

Mennonite Mission Network Prayer Request: Akiko Aratani and Ray Epp are stepping back from the day-to-day responsibilities of managing the Menno Village farm in Japan and focusing on preparing the next generation of leaders and lay people in the church to practice a biblically-based theology of land stewardship. Mennonite Mission Network requests prayer for them as they write and present in workshops and conferences.

Western District Conference Prayer Request: Pray for everyone reading this to have eyes to see where God is working in the hearts of our friends and neighbors, the wisdom to ask, “In what hospitable way can I help them connect with God?” and the heart to reach out with opportunities to connect on matters of faith. – *Pastor Karen Mascho*

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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Website: bethelcollegemennonitechurch.org
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

- Pastor: Todd Schlosser—cell phone: 620-960-1718
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- Office/Facilities Manager: Monica Lichti, cell phone 316-249-9652
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- Custodian: Michael Crawford—day off Tuesday
- Music Coordinators: Barbara Thiesen and Verlene Garber
- Chancel Choir Director: Riley King Menno Singers Director:
- Chancel Bells Director: Verlene Garber Menno Ringers Director: Suzanne Burch

Bethel College Mennonite Church



October 30, 2022

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
October 30, 2022 - 9:30 a.m.

Prelude Partita on *Puer Nobis Nascitur* (Raymond H. Haan)
Karen Schlabaugh, organ

Christ Candle Lighting

Welcome and Prayer Bill Swartley

*Hymn *Summoned by the God Who Made Us* VT 1

Children's Conversation Esther Koontz

*Hymn *O Worship Our God* VT 129

Scripture Reading Isaiah 1:10-18; Luke 19:1-10 Mary Ann Boschmann

Sermon *Salvation has come to this house* Nathan Koontz

*Hymn *Beloved, God's Chosen* VT 164

Prayers of God's People

*Hymn *I Come with Joy* VT 478

People with October birthdays come forward for a blessing,
please bring a hymnal

*Birthday Blessing & Benediction Nathan Koontz

Postlude *Praise the Almighty, My Soul, Adore Him* (Jan Bender)

* You are invited to stand

VT = *Voices Together*

Audio visual—John Thiesen

Pastors—Nathan Koontz, Todd Schlosser

Welcome visitors and friends! May you sense God's presence at BCMC.
The nursery at the back of the sanctuary is available during worship for families with infants and toddlers.

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.

Much Gratitude!

Thank you so much to Bill Swartley and members of the Public Address System Committee (Ken Lamp, Ben Lichti, John Thiesen, Francis Toews) for their many hours of competent work in overseeing the installation of our new screen and for much problem-solving and practice with our system for communicating with the Credence and Company team of consultants on October 16. You are appreciated!

Do Justice, Love Mercy: Fundraising Opportunity for Peace Connections and Circle of Hope

BCMC supports the local agency Peace Connections and Circle of Hope, their relationship-based initiative that seeks to improve the financial health of community members with fewer resources. You can support this program financially by attending the annual "Celebrity Server" meal at Waters Edge in Hesston Sat., Nov. 5, between 5 and 8 p.m. The three-course meal is \$25, but all tips will go to the Circle of Hope program. Although not a "celebrity", Ada Schmidt-Tieszen from our congregation has agreed to be a Celebrity Server for the evening. See menu and details and make reservations by Oct. 31 by calling 316-284-0000, emailing info@peaceconnections.org or going to the following link: <https://www.peaceconnections.org/events>

Wednesday Evening Meals at BCMC! Nov. 2, 6 pm, in Fellowship Hall. Serving line starts at 6-6:15 pm and a welcome and blessing will be at 6:20 pm. For reservations for supper, complete this form and place in the offering or email the office. Cost is \$6/person or \$18/family per meal. Please bring your own table service. Menu for Nov. 2 is Jambalaya, Tropical fruit, Pudding dessert bar
Number attending meal _____
Name: _____

We offer sympathy to Marci Andres and her mother Reitha Klaassen and their family on the death of Marci's husband, Steven Andres October 24, 2022. Please keep Reitha, Marci, and all the family in your prayers as they grieve their loss.

Congratulations to Kate Seymour and Todd Lawrence, Nashville, TN, on the birth of Jack Warren Seymour, October 8 2022. Also congratulations to Jack's sister Ruth and Grandmother Valetta Semour!

Have you registered for "Joining Voices Together"? Bethel College's **Worship and the Arts Symposium, Sat., Nov. 12**, on campus, features resource people Bradley Kauffman, Rachel Epp Buller, Katie Graber, SaeJin Lee, Cynthia Neufeld Smith, Adam Tice and Isaac Villegas. Register at www.bethelks.edu/worship-arts-registration-2022; discount for 3 or more people from the same congregation. Inform the church office if you would like to attend this symposium.

The Library Theme for October/November is Selected Biographies. The Library Committee chose biographies that we thought you would find interesting in both the adult and children/youth sections. As always, the adult highlighted books are shelved in back of the library desk while the Everybody/Youth books are shelved on the south wall of the children/youth room. Please come in and check these out or to see what new to you puzzles are available for a donation on the west wall of the check out room or on the cart outside of the library. Happy Reading!

Abuse Prevention and Response Committee (APRC) is looking for persons to volunteer as a Care Team member. If you would like more information or feel a call to serve in this roll, email Jill Robb at adamandjillrobb@gmail.com

Mennonite Central Committee Buckets of Thanks - This Thanksgiving season, show your gratitude and provide hope to those in need by collecting relief supplies for MCC. The supplies you donate will fill a Bucket of Thanks (aka an MCC relief kit) for people affected by conflict or disaster around the world. For more information, including supply lists and a ready-to-use curriculum for children, visit: mccbuckets.org.

This Week at BCMC: October 30—November 6, 2022

Sunday, October 30

9:30 am Worship with sermon by Nathan Koontz

10:15 am Fellowship Time in the Gathering Place

10:30-11:30 am Faith Formation—Intergenerational class of pre-school through high school meets in Fellowship Hall — Adult Classes: Agape Class (Nursery); Bible Study (Rm 14); Catacombs (Rm B5); Fellowship (B7); Fine Arts (Rm 22); Issues and Christianity (Rm 23); Mosaic (Rm 20); Open Circle (Room 21); Seekers (Rm 28); Sojourners (Chapel)

YouTube link for today's worship service: https://youtu.be/_JwdlgUK9w8

5:30 pm Meal and discussion hosted by BCMC Task Group for Decolonization

Monday, October 31

10 am Library Committee meets in library

Wednesday, November 2

6 pm Wednesday Supper serving line starts at 6-6:15 pm and a welcome and blessing will be at 6:20 pm.

6:30—7:30 pm Wednesday Night Club

7:00 pm Senior High Youth Group

7:30 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal in the Sanctuary Chancel area

Thursday, November 3

9 to 11 am Community Playschool

6:30 pm Chancel Bells rehearsal in room B7

7 pm Church Board meets in Room 14

Friday, November 4

9 to 11 am Community Playschool

5 pm Dinner event in Fellowship Hall

Sunday, November 6—Stewardship Sunday

9:30 am Worship Service with sermon by Todd Schlosser; music by Chancel Choir; Kin-dom report by Lavern Stucky, Finance Committee chair

Staff Absences: Todd Schlosser is on vacation on October 29-30. Mike Crawford will be on vacation November 2-6.

Come to eat, share and learn! Many BCMC members attended the Loss of Turtle Island exercise this past Sunday in Memorial Hall. However, even if you didn't attend, please come to today's event. **Tonight at 5:30** in Fellowship Hall, a BCMC task group is hosting a sampling of foods similar to ones eaten by many Indigenous peoples. We will continue the discussion from last Sunday's event and ask ourselves what we learned and how our church can move forward. No reservation is needed. *BCMC Task Group for Decolonization*

November 13: As part of the **Joining Voices Together** Worship and Arts Symposium on Nov. 12 at Bethel College, BCMC will be hosting one of the lecturers, Dr. Katie Graber for our Sunday morning worship. She will be leading a tour of *Voices Together* through hymn sing and reflections. Please plan to attend this music-filled worship service as we raise our voices together!

We Own This Now: A drama starring Ted Swartz and Michelle Milne, will be showing three times in our surrounding area. **Proceeds above cost will go to the Kanza Heritage Society in SOME of the venues.**

- Wed., Nov. 2, 7:00, at Tabor College, Hillsboro.
- Thurs., Nov. 3, 7:00, at McPherson Church of the Brethren, McPherson.
- Sat., Nov. 5, 3:00, at Hope Mennonite Church, Wichita.

Regarding the drama: "Chris has farmed the land his grandmother found as a home in Kansas after fleeing Russia almost 100 years ago; his daughter Riley is learning more about who was on that land before her Oma arrived, and the jarring connections she has to the fate of those people. Diving into historical documents, absurd situations, and extended metaphors, the audience discovers alongside Riley and Chris how the Doctrine of Discovery (the legal framework that justifies theft of land and oppression of Indigenous Peoples) is still being used and causing harm."

Fundraiser for New Hope Shelter: The Kiko's Mexican Restaurant 1728 North Main Newton, is holding a Fundraiser for the New Hope Shelter Sun. Oct. 30 from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Kiko's is giving 100% of its sales today to the Shelter. In addition if you bring an item off the Shelter's Needs list on their Facebook page, you will receive a 10% discount on your total order. Kiko's has a full menu of authentic Mexican Food. You can eat in, drive through, or pick-up. Please call 316-847-1957.

Nov. 3 Life Enrichment: Place and time: Krehbiel Auditorium, 9:30 am.
9:30 am "Brief Overview of Disease in Harvey Co.", Skip Cowan
10:15 am Coffee Break **10:35 am** "Pioneer Bluffs: Center for Flint Hills Ranching Heritage," Lynn Smith **11:30 am** "Scenic Harvey County," Bruce Regier

Bethel College Announcements

- **Mon., Oct. 31 – Bethel College Chamber Orchestra concert**, featuring works by Grieg, Handel, Musial and more, directed by Kris Hilding, 7 p.m., Krehbiel Auditorium in Luyken Fine Arts Center
- **Fri.-Sat., Nov. 4-5 – "Old Books Made New – The Surprising Wisdom of Erasmus for Today,"** an intercollegiate symposium honoring the Mennonite Library & Archives at Bethel College and libraries everywhere. Keynote address by Greta Kroeker, Ph.D., Fri., Nov. 4, 6:30 p.m., Krehbiel Auditorium. Saturday events in Krehbiel Auditorium and via technology at Conrad Grebel University College, Eastern Mennonite University and Goshen College. See marpeck-fund.bethelks.edu/events/old-books-made-new/
- **Sat., Nov. 5 – Kauffman Museum bird walk**, 8 a.m. start time in the museum parking lot at the corner of Main and 27th streets (2801 N. Main St., North Newton 67117). Experienced birders lead a walk of 1-1.5 hours in Chisholm Park and on Sand Creek Trail.
- **Sun., Nov. 6 – "Can We Sing the Darkness to Light?":** Bethel Sings, a concert featuring all Bethel College vocal groups, Henry Waters, director, 3 p.m., Bethel College Mennonite Church
- **Tues., Nov. 8 – Bethel College Organ Recital Series** presents Tyler Boehmer, Bethany College, 7 p.m., Administration Building chapel
- **Sat., Nov. 12 – The public is invited to a Community Evensong service, 7 p.m., Memorial Hall on the Bethel College campus**, the conclusion of the Worship and the Arts Symposium. The service will consist entirely of congregational singing from the *Voices Together* hymnal, arranged around the 12 artworks found in the hymnal. Please bring your copy of *Voices Together* if you have one; there will be copies to borrow or to buy at the service.
- **Sun., Nov. 13 – KIPCOR Film Series presents John Lewis – Get in the Way**, 2 p.m., Krehbiel Auditorium. This film by Kathleen Dowdey tells the story of the late congressman and civil rights icon. Free and open to the public, with a freewill offering taken to support KIPCOR and the film series.
- **Now in the Regier Gallery in Luyken Fine Arts Center at Bethel College – "Hidden Conversations through Portraiture,"** paintings by Julia Olson, through Fri., Nov. 18 (artist reception Nov. 17). Gallery hours are Mon.-Fri., 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Sun. 2-4 p.m.

Quilter's Corner is gladly accepting donations for the Mennonite Central Committee sale which is April 14 and 15, 2023. Bring your fabric, notions, quilts and quilting supplies to the MCC Center in North Newton clearly labeled for Quilter's Corner. If questions, contact Ann Yoder Smith at 919-604-3282.