January 07, 2018

The Beginning of the Good News

Gathering Music
Welcome
Call to Worship
Prayer
* Songs
  Arise, Your Light is Come! STS 30
  In Thee is Gladness HWB 114

Of Jesus Christ

Offering Our Gifts to God
  Invitation to Offering
  Offertory
Prayer of Dedication
Sharing of Joys and Concerns
  (Please fill-in and pass the friendship sheets)
Prayer of the Congregation with Lord’s Prayer
Children’s Time

The Son of God

Scripture Reading  Mark 1:14-28
Sermon  The Good News of Jesus
* Song
  Lord You Have Come to the Lakeshore HWB 229
Communion
* Confession of Faith  (Based on Colossians 1:15-28)
* Song
  * Blessing
  * Musical Benediction

*Congregation Stands (If standing is difficult, please remain seated.)

Hymnal used in worship:  
  - HWB - Hymnal a Worship Book (Blue)
  - STJ - Sing the Journey (Green)
  - STS - Sing the Story (Purple)

Preacher: Rachel S
Worship Leader: Jennifer H
Song Leader: Gyles G
Accompanist: Jane S
Children's Time: Marshall A

Call to Worship written by Bruce Prewer

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

As followers of Jesus Christ, our mission is to
- Worship together as a community of faith,
- Invite everyone to share the gift of God's love,
- Nurture each other in the faith,
- Serve others in the spirit of Christ, and
- Proclaim His way of peace, justice and reconciliation.

WELCOME

Welcome to Faith Mennonite Church. We are glad you are with us this day.

If you need a listening assistance device or a large print bulletin, please ask an Usher.

CHILDUCARE

For children ages three (3) and under during worship

- 01/07: Alice & Henry J
- 01/14: Vicki H & Joni J
- 01/21: Verda D & Kathryn P
- 01/28: Harlan & Grace B

GREETERS

Front Door
- 01/07: Paul R
- 01/14: Paul R
- 01/21: Sara R

Back Door by Kitchen
- 01/07: Carolyn R
- 01/14: Carolyn R
- 01/21: TBD
**FAITH MISSION CIRCLE** … Will meet tomorrow (01/08/18), 7:00 pm, in the church Fellowship Hall. (Note the change in time). Ada S-T will present the program on "Trauma of Mothers and Children in Disaster." The offering will be for Kansas Mennonite Disaster Service. Check the program book for items to bring for New Hope Shelter.

**ZUMBA IS RETURNING** … After receiving a lot of feedback (from members of our congregation and attendees of the class) regarding the discontinuation of Zumba at Faith Church. Many people support having Zumba classes and after conversation with the instructor it has been decided to continue holding Zumba classes on Monday evenings. Classes will start up again Monday, January 15, 2018, and will be held from 6:00-7:00pm. Thank you to everyone for your continued support. ~ Board of Witness & Outreach

**2018 KANSAS MENNONITE RELIEF SALE (KMRS)** … Is coming! Save the dates for the 2018 KMRS, which will be celebrating 50 years on April 13 and 14, 2018, at the Kansas State Fairgrounds. My Coins Count (formerly called Penny Power) will begin January 14, 2018 whereby each Sunday at Faith we will collect your pennies, coins, and cash. Last year the KMRS collected $15,179.16 so your Coins Do Count. The dates for the 2018 KMRS Fellowship Meals will be Sunday, February 25, 2018, and Sunday March 04, 2018. A sheet will be in your box next week for you to choose to be either a host or a guest. Reservation deadline will be February 01, 2018. For more details contact Byron and Janet E.

**IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS:**

**Western District Conference** …

Pray for WDC’s Israel-Palestine Relations Task Force, as they meet this week and discern ways to join God’s work of justice and peace-making.

**BEYOND FAITH CHURCH**

**EVERYONE IS INVITED** … To the “Year of Evangelism Kick Off: Anabaptist Witness” event January 19-20, 2018, sponsored by the Western District Conference Resource Commission! Want to give someone in your congregation a gift? Pay for their registration to attend this event. It's only $30/person, or $25/person when groups of four or more register together at: http://mennowdc.org/year-of-evangelism/.

**LOOKING FOR SOMEONE** … To haul a small John Deere tractor from Bakersfield, CA to Goessel, KS for the KS MCC Sale. Contact, Jerry T if you are able to help.

**WANTED** … Good cars, trucks, tractors, motorcycles, farm machinery, etc. to donate to the KS MCC Sale - new to antique. If you are thinking of getting a new car, consider donating your trade-in to the MCC Sale as a tax deductible donation. Contact Jerry T for more information.
EVERENCE WILL CONTINUE ... Its popular retirement workshop series in 2018, starting with “Your Medicare Options on”, tomorrow (01/08/18), 6:30 pm. Attendees will learn about the various Medicare plans and what they cover; plans that supplement Medicare; and enrollment details and deadlines. The workshop will be presented by Everence staff and will be held at the Everence office (3179 N Main St, North Newton, KS). Reserve your spot soon by contacting Michelle R.

MEMORIAL BENEFIT RUN - THE NEUF ... Join friends & family of Russ N on January 13, 2018, by participating in the inaugural running of The Neuf 9K & 2 mile run. The run starts at 10:00am outside Mojo's Coffee Shop on the Bethel College campus. Russ was a former Mennonite Church USA and Hesston College employee. The run will raise funds for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society, and a scholarship is Russ' name at Hesston College. Register online through January 10, 2018, or in person on the day of the race. Read other details about the race at www.runtheneuf.neuf.ca.

OFFENDER/VICTIM MINISTRIES ... Is celebrating 45 years of restorative justice and prison ministries! Join us for our 2018 Annual Meeting Sunday, January 14 , 2018, 4:00 pm, at Shalom Mennonite Church. Come hear stories from the past year and learn about exciting initiatives to come in 2018. A light meal (faspa) will be served.

JOIN US ... Sunday, January 14, 2018, for a special screening of the film Awake: A Dream from Standing Rock at 3pm in the Luyken Fine Arts Center at Bethel College in North Newton, Kansas. The film captures the story of Native-led defiance that forever changed the fight for clean water, our environment and the future of our planet. A talk-back session will follow the film featuring film Co-Director Myron D. MCC is teaming up with Kansas Institute for Peace & Conflict Resolution (KIPCOR) for this free event. Please join us!

THE MENNONITE ... Welcomes your original submissions and contributions for our March 2018 print magazine issue and corresponding online content focusing on Spiritual resilience. Submissions are due by January 20, 2018, to Editor@TheMennonite.org. You may read a full description of the March 2018 theme here: https://themennonite.org/march-2018-call-submissions-spiritual-resilience/.

SAFEHOPE VOLUNTEER ORIENTATION ... Will be held on January 23, 2018, 5:30-7:30 pm, at 316 Oak Street, Newton. This is a great time to learn more about the agency, how you can help via volunteering, sign all necessary paperwork, and receive more information on additional training if you would like to work directly with participants. We will have light refreshments, and it will be an informal orientation for everyone to get acquainted. Please RSVP by emailing volunteer@safehope.net or by calling 316-803-1800.

REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN ... For the academic conference “Mennonites and the Holocaust,” to be held on the Bethel College campus March 16-17, 2018, with speakers and scholars from Canada, Germany, the Netherlands, Ukraine and the United States. See mla.bethelk.edu/MennosandHolocaust for more information or to register online.
Wednesday evening activities will resume on January 17, 2018, for the winter session:

~ **Meal will be served in the Fellowship Hall (6:00 pm)**
  - Sign-up to bring dessert & clean-up (clipboard in foyer)
  - Cost is $2.00 per person
  - Bring your own table service
  - Make your reservation on Sunday on the Friendship Sheets

~ **January 17-February 7**
  - 6:00 pm: Handbell Choir Rehearsal
  - 6:30 pm: Faith Kids Sing
  - 7:00 pm: Intergenerational: Getting to Know Newton

~ **February 14**
  - 6:00 pm: Handbell Choir Rehearsal
  - 6:30 pm: Faith Kids Sing
  - 7:00 pm: Ash Wednesday Service

~ **February 21-March 14**
  - 6:00 pm: Handbell Choir Rehearsal
  - 6:30 pm: Faith Kids Sing
  - 7:00 pm: Faith Adventure
  - 7:00 pm: Middle School Youth Group
  - 7:00 pm: High School Youth Group
  - 7:00 pm: Adult Study
  - 8:00 pm: Adult Choir Rehearsal
**This Week** (01/01/2018 to 01/07/2018)

**Monday**
7:00 pm Faith Mission Circle

**Tuesday**
6:00 pm Board of Worship
7:00 pm Board of Deacons
7:00 pm Board of Fellowship
7:00 pm Board of Witness & Outreach

**Wednesday**
6:00 pm Handbell Choir Rehearsal

**Thursday**
6:00 pm Special Church Council Meeting

**Saturday**
7:00 pm Popcorn in The Pit

**Sunday**
9:00 am Sunday School
10:00 am Coffee & Fellowship
10:30 am Worship

*~ Mark 1:29-39*

Please have all announcements and calendar items for next week into the church office by **noon on Wednesday**.

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**Attendance for December 31, 2017:**

- **Sunday School:** None
- **Worship:** 137

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**Board of Administration’s Contact Persons For January:**

*Mike S*

**Board of Deacons’ Contact Person For January:**

*Sara R*

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