

Mennonite Mission Network Prayer Request: Mennonite Mission Network requests prayer for Mennonite Bible School (formerly Bethany Bible School) in Mthatha, South Africa. Praise God for the visionary leadership of Reuben Mgodeli, and pray for the 41 church leaders who graduated this year.

Western District Conference Prayer Request: Pray for the WDC Annual Assembly planning team looking ahead to preparations for our annual conference gathering, July 29-31, 2022.

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 hours: 9 am–12:00 pm Mon–Fri; 1:00–5 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

Associate Pastor for Faith Formation: Renee Reimer, Day off: Friday—

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Chancel Choir Director: William Eash Menno Singers Director: Virginia Mininger

Chancel Bells Director: Verlene Garber Menno Ringers Director: Suzanne Burch

BETHEL COLLEGE MENNONITE CHURCH

January 30, 2022

Prelude	Partita on <i>Christ Is Our Cornerstone</i> (Charles Callahan)	Karen Unruh, organ
Christ Candle Lighting		Sara Dick
Welcome and Prayer		
Hymn	<i>Holy Spirit, Come with Power</i>	VT 57
Children’s Conversation		Barb Koontz
Scripture Reading	John 13:34-35	Al Peters
Sermon	<i>God Does Not Leave Us Abandoned</i>	Nathan Koontz
Hymn	<i>Now, on Land and Sea Descending</i>	VT 503
Kin-dom Report		Elizabeth Schmidt
Prayers of God’s People		
Hymn	<i>Go, My Children</i>	VT 830
Benediction		Nathan Koontz
Postlude		Karen Unruh

VT = Voices Together

Audio visual—Francis Toews

Pastors—Renee Reimer, Nathan Koontz

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.

This week at BCMC

▪ Sunday, January 30, 2022

9:30 am No In-person worship today—please join the service by live-stream

1 pm Congregational Meeting via Zoom

▪ Monday, January 31, 2022

▪ Tuesday, February 1, 2022

9—11 am Community Playschool

7 pm Creation Care Committee

▪ Wednesday, February 2, 2022

7 pm Menno Ringers in B7

▪ Thursday, February 3, 2022

9—11 am Community Playschool

6:15 pm Chancel Bells in Room B7

7 pm Church Board Meeting via Zoom

▪ Sunday, February 6, 2022

9:30 am Worship Service in the Sanctuary—Installation of Pastor Todd Schlosser

10:30 am Safe Sanctuary Training in Fellowship Hall and by Zoom

Congregational Meeting is today, January 30 at 1 pm by Zoom. It will not be a hybrid meeting. The Zoom link for the meeting is:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81352999266?pwd=NkZQK1gyMFhoMGVDZm1zY1lCOTFWZz09>

Meeting ID: 813 5299 9266

Passcode: 004219

There are copies of the Financial Reports booklet on the ledge by the church mailboxes.

Save the date for the next Safe Sanctuary training on Sunday, February 6th from 10:30am-11:30am. This training will take place in the fellowship hall but will be available over zoom too. Please email Renee for a link if you'd like to join via zoom. Please plan to attend if you are a mentor, youth/child Sunday School teacher, sponsor, or Wednesday night club leader and did not attend a training this past fall.

The new Library Theme is focusing on the state of Kansas. Check out the many books that celebrate Kansas. Also, a couple of 2000 piece puzzles in excellent condition have been donated to the library. We are using them as a fundraiser. We are asking for a minimum donation of \$5 for one puzzle. Just place your donation in the basket or give it to the committee person on duty. We look forward to seeing you in the library and let us know of any addition you would like us to add to our collection. *Library Committee*

Now in the Regier Gallery in Luyken Fine Arts Center at Bethel College – Ernest Vincent Wood III, “Redefining,” through Feb. 24 (closing reception Feb. 24). *Gallery hours: Mon.-Fri., 9 a.m.-4 p.m.*

Sat., Feb. 5 – Kauffman Museum first-Saturday bird walk, 8 a.m. start time in the museum parking lot at the corner of Main and 27th streets in North Newton. Experienced birders lead a walk of 1-1.5 hours in Chisholm Park and on Sand Creek Trail (terrain is mostly wood-chip path and sometimes uneven/sloping).

Tues., Feb. 8 – Bethel College Organ Recital Series with Dr. David Pickering of Kansas State University, 7 p.m., Administration Building chapel. *Current Bethel COVID protocols require masking indoors regardless of vaccination status.*

Fri., Feb. 11 – Guest recital with Bethel College Professor Emeritus of Music Don Kehrberg, oboe, 7 p.m., Administration Building chapel. *Current Bethel COVID protocols require masking indoors regardless of vaccination status.*

The Deacon Commission would like to thank all the members of the congregation for their care for each other and others outside the congregation. You have continued to connect to each other in various ways, meeting outside in nice weather, wearing masks and distancing in Fellowship Hall, gathering in smaller groups in neighborhoods and sometimes visiting over Facetime or Zoom. You have stayed connected through your Sunday school groups, quilting groups, community events, common interest groups, volunteer jobs, and church meetings and events. You have emailed your friends, sent cards to people you are thinking about, and called people on the phone just to chat. Thank you for continuing to be a church community together, sometimes in new and creative ways.
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N95 Masks Again Available at BCMC

We again have high quality N95 masks available for those who need them. They are available inside the south entrance of BCMC. These masks are particularly useful if you are at high risk of severe COVID 19 and you need or want to participate in a more high risk activity. While no mask creates absolute safety, wearing a well-fitted N95 mask can reduce your risk and make activities safer. This includes activities such as a trip to the grocery store, watching a basketball game, or going to the doctor's office. Part of the rationale behind these masks offered at BCMC is to provide N95 masks for those who may not be able to navigate online purchasing options. N95 masks are not readily available in our local stores. If you know of someone who would benefit from an N95 mask, please pass this information on to them, or stop by the church and grab one for them.