prayer for the Anabaptist youth in Burgos, Spain, as they prepare for their annual *Origen* conference. Over the years, many lives have been transformed through the *Origen* experience. Pray that God would use this year's event to touch lives needing healing and hope.

Western District Conference: Give thanks for the WDC Resource Library, and pray for God to nurture growth in faith and discipleship for all who use library resources.

This congregation: Pray for students, faculty and staff at Bethel College as they begin a new semester.

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 the 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 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

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