

Mennonite Mission Network Prayer Request: Laura Schlabach, of Mennonite Mission Network, has had a steep learning curve during the past year in the JCS International office, as she learned new administrative skills for responding to the crises caused by COVID-19 in Mongolia. She requests prayer to improve her communication skills, especially in the Mongolian language.

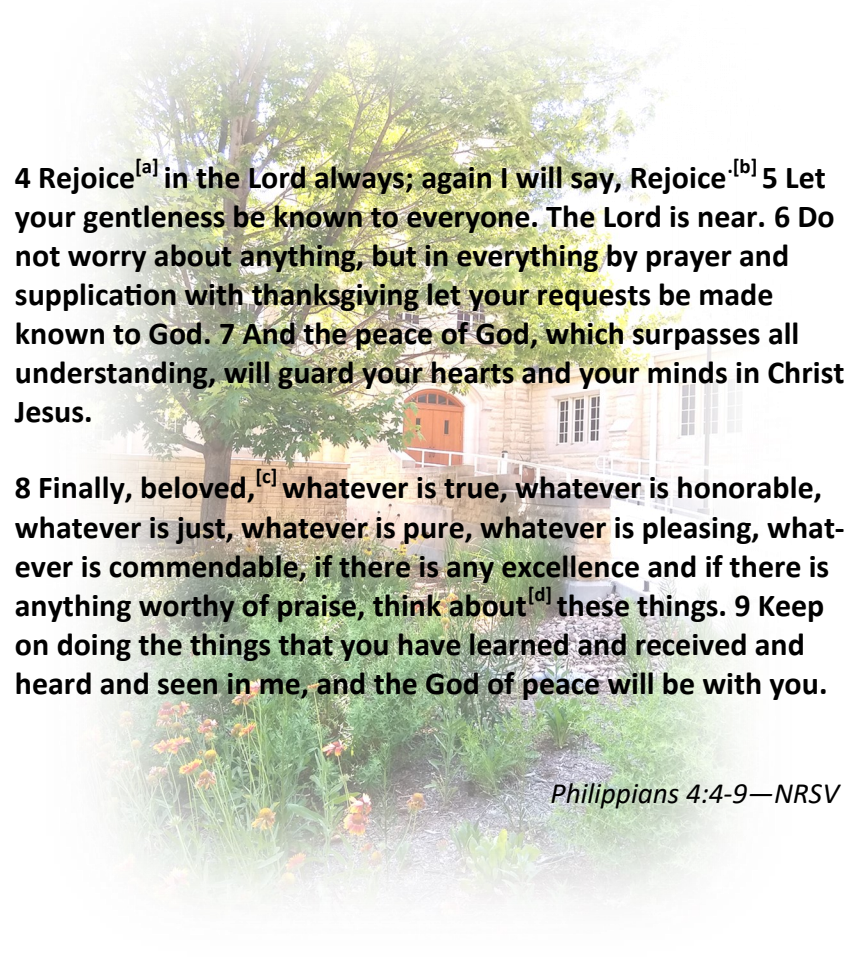
Western District Conference Prayer Request: As a new school year begins, pray for health and strength for all students, teachers and mentors in WDC congregations.

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 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
Building is locked weekdays at 5 pm unless evening activities are scheduled
Saturdays—building is locked; Sundays—building is locked at 2 pm
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Bethel College Mennonite Church August 15, 2021



4 Rejoice^[a] in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice^[b] 5 Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. 6 Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. 7 And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

8 Finally, beloved,^[c] whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about^[d] these things. 9 Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

Philippians 4:4-9—NRSV

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.

BETHEL COLLEGE MENNONITE CHURCH

August 15, 2021

Prelude *Beautiful Savior* (arr. David Cherwien) [VT 130]
Light Dawns on a Weary World (arr. David Cherwien) [VT 205]
Praise to the Lord, the Almighty (arr. David Cherwien) [VT 88]
Christopher Shaw, organ

Lighting the Christ Candle Dale Schrag

Welcome

Prayer

*Hymn of Praise *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty* VT 88

Children’s Conversation Rebecca Schloneger

Scripture Reading Philippians 4:1-9

Sermon *Grounded in Gratitude* Dawn Yoder Harms

*Hymn of Response *My Life flows on* VT 605

Prayers of God’s people

*Sending Hymn *God, Be with Us* VT 613

Benediction

Postlude *Toccata Brevis* (Daniel Gawthrop)

VT = Voices Together

Audio visual: Ben Lichti

Pastors: Renee Reimer, Nathan Koontz, Dawn Yoder Harms

A memorial service planned to remember Rosalind Andreas will be Saturday, Aug 21, 1:30 pm, BCMC Sanctuary. You are welcome to attend the service in-person. It will also be recorded and/or live streamed.

In light of the current high level of community COVID-19 transmission in Harvey County (per the CDC) and what we are learning about the Delta variant (it can be spread by those vaccinated), the Reopening Task Group has revised safety guidelines for life at BCMC. You can find them here. In summary: Sunday morning worship will continue to be offered in-person and via live stream.

Masks are required inside the church building during worship, Sunday School classes (for adults and children), commission/committee meetings, and other indoor gatherings.

Please be mindful of maintaining physical distance between you and others. Specifically, on Sunday mornings, find a seat in front of a piece of blue tape, and leave space between you and other family units in your row. Seating is also available in the balcony.

If your Sunday School class, commission/committee/small group would like to meet over Zoom, please contact one of the pastors to help set up a meeting with a BCMC zoom account.

Whether vaccinated or unvaccinated, please do not attend church gatherings, indoors or outdoors, if you are feeling unwell.

If you have questions, you can be in touch with anyone on the Reopening Task Group: Dawn Yoder Harms, Nathan Koontz, Renee Reimer, Monica Lichti, Doris Whillock, Barbara Thiesen, Susie Swartley, Jeanette Stucky

BCMC welcomes new Bethel College students! Although COVID-19 has disrupted our practice of inviting new students to worship at BCMC as part of their orientation, BCMC will help welcome new students this today at Bethel College. Pastors Renee and Nathan will help lead a worship service for new students in Memorial Hall, and following worship, the Hospitality Commission, Bethel College Relations Committee, and Education Service and Scholarship Committee members will welcome new students on Centennial Plaza with home-baked cookies (thank you, Brenda Turner!)

The Library Theme for the next couple of months is Creation Care/Nature. We have many wonderful books to browse through/read. Please come check out our display behind the desk and on the cart in front of the desk. The children's section's books are displayed on the book trays on the south side of the room, while the Junior Section have their books displayed around their shelving area. We didn't pull all of the books on this subject (there are many!), so feel free to look this subject up on our library website. You may just find one that you would like to read.