

Mennonite Mission Network Prayer Request: Christy Harrison and Peter Sensenig, jointly serving with Eastern Mennonite Missions and Mennonite Mission Network, traveled to Benin and Chad in preparation for a new ministry among Muslim and Christian believers. Pray for them as they complete their assignment at Paris (France) Mennonite Center and discern God's leading into their next ministry location.

Western District Conference Prayer Request: Pray for all WDC congregations as we journey through this Holy Week, remembering Jesus' death and recognizing his presence in places of suffering and grief in our communities and world today.

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
 Notary public service is available in the church office

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- Chancel Choir Director: William Eash Menno Singers Director: Virginia Mininger
- Chancel Bells Director: Verlene Garber Menno Ringers Director: Suzanne Burch

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

April 10, 2022

**From power over to power with
Palm Sunday: Seeking God's Ways**

Prelude *All Hail the Power of Jesus Name* (arr. McDonald)
Hosanna, Loud Hosanna (arr. La Plante)
Will Wiebe Friesen, organ

Lighting the Christ Candle Todd Schlosser

Welcome and Prayer

Leader: Your ways, O God, are higher than our ways.
People: Your thoughts are higher than our thoughts.
 Leader: We seek God's ways.
People: Lord, move us from seeking the power to control others to instead using power with them for everyone's healing and wholeness.

Lenten Prayer of Confession
 Leader: Holy One, we seek you while you may be found.
People: We call upon you while you are near.
 Leader: Have mercy on us, O God, for our thoughts are not your thoughts, and our ways are not your ways.
People: Forgive us for seeking power over others and let us instead seek power with and for the most vulnerable.
 Leader: As we walk with Christ on this Lenten journey, let us see your way more clearly.
ALL: and follow your way more faithfully.

Palm Procession *Hosanna, Loud Hosanna* (arr. Morris)
Chancel Bells; Verlene Garber, director

Children's Conversation Esther Koontz

*Hymn *Ride on, Ride on in Majesty* [verses 1, 2, 4] VT 316

Scripture Reading *Matthew 21:1-11; Philippians 2:5-11* Patricia Shelly

Sermon *Coming up Empty* Dale Schrag

*Hymn *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name* VT 364

Prayers of God's people

Todd Schlosser

*Hymn *All Glory, Laud, and Honor* VT 315

*Benediction

Benediction Response *Ride on, Ride on in Majesty* (Joel Raney) Chancel Bells

Postlude *Grand Choeur Grégorienne* (by A. Guilmant)
Will Wiebe Friesen

VT = *Voices Together*

*Please stand if you are able

Audio visual—Francis Toews

Pastors—Renee Reimer, Nathan Koontz, and Todd Schlosser

As we continue to seek God's way on our Lenten journey, we will gather for a Maundy Thursday worship service, April 14 at 7 pm in the sanctuary. We will share in Christ's body through communion and also share resources by contributing financially to the Deacon's Caring Fund. Please join us in-person or virtually for this time as we remember and enact Jesus' last supper.

Plan to attend the congregational meeting April 24, in the sanctuary at 1 pm. The meeting will also be live-streamed.

Come one, come all - to the 2022 BCMC Camp Mennoscah Church Retreat! This year's retreat is on May 7-8 (Mother's Day Weekend), and we hope that you'll be able to join us for some fun, fellowship, fishing, and festivities in the glory of God's fantastic creation. Meals and lodging are both available, and pre-registration is strongly encouraged. There won't be worship in the BCMC building on May 8, so even if spending the night isn't for you, please consider making the trip out on Sunday morning to worship - where we will hopefully be celebrating the act of baptism again.

If you have any questions or would like to help out in anyway, please reach out to Adam Robb (adamandjillrobb@gmail.com) and if you're planning to attend, please use the link here <https://forms.gle/FAhg5S Zorn's rH6> to sign up! Thanks, and we hope to see you there!

The current Library Theme is a timely topic, Stories from Ukraine. We have several books that are new to our Ukraine collection and should be added this week. Come check out what our library has to offer!

The Library Committee would like to extend our puzzle sale as a mini fundraiser to support the buying of more books! If you have a puzzle that is in excellent/very good condition, please consider donating it to the library and we will sell it for \$5! Let's rotate our jigsaw puzzles, have fun, and support the library!

This week at BCMC

▪ Sunday, April 10, 2022—Palm Sunday

9:30 am Worship Service (in person and live streamed)

The church nursery is staffed during worship and Sunday School

Children and youth Sunday School classes! 10:30-11:30 am

Preschoolers - Room B4 Middlers (3rd-8th graders) - Room 26

High School - Room 24 Koinonia (college students welcome!) - The Agape

House The Agape Class will meet in Room B8

Adult Classes (If meeting): Bible Study (Rm 14); Catacombs (Rm B5);

Fellowship (B7); Fine Arts (Rm 22); Issues and Christianity (Rm 23); Book Study

(Rm 20); Open Circle (Room 21); Seekers (Rm 28); Sojourners (Chapel)

▪ Tuesday, April 12, 2022

9-11 am Community Playschool

4 pm Lent Prayers by Zoom

▪ Wednesday, April 13, 2022

7-8 pm Youth Group in Fellowship Hall

7 pm Wednesday Night Club for 3rd to 8th Graders

7:30 pm Chancel Choir in the Sanctuary

▪ Thursday, April 14, 2022—Maundy Thursday

4 pm Staff Congregation Relations Committee meeting in Room 14

6:15 pm Chancel Bells in Room B7

7 pm **Maundy Thursday Service in the Sanctuary**

7:30 pm Finance Committee meeting in Fellowship Hall

▪ Friday, April 15, 2022—Good Friday

▪ Saturday, April 16, 2022

3 pm **Memorial for Larry Friesen in the Sanctuary—You are welcome to attend in person or view the service live-streamed through the BCMC website**

Sunday, April 17—Easter Sunday

9:30 am Worship Service (in person and live streamed)

10:30 am Faith Formation

There will be a memorial service for Larry Friesen, Saturday, April 16 at 3 pm in the BCMC Sanctuary. You are welcome to attend in person or view the service live-streamed through the BCMC website.

The annual meeting of the Corporation of the Community Playschool, Inc. will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, April 11, 2022, Fellowship Hall, Bethel College Mennonite Church. This meeting will be open to members of the corporation which includes members of sponsoring churches. All are welcome!