February 24, 2019
10:30 am

*LEADING THE BODY OF CHRIST*
*The Purpose of Leadership*

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude to Worship

Call to Worship *(on screen)*

Psalm 37:1-7

Trust in the Lord and do good.

**Dwell in the land and enjoy safe pasture.**

Take delight in the Lord,

and the Lord will give you your heart's desire.

Commit your way to the Lord and trust him,

and the Lord will help you.

God will cause your righteousness to shine like the noon day sun.

*Be still before the Lord.*

Wait patiently for God to act.

Silence

Praise Hymn

STJ 13

*My Soul Is Filled With Joy* (v. 1,3,4,5)

Faithful Following


Prayer

Commitment to Follow

HWB 444

*Lord, I Want To Be A Christian*

Offering & Offertory

Prayer of Dedication

Sharing and Prayer

*(Please fill-in and pass the friendship sheets; Be sure to list # of people for Wed. evening meal)*

Children’s Story

Scripture Lesson

Ephesians 4:1-7, 11-16

Sermon

*Giving Away Power*

Prayer
LEADING THE BODY OF CHRIST is the sermon and Wednesday evening study theme through March 6. From this study and January’s gifting and ministry study, the hope is for clearer direction of next steps for discussion and possible action, and to assist the pastoral search process. The goal is for a positive, vitalized next chapter at Faith Mennonite.

February 24, 27  The Purpose of Leadership  Ephesians 4:1-16
March 3, 6  A Principle of Leadership  Matthew 9:14-17

WHERE ARE WE GOING? ... What is our vision? Pastor Congregation Relations Committee (PCRC), with the blessings of Church Council, invites you to be a part of Sunday School hour Sunday in our Fellowship Hall.

February 24 - How can we aid in healthy congregation/pastor relationships?
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**NEXT SUNDAY**


**Sermon Scripture** – Matthew 9:14-17

**Theme** – Incorporating the principle of flexibility and adaptability into our leadership practices and structure.

**BLOOD PRESSURE CHECKS**  ... Nurses will be in the Health Wellness Room immediately following worship next Sunday (03/03/19) to check blood pressures. Please stop by to have yours checked.

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**FAITH CHURCH FAMILY NEWS**

**THANK YOU** ... You, as God’s people, are faithful. You prayed, visited, sent notes and cards, encouraged us, and you cared for Howard to the end of his life. Thanks be to God and to you who helped along the way. ~ **Marlene H and Family**

**WE THANK** ... Vernon P for his many years of service as the Everence Stewardship Advocate for Faith Mennonite Church. Mike D has agreed to serve the church as our new advocate. Everence assists in integrating faith and stewardship principles with the needs of congregations and its members. Be aware of these services as they appear in our church bulletins.
**CHURCH OFFICE** ... Teresa is out of the office this week. Shari S graciously agreed to work in the office in Teresa’s absence. Office hours will remain the same; Monday-Thursday, 8:30 am-12:30 pm and 1:00-4:30 pm.

**WHO ARE THE LEADERS?** ... The Gifts Discernment Committee seeks congregational input for the names of those we regard as natural leaders in Faith Mennonite. A suggestion box is in the entry. Please consider this matter and add your suggestions to the box.

**PARENTS** ... Registrations for youth summer camps at Camp Mennoscah are due to the church office today (02/24/19). The 2019 camp calendar is posted on the bulletin board in the church foyer. Rates have increased for 2019 so we want to be sure to register everyone before the early-bird discount registration deadline of March 1, 2019. We ask you to register online (www.campmennoscah.org) this year to ensure we receive the early-bird discount. Please select “will mail check” for the payment option. To apply for the camp scholarship from the Board of Witness and Outreach (BOWO), you must print out your online registration information along with your registration confirmation email and submit both to the church office. BOWO will award scholarships amounts based on the number of applications received before the early-bird deadline. For questions, contact the church office.

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT MEAL** ... For this week (02/27/19) is Chicken and Rice with Steamed Broccoli. The cost is $2.00 per person. Make your reservation on the Friendship Sheet as it passes down the pew during Sharing Time. Sign-up sheet to bring dessert and to help clean-up is on table in foyer. Please remember to bring your own table service.

**YOU ARE INVITED** ... To attend the Kansas Mennonite Disaster Service (MDS) Annual Meeting. Do you know where Kansans have worked with MDS in the last year? Do you know where you could serve with MDS for a day, a week, or longer? Join us at Eden Mennonite Church (401 18th Ave, Moundridge, KS) today (02/24/19), at 2:00 pm, for a review of the past year and to hear about experiences of people who have served various places. For details, see Paul R.

**SERVICE OPPORTUNITY** ... Our church’s next week at New Hope Shelter is February 27-March 5, 2019. This is an opportunity to interact with folks in our community who are going through difficult times. Please consider giving your time as a volunteer or in helping to prepare and serve a meal. There will be a sign up sheet in the foyer or contact Grace B.

**SECRET PRAYER PARTNERS, MARCH 6-APRIL 21, 2019** ... Let's try something new this year for Lent. If you would like to be a secret prayer partner, please put your name in the basket in the foyer today, and next week, draw a name to pray for until Easter. After Easter you may let the person you have been praying for know who their secret prayer partner has been. Papers for your name are in the Friendship booklets. Gathering names Feb. 24-March 6; draw a name March 3-13; pray through Lent! ~ Lindsay A, Kathy G, Wilma L, Kathy S, Arlys S
SAVE THE DATE ... MennoCon19 kicks off on July 2, 2019, in Kansas City. You do not want to miss it! Registration is now open. High School Youth, especially, should make plans to attend. Please let Pastor Marshall or Teresa in the church office know if you are planning to attend. We must register by March 19, 2019, to receive the early-bird rates.

IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS:

Western District Conference ...
   Give thanks for WDC congregations offering support to immigrants and refugees who seek shelter and hope.

BEYOND FAITH CHURCH

DYCK ARBORETUM OF THE PLAINS ... Continues their 2019 Winter Lecture Series with "Conserving the Gems of Kansas" presented by Rob M, director of The Nature Conservancy in Kansas. The lecture will take place in the Prairie Pavilion at the Arboretum in Hesston on Tuesday, February 26, 2019, at 6:30 pm. The cost of the lecture is $5 per person - cash or credit card payment will be received at the door. No reservation necessary.

YOU ARE INVITED ... To a special gathering on February 28, 2019, 6:00 pm, sponsored by Mennonite Economic Development Associates (MEDA). Lila T, MEDA Field Project Manager-Tanzania, will be the special guest presenter. At the event you will hear her speak about her work in Tanzania, enjoy a delicious meal catered by The Breadbasket, and enjoy meaningful conversation. The event will be held at Faith Mennonite Church-Newton and is free of charge. Donations will gratefully be accepted! You are asked to RSVP by February 22, 2019, either by going to: https://www.meda.org/kansas-event.

EVERENCE® ... Will host an all-inclusive retirement planning workshop on Saturday, March 2, 2019, 9:00-11:30 am. Topics will include Medicare, Social Security, and retirement income planning. The workshop will be presented by Everence staff and will take place at Everence Financial Advisors (3179 N Main S., North Newton). Reserve your spot soon by contacting Michelle R.

ALL ARE WELCOME ... To join the fun at the 12th Annual Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) Comforter Blitz on March 4, 5 and 6, 2019, at the Journey Yoder Campus, one mile north of Yoder, Kansas. Times are Monday, 9:00 am-5:00 pm, Tuesday, 9:00 am-5:00 pm, and Wednesday, 9:00 am-4:00 pm. Join us and have a good time while helping others. No sewing skills are required. Lunch is available by donation each day, or you may bring your own sack lunch. Bring snacks to share during the work day. This event is hosted by Kansas Friends of MCC.

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ALL WOMEN ARE INVITED ... To the Western District Women in Mission (WDWM) Spring Supper Thursday, March 21, 2019, at First Mennonite Church-McPherson (1161 E A Ave), at 6:00 pm. The speaker will be Sheryl Wilson, Executive Director of Kansas Institute for Peace and Conflict Resolution (KIPCOR). RSVP by March 14, 2019, by emailing westerndistrictwomen@gmail.com or calling Marlene V F. Flyer is posted on the bulletin board in the foyer.

JOIN US ... For the 2nd Annual PACE Race on Saturday, April 6, 2019. Race starts at 9:00 am. Enjoy a flat, beautiful course through McPherson, KS. Proceeds from the race will benefit the Bluestem PACE Good Neighbor Fund. This fund assists participants who encounter unforeseen circumstances and assists Bluestem PACE in providing high quality services. Early registration ends March 9, 2019! Use this link: https://runsignup.com/Race/KS/McPherson/PaceRace5K to register.

QUILTERS' CORNER OPPORTUNITIES ... Volunteers are welcome and needed each Tuesday evening 7:00-9:00 pm at the Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) Center in North Newton to help sort and price items for the Sale as well as each third Saturday of the month (Mar 15) any time between 9:00 am-3:00 pm. Quilting donations are also welcome and needed i.e. quilting fabrics, quilting supplies, vintage linens, unfinished quilting projects, etc. Donations may be collected by Sale liaisons at their churches and brought to Sale meetings or brought directly to the MCC Center with the indication that they are for Quilters' Corner. If you have questions contact Ann Y S.

SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES ... The Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale invites you to join our family. By tithing a little bit of your time each year, you have an amazing opportunity to impact your world by furthering the work of Mennonite Central Committee. There is variety of committee openings including an Urgent Need Vereniki Making Committee – 2 people, Domestic Arts Verenike Booth Committee Members, FTM Sausage Baking on Saturday and New Year’s Cookie committee. See your Relief Sale Contact liaison for details on these opportunities.

BETHEL COLLEGE EVENTS - FEBRUARY 2019:

  02/28: Closing reception for Anne L and “Exhibition in a Suitcase”; 6:00-8:00 pm; Regier Gallery in Luyken Fine Arts Center-Bethel College

  03/02: Kauffman Museum First-Saturday Bird Walk; Meet at 7:30 am in the museum parking lot; experienced birders will lead a walk of 1 to 1.5 hours; Please be aware this is mostly on an unpaved trail and the terrain is sometimes sloping or steep.

  03/03: Sunday-Afternoon-at-the-Museum program: “Manipulating the Masses: Chinese Propaganda Posters,” Kris E, PhD, Spencer Museum of Art at the University of Kansas, 3:00 pm, Kauffman Museum (in connection with the special exhibit “Campaign for a New China”)

  03/08: Roxy T presents “Julia Blue”, an independent feature film (rated PG-13 for some violent situations), 7:00 pm; Krehbiel Auditorium in Luyken Fine Arts Center at Bethel College

  03/10: Bethel College Wind Ensemble and Philharmonia Orchestra joint concert; 3:00 pm; Memorial Hall-Bethel College Campus
CAMP MENNOSCAH ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. It’s time for DESSERT! We’re holding the annual Hymn Sing and Dessert Auction at Bethel College Mennonite Church, North Newton, today (02/24/19), 4:00-6:00 pm. We’ll be celebrating and raising funds for our summer staff who provide mentoring relationships and faith formation, which is what camp is all about.

2. The Scrapbook and Crafts Retreats are waiting for you! There are still openings for March 8-10 and March 15-17. The weekends are chock-full of time for you to relax, walk around camp grounds, talk to other creative folks, and join in devotions.

3. Refill your Soul! The Youth Volunteer Weekend at Camp Mennonah is March 15-16 and youth in grades 7-12 are heartily welcomed. There will be singing, worship, s’mores, service projects, and likely some silliness.

4. Online registration for Summer Youth Camps at Camp Mennonoscash is open! In fact, registration is open for all upcoming camps and retreats, so power up your computer and register for all sorts of relaxation and fun!

5. See the flyers posted on the bulletin board in the church foyer for more camp events and details.

WHAT CAN UNWELCOMED IMMIGRANTS TEACH THE CHURCH ABOUT LOVE?
Join the immersion experience with immigrants, “LOVE CROSSES BORDERS” to find out. July 28-August 3, 2019. Mennonite Men will journey to Georgia and connect with Casa Alterna, a hospitality house for first-wave immigrant neighbors, mostly from Guatemala. You will hear testimonies, visit the national Memorial for Peace and Justice, hike Pine Mountain Trail and much more. For more information, see flyer and info/registration sheet on the bulletin board and table in the foyer.
This Week 02/25/2019 to 03/03/2019

Tuesday

6:30 pm Church Council

Wednesday

7:30 am Ladies’ Breakfast @ The Breadbasket
6:00 pm Wednesday Meal
6:00 pm Handbell Choir Rehearsal
6:30 pm Adult Study
6:30 pm Faith Adventure (Gr. K-4)
6:30 pm MS Youth Group (Gr. 5-8)
7:00 pm HS Youth Group (Gr. 9-12)
8:00 pm Adult Choir

Thursday

1:30 pm Faith Church Coffee Time @ Schowalter Villa (Partners’ Parlor)
6:00 pm MEDA Special Event-Faith Fellowship Hall (BE)

Sunday

9:00 am Sunday School
9:00 am Where Are We Going? Class for All Adults
9:00-9:15 am Faith Kids Sing (Children’s Sunday School will follow)
10:00 am Coffee & Fellowship
10:30 am Worship
11:45 am Blood Pressure Checks

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

Attendance for February 20, 2018
Sunday School: 75
Worship: 141

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