

Mennonite Mission Network Prayer Request: Tomorrow, Eastern Mennonite High School students will conclude their week-long Mennonite Mission Network civil rights tour in the southern United States through the Youth Venture program. Pray for participants as they apply their new perspectives to the injustice in their home communities and congregations. Pray also for participants in Youth Venture’s two July civil rights tours and an immigration/borderlands tour. Application deadline is May 1.

Western District Conference Prayer Request: Pray for WDC’s Israel-Palestine Relations Task Force, as they host a zoom conversation this week with Jonathan Kuttab, and seek to raise awareness and deepen understanding of pathways toward justice and peace.

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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- Custodian: Michael Crawford—day off Tuesday
- Music Coordinators: Barbara Thiesen and Verlene Garber
- 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 3, 2022
From Scarcity to Abundance
Lent 5: Seeking God’s Ways

Prelude Verlene Garber, organ; Lucy Burch, flute

Introit *O God, We Call* [VT 683]
 Chancel Choir; William Eash, director; Verlene Garber, accompanist

Christ Candle Lighting John Kliever

Call to Worship
 Leader: Together we seek the way of God,
People: who makes a way in the sea and provides rivers in the desert.
 Leader: God fills our lives with love and beauty as sweet fragrance fills the air.
People: We live within the abundance of God,
 Leader: so let us laugh and shout for joy
All: as we worship God together.

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 believing the myth of scarcity. Help us live into your
 abundance.**
 Leader: As we walk with Christ on the Lenten journey, let us see your way more
 clearly
All: and follow your way more faithfully.

*Hymn *Let Us Build a House* VT 36

Children’s Conversation Dale and Margo Schrag

Worship Music *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross* (arr. Gilbert Martin)
 Chancel Choir

Scripture Reading John 12:1-8 William Eash

Sermon *Savoring this Moment* Renee Reimer

*Hymn *There is a Line of Woman* VT 546

Prayers of God's People		John Kliewer
*Hymn	<i>Beyond a Dying Sun</i>	VT 416
Benediction		Renee Reimer
Benediction Response	<i>You Are Mine</i> (Christopher Aspaas)	Chancel Choir
Postlude	* You are invited to stand VT = <i>Voices Together</i>	Verlene Garber
Audio visual—Ben Lichti		
Pastors—Renee Reimer, Nathan Koontz, Todd Schlosser		

Land Acknowledgement compiled by Florence Schloneger from words by Mark Charles and VT #878

As we do on the first Sunday of each month,
we acknowledge that we worship
on the land of the Kanza, Osage, and Wichita.

We thank them for their care and respect for this land
and acknowledge the injustice of their forced removal.

We ask the Spirit to heal our histories
and find new paths of right relationships with them
and all of creation.

The flowers this morning are from the memorial service of Mary Ann Unruh Gertsen.

There will be a Mentor and Mentee event on Sunday, April 24th from 4-6pm at the North Newton pickleball court. Faith Formation will lead some Bible minute to win it games, there will be yard games and snacks available, and hopefully some fun pickleball games for all to enjoy. Reach out to your mentor or mentee and come and spend some quality time together!

Save the date for the BCMC all church retreat May 7-8 at Camp Mennoscah! Everyone is invited to spend the night, join for the day activities, or come up for Sunday morning. More information will be coming!

Women's Fellowship Announcement

April 19, 2022 @ 7:00 pm in the BCMC Fellowship Hall
Women of BCMC: It is time to gather! This is an invitation to ALL Women of BCMC. ALL who attend will receive a free birthday calendar. Contact a member of the Leadership Team (Lois Brubacher, Lois Preheim, Brenda Turner, Janet Voth) if you cannot attend, but would like a free birthday calendar.
Let's Celebrate Life!

This week at BCMC

▪ **Sunday, April 3, 2022—5th Sunday of Lent**

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)

▪ **Monday, April 4, 2022**

7 pm Facilities Committee meeting in Fellowship Hall

▪ **Tuesday, April 5, 2022**

9-11 am Community Playschool

4 pm Lent Prayers by Zoom

▪ **Wednesday, April 6, 2022**

6-8 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 7, 2022**

4 pm Lent Prayers by Zoom

6:15 pm Chancel Bells in Room B7

7 pm Church Board Meeting

▪ **Friday and Saturday, April 8-9, 2022—Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale**

Sunday, April 10—Palm Sunday

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

10:30 am Faith Formation

Easter Lillies

You are invited to share an Easter lily for the sanctuary on Easter Sunday, Apr. 17. The Worship Decoration Committee will purchase lilies. To contribute, email your information to the church office about the donor of the lily and who is to be either honored or remembered. **Place payment of \$11.00 per lily in the offering plate or bring to the church office by Apr.3.** Make checks payable to BCMC designated "Flower Fund." There will be a table at the back of the sanctuary this Sunday to sign up for a lily. Contributors may pick up lilies to take home after the Easter worship service.

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!